

FORM 16

HOUSING COST IMPACT STATEMENT

This Statement shall be completed only if the agency marks a box(es) in #1 based on a model code developed by a national or international organization of trade professionals.

1. Our agency has determined that the proposed rule(s) prescribe new standard(s) or requirement(s) for building or remodeling a residential structure with regard to (*check all that apply*):

- Electrical systems
- Plumbing systems
- Mechanical systems
- Energy conservation
- Fire prevention
- Other

2. Briefly describe the standard(s) and requirement(s):

Administrative rules reflect the updates to the state plumbing code as amended by the Plumbing Commission.

3. Provide a brief discussion of the necessity of each standard or requirement:

The state plumbing code is necessary to keep the citizens of our state and their property safe from the hazards associated with unsafe drinking water and unsafe waste disposal facilities. It is also the responsibility of the Plumbing Commission to comply with SDCL §§ 36-25-15 and 36-25-15.1.

4. Provide the average estimated cost (i.e., total cost to the consumer of all materials, labor, and taxes) of compliance, per dwelling unit, with each standard or requirement:

The average estimated cost difference with this proposed rule change is \$0.

5. Provide the name, city of residence, and licensed trade of three licensed contractors or other applicable building trades professionals operating in the state consulted on the estimate, and their estimates:

i. Name: Brett Wheelhouse City: Pierre Licensed Trade: Plumbing Contractor


- Cost estimate of compliance: \$0
- Explanation of estimate: There have not been any changes to the code to affect the cost of plumbing for this type of structure.

Signature: Brett Wheelhouse
Brett Wheelhouse (Apr 2, 2026 17:38:53 CDT)

Date: 04/02/2026

ii. Name: Tom Hines City: Wentworth Licensed Trade: Plumbing Contractor

- Cost estimate of compliance: \$0
- Explanation of estimate: There is not one thing in this new code that will have any cost effect whatsoever on the plumbing in an average new home. Once a new home has 4 or more bathrooms then the cost could actually decrease. Amendment number 38 that will allow schedule 80 CPVC used on commercial kitchens is a cost saving compared to the requirement in the 2015 code which required cast-iron. The 2024 code has changed the method of calculating the size of water piping. The new method is much less complicated and much easier for the plumber to follow, which should lead to less mistakes. The 2024 code also clarified certain areas of the code that left too much room for interpretation and now is much clearer.

Signature:  Date: _____
Tom Hines (Apr 2, 2026 20:08:21 CDT)

iii. Name: Jesse Lilleskov City: Rapid City Licensed Trade: Plumbing Contractor

- Cost estimate of compliance: \$
- Explanation of estimate: I do not see any amendments to the 2024 code that would cost more for construction.

Signature:  Date: 04/03/2026
Jesse Lilleskov (Apr 3, 2026 06:43:23 MDT)

6. This statement was published on the agency's website starting on the following date: _____ at the following url: <https://dlr.sd.gov/plumbing>.

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[Date]


Marcia Hultman, Cabinet Secretary

Department of Labor and Regulation

This Housing Cost Impact Statement must be signed by the head of the agency or the presiding officer of the board or commission empowered to adopt rules.

A general explanation must be provided for each proposed rule or rule amendment. For multiple proposed rules with a single purpose and impact, only one explanation is required.

"Residential structure" means any one-family dwelling, two-family dwelling, or townhouse not more than three stories above grade.