

7. An explanation of why the interim rule is necessary, including documentary evidence to prove that the agency is acting in accordance with RSA 541-A:19, I, and is not adopting an interim rule solely to avoid the time periods imposed in RSA 541-A. If the rules are being proposed to implement a state statute for the first time, identify the statute and/or relevant session law being implemented pursuant to RSA 541-A:19, I(a).

**The Mechanical Licensing Board (Board) proposes to readopt with amendment Mec 304.04 on required supporting materials for an initial application for licensure, as an interim rule, pursuant to RSA 541-A:19, I(a), to allow applicants for a journeyman plumbing license to document the completion of their plumbing apprenticeship by submitting a signed affidavit from their sponsor, and allow applicants for a plumbing apprentice license to submit a letter signed by the master plumber sponsoring the applicant, affirming that the sponsor will either register the applicant in an approved apprentice program or conduct the apprentice program pursuant Board's standards, as proposed in Mec 305.01. Pursuant to RSA 153:27-a., II(b) the Board shall review and approve educational programs and providers.**

**The Board proposes to readopt with amendment Mec 305.01 on eligibility requirements for initial individual plumbing licensure, as an interim rule, to specify the requirements for apprenticeships conducted by a sponsoring plumber.**

8. A description of the people, enterprises, and government agencies affected by the rule.

**Licensed plumbers, government agencies and entities that employ plumbing apprentices, and individuals seeking licensure as a plumbing apprentice are affected by the proposed rule.**

9. Agency form(s) as required by RSA 541-A:19, IV-a which this rule incorporates by reference or whose requirements are set forth in the rule pursuant to RSA 541-A:19-b.

**Not applicable.**

10. The fiscal impact statement prepared by the Legislative Budget Assistant, if required by RSA 541-A:19, II. See Section 3.2 of Chapter 3 of the Drafting and Procedure Manual for Administrative Rules.