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- 4 Adopted Rules Governing Amendments to the State Building Code
- 5 entitled Proposed Optional Appendix E Automatic Fire Suppression
- 6 Systems

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- 8 Rule as Adopted
- 9 2 MCAR S 1.10020 Optional provisions for installation of
- 10 on-premises fire suppression systems.
- 11 A. Purpose. This rule authorizes optional provisions for
- 12 the installation of on-premises fire suppression systems in new
- 13 construction. It is intended to alleviate increasing demands
- 14 for additional fire suppression resources by allowing a
- 15 municipality to adopt the optional provisions of this rule based
- 16 on its local fire suppression capabilities.
- 17 B. Municipal option. The sprinkler system requirements in
- 18 C. may be adopted without change by a municipality. If they are
- 19 adopted, the requirements are applicable throughout the
- 20 municipality for new buildings, additions to buildings, and
- 21 buildings for which the occupancy classification is changed.
- 22 C. Requirements. Automatic sprinkler systems must be
- 23 installed and maintained in operable condition in buildings in
- 24 the occupancy classifications listed in 1.-12. This requirement
- 25 is in addition to other minimum requirements set in the state
- 26 building code. The height and area increases provided for in
- 27 sections 506 and 507 of the Uniform Building Code, as adopted in
- 28 the state building code may-be-applied are applicable.
- Group A-1 occupancies.
- 30 2. Group A-2 occupancies with an occupant load of 300 or
- 31 more.
- 32 3. Group A-2.1 occupancies.
- Group B-l service stations with 3,000 or more gross sq.
- 34 ft. of area, not including canopies.
- 35 5. Group B-1 parking garages with 5,000 or more gross sq.
- 36 ft. of area.

- 6. Group B-2 offices and post-secondary classrooms with
- 2 8,500 or more gross sq. ft. of area or three or more stories in
- 3 height.
- 4 7. Group B-2 retail, warehouse, or manufacturing areas
- 5 with 2,000 or more gross sq. ft. of area or three or more
- 6 stories in height.
- 7 8. Group E-1 and E-2 occupancies with 8,500 or more gross
- 8 sq. ft. in area or two or more stories in height, except for
- 9 minor additions that do not increase the occupant load or
- 10 significantly increase the fire load.
- 9. Group E-3 occupancies with an occupant load of 30 or
- 12 more.
- 13 10. Group H-4 occupancies with 3,000 or more gross sq. ft.
- 14 of area.
- 15 ll. Group R-l apartment houses with 8,500 or more gross
- 16 sq. ft. of area or with dwelling units on three or more floors,
- 17 except that when they are not required by Uniform Building Code,
- 18 sections 1807 or 1907, or other provisions of the state building
- 19 code, automatic sprinkler systems within dwelling units in
- 20 apartment occupancies are considered complete when protection is
- 21 provided in all habitable rooms. Building officials, in
- 22 concurrence with their fire chiefs, may accept alternate systems
- 23 not-fully-complying which have fire protection capabilities
- 24 equivalent to systems which comply with Standard 38-1 of the
- 25 Uniform Building Code.
- 26 12. Group R-1 hotels and motels with 8,500 or more gross
- 27 sq. ft. of area or with guest rooms on three or more floors.