

defined. This subsection, therefore, sets forth, under the definition of "provide plumbing services", those activities that are restricted to an individual who is licensed under this title. The definition is derived chiefly from the definition of "plumbing" that is used in the 1987 National Standard Plumbing Code (NSPC) and in COMAR 09.20.02.01. Several other definitions of "plumber" and "plumbing" have been consulted.

(I) STATE PLUMBING CODE.

"STATE PLUMBING CODE" MEANS THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE SECRETARY, AS AMENDED BY THE BOARD, TO PROVIDE STANDARDS THAT:

- (1) ARE BASED ON PRINCIPLES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SANITATION AND SAFETY; AND
- (2) PROVIDE FOR PROPERLY DESIGNED, ACCEPTABLY INSTALLED, AND ADEQUATELY MAINTAINED PLUMBING SYSTEMS.

COMMITTEE COMMENT: This subsection is new language derived from the first and third sentences of former Art. 56, § 444(a).

The former requirement that the Secretary adopt "on or before January 1, 1972, ... up-to-date plumbing regulations" is deleted as obsolete.

As to the rulemaking authority of the Board, see § 3-205 of this title.

As to the authority of the Secretary, see § 3-210 of this title.

Defined terms: "Board" § 3-101
"Secretary" § 1-101

3-102. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.

THE PURPOSES OF THIS TITLE ARE TO:

- (1) PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF THE POTABLE WATER SUPPLY;
- (2) PROVIDE FOR THE EFFICIENT AND SAFE DISCHARGE OF STORM DRAINAGE AND SANITARY DRAINAGE; AND
- (3) ENSURE THAT QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS CARRY OUT ITEMS (1) AND (2) OF THIS SECTION.