



Department of Labor and Industry rulemaking docket

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Exempt Temporary Rules Modifying a Means of Egress Regulation Relating to Stairway Width in the International Residential Building Code, Minnesota Rules, Part 1309.0311, subpart 2		
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Published notices and comment periods	<p>This is a good cause exempt rulemaking concerning an amendment to the recently amended Minnesota Residential Building Code, Chapter 1309 (39 <i>State Register</i> 91, July 28, 2014).</p> <p>On November 20, 2014, and November 24, 2014, respectively, and as required by Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388, the Department mailed and emailed a Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Under the Good Cause Exemption by United States mail or e-mail. The Department is not required to publish this Notice in the State Register. To view the notice click here: http://www.dli.mn.gov/pdf/docket/1309-0311notice.pdf</p> <p>Interested parties may submit comment to the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) until 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 3, 2014. The Department requests that any persons submitting comment to OAH also submit a copy of the comment to the contact person identified above.</p>	
Availability of rule draft(s)	To review the proposed exempt rules click here: http://www.dli.mn.gov/pdf/docket/1309-0311rule.pdf	
Requests for hearing; Date and place of hearing	Not Applicable.	
Timetable/status of the rule proceeding; agency determinations.	<p>The Department adopted rules under the good cause exemption of Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388, to amend Minnesota Rules, part 1309.0311, subpart 2 (39 <i>State Register</i> 91, July 28, 2014), to reinstate 2012 IRC Subsection R311.7.1, Stairway Width, which was inadvertently deleted by the recent amendment of Minnesota Rules, Chapter 1309, the Minnesota State Residential Building Code. Because uniform stairway width requirements for dwellings regulated by the International Residential Code (IRC) and State Building Code are essential for the orderly, safe, and unobstructed egress of occupants, firefighters and emergency response personnel to and from these structures during emergencies, the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry has determined that failure to amend Chapter 1309 to correct the</p>	

	<p>inadvertent deletion of subsection R311.7.1's uniform stairway width requirements by its effective date will seriously and negatively affect public safety, health and welfare. Accordingly, the Department proposes to use the good cause exempt rulemaking provisions of Minnesota Statutes, section 14.388, to amend Minnesota Rules, part 1309.0311, subpart 2, to efficiently and expediently reinstate the IRC's uniform stairway width requirements back into Minnesota's Residential Building Code by its effective date of January 24, 2015, or as soon thereafter as possible.</p> <p>The Department mailed and emailed copies of the Notice and proposed rule language to interested parties on November 20, 2014, and November 24, 2014, respectively. The comment period ends at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 3, 2014.</p> <p>The Department requested the OAH to review the proposed exempt rule for legality immediately following the end of the comment period.</p>
<p>Date the rule was filed with Secretary of State, and the effective date of the rule as adopted.</p>	<p>This rule was filed with the Secretary of State's Office on December 22, 2014. The Adopted Exempt Temporary Rules can be viewed at: http://www.dli.mn.gov/PDF/docket/1309-0311temp.pdf. The link to the Adopted Exempt Temporary Rule as published in the State Register can be viewed at: http://www.comm.media.state.mn.us/bookstore/stateregister/39_27.pdf</p>