

HOUSE BILL NO. 5144

October 28, 2025, Introduced by Reps. Byrnes, Glanville, Neyer, Schmaltz, Wooden, Arbit, Breen, Conlin, Herzberg, T. Carter, O'Neal and Rheingans and referred to Committee on Regulatory Reform.

A bill to amend 1972 PA 230, entitled
"Stille-DeRossett-Hale single state construction code act,"
by amending section 10 (MCL 125.1510), as amended by 2016 PA 409.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 10. (1) Except as otherwise provided in the code, before
2 construction of a building or structure, the owner, or the owner's
3 builder, architect, engineer, **interior designer that prepares**
4 **interior technical submissions in the practice of interior design,**
5 or agent, shall submit an application in writing to the appropriate

1 enforcing agency for a building permit. The application ~~shall~~**must**
2 be on a form prescribed by the commission and ~~shall~~**must** be
3 accompanied by payment of the fee established by the enforcing
4 agency. The application ~~shall~~**must** contain a detailed statement in
5 writing, verified by affidavit of the individual making it, of the
6 specifications for the building or structure, and full and complete
7 copies of the plans drawn to scale of the proposed work. A site
8 plan showing the dimensions, and the location of the proposed
9 building or structure and other buildings or structures on the same
10 premises, ~~shall~~**must** be submitted with the application. The
11 application ~~shall~~**must** state in full the name and residence, by
12 street and number, of the owner in fee of the land on which the
13 building or structure will be constructed, and the purposes for
14 which it will be used.

15 (2) If construction is proposed to be undertaken by a person
16 other than the owner of the land in fee, the statement ~~shall~~**must**
17 contain the full name and residence, by street and number, of the
18 owner and also of the person proposing the construction. The
19 affidavit ~~shall~~**must** state that the specifications and plans are
20 true and complete and contain a correct description of the building
21 or structure, lot or parcel, and proposed work. The statements and
22 affidavits may be made by an owner, or the owner's attorney, agent,
23 engineer, architect, **interior designer that prepares interior**
24 **technical submissions in the practice of interior design**, or
25 builder, by the person ~~who~~**that** proposes to make the construction
26 or alteration, or by that person's agent, engineer, architect, or
27 builder. A person ~~shall~~**is** not ~~be~~ recognized as the agent,
28 attorney, engineer, architect, **interior designer that prepares**
29 **interior technical submissions in the practice of interior design**,

1 or builder of another person unless the person seeking recognition
 2 files with the enforcing agency a written instrument ~~, which shall~~
 3 ~~be~~ **that is** an architectural, engineering, or construction contract,
 4 power of attorney, or letter of authorization signed by that other
 5 person ~~designating~~ **that designates** the person seeking recognition
 6 as the agent, attorney, architect, engineer, **interior designer that**
 7 **prepares interior technical submissions in the practice of interior**
 8 **design**, or builder and, in case of a residential builder or
 9 maintenance and alteration contractor, architect, or engineer,
 10 ~~setting forth~~ **providing** the license number of the person seeking
 11 recognition and the expiration date of the license.

12 (3) A person licensed or required to be licensed as a
 13 residential builder or residential maintenance and alteration
 14 contractor under **article 24 of** the occupational code, 1980 PA 299,
 15 ~~MCL 339.101 to 339.2919,~~ **339.2401 to 339.2412**, a plumbing
 16 contractor or master or ~~journeyman~~ **journey** plumber under article 11
 17 of the skilled trades regulation act, **2016 PA 407**, MCL 339.6101 to
 18 339.6133, an electrical contractor, master electrician, or
 19 electrical journeyman under article 7 of the skilled trades
 20 regulation act, **2016 PA 407**, MCL 339.5701 to 339.5739, or ~~pursuant~~
 21 ~~to~~ a local ordinance, **an interior designer that prepares interior**
 22 **technical submissions in the practice of interior design under**
 23 **article 20A of the occupational code, 1980 PA 299, MCL 339.2015 to**
 24 **339.2025**, or a mechanical contractor under article 8 of the skilled
 25 trades regulation act, **2016 PA 407**, MCL 339.5801 to 339.5819, who
 26 applies for a building permit to perform work on a residential
 27 building or a residential structure shall, in addition to any other
 28 information required ~~pursuant to~~ **under** this act, provide on the
 29 building permit application all of the following information:

(a) The occupational license number of the applicant and the expiration date of the occupational license.

(b) One of the following:

(i) ~~The~~ **If the applicant is required to be insured under the worker's disability compensation act of 1969, 1969 PA 317, MCL 418.101 to 418.941, the** name of each carrier providing worker's disability compensation insurance to the applicant. ~~if the applicant is required to be insured pursuant to the worker's disability compensation act of 1969, 1969 PA 317, MCL 418.101 to 418.941.~~

(ii) ~~The~~ **If the applicant is not required to be insured under the worker's disability compensation act of 1969, 1969 PA 317, MCL 418.101 to 418.941, the** reasons for exemption from the requirement to be insured. ~~if the applicant is not required to be insured under the worker's disability compensation act of 1969, 1969 PA 317, MCL 418.101 to 418.941.~~

(c) One of the following:

(i) ~~The~~ **If the applicant is required to have an employer identification number under section 6109 of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26 USC 6109, the** employer identification number. ~~, if the applicant is required to have an employer identification number pursuant to section 6109 of the internal revenue code, 26 USC 6109.~~

(ii) ~~The~~ **If the applicant is not required to have an employer identification number under section 6109 of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26 USC 6109, the** reasons for exemption from the requirement to have an employer identification number ~~pursuant to~~ **under** section 6109 of the internal revenue code of 1986, 26 USC 6109. ~~, if the applicant is not required to have an employer identification number pursuant to that section.~~

(d) One of the following:

(i) ~~The~~ **If the applicant is required to make contributions under the Michigan employment security act, 1936 (Ex Sess) PA 1, MCL 421.1 to 421.75, the** Michigan employment security commission employer number. ~~, if the applicant is required to make contributions pursuant to the Michigan employment security act, 1936 (Ex Sess) PA 1, MCL 421.1 to 421.75.~~

(ii) If the applicant is not required to make contributions under the Michigan employment security act, 1936 (Ex Sess) PA 1, MCL 421.1 to 421.75, the reasons for ~~exemptions~~ **exemption** from the requirement to make contributions. ~~under the Michigan employment security act, 1936 (Ex Sess) PA 1, MCL 421.1 to 421.75.~~

(4) The building permit application form ~~shall~~ **must** contain the following statement in 8-point boldfaced type immediately above the location for the applicant's signature:

"Section 23a of the ~~Stille-DeRossett-Hale~~ **single** state construction code act, ~~of 1972,~~ 1972 PA 230, MCL 125.1523a, prohibits a person from conspiring to circumvent the licensing requirements of this state ~~relating to~~ **for** persons ~~who~~ **that** are to perform work on a residential building or a residential structure. Violators of section 23a are ~~subjected~~ **subject** to civil fines."

(5) The application for a building permit ~~shall~~ **must** be filed with the enforcing agency and the application and any other writing prepared, owned, used, in the possession of, or retained by the enforcing agency in the performance of an official function ~~shall~~ **must** be made available to the public in compliance with the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231 to 15.246. An application ~~shall~~ **must** not be removed from the custody of the enforcing agency after a building permit has been issued.

1 (6) This section ~~shall~~**must** be construed to allow the
2 imposition of requirements in the code, or in other laws or
3 ordinances, for additional permits for particular kinds of work,
4 including plumbing and electrical, or in other specified
5 situations. The requirements of the code may provide for issuance
6 of **a** construction ~~permits~~**permit** for **a** certain ~~of the systems~~
7 **system** of a structure and allow construction to commence on ~~those~~
8 ~~systems~~**that system** **if** approved under ~~that~~**the** permit even though
9 the design and approval of all the systems of the structure have
10 not been completed and subsequent construction permits have not
11 been issued.

12 (7) A building permit is not required for ordinary repairs of
13 a building or structure.

14 (8) A building permit is not required for a building
15 incidental to the use for agricultural purposes of the land on
16 which the building is located if the building is not used in the
17 business of retail trade.

18 (9) A qualifying roadside stand is exempt from the plumbing
19 fixture requirements of this act and the code and is not required
20 to have electric power. ~~However, a~~**A** qualifying roadside stand that
21 has electric power must comply with the electrical code. This
22 subsection does not exempt a qualifying roadside stand from a
23 requirement to obtain a building permit. As used in this
24 subsection, "qualifying roadside stand" means a roadside stand that
25 meets all of the following requirements:

26 (a) Is used only for seasonal retail trade in agricultural
27 products.

28 (b) At least 50% of the agricultural products offered for sale
29 at the roadside stand are produced on a farm that is owned or

1 controlled by the person ~~who~~**that** owns the roadside stand.

2 (c) Is not larger than 400 square feet.

3 (d) Is securely anchored to the ground.

4 (10) A tent that meets the requirements of subsection (9)(a),
5 (b), and (c) is exempt from this act and the code.

6 **(11) As used in this section:**

7 (a) "Interior designer" means that term as defined in section
8 2015 of the occupational code, 1980 PA 299, MCL 339.2015.

9 (b) "Interior technical submission" means that term as defined
10 in section 2015 of the occupational code, 1980 PA 299, MCL
11 339.2015.

12 (c) "Practice of interior design" means that term as defined
13 in section 2015 of the occupational code, 1980 PA 299, MCL
14 339.2015.

15 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
16 unless House Bill No. 5142 (request no. H01671'25) of the 103rd
17 Legislature is enacted into law.