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1 Subdivision 1. Composition. Establishes a Plumbing Board of 11 voting members who must be residents of the state appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate. The commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry (DOLI) or the commissioner's designee shall serve as a nonvoting member. Initial terms are generally four years with reappointments made for three-year terms. The board shall consist of: two municipal pluming inspectors; one licensed mechanical engineer; two members who are commercial plumbing contractors, or their representatives, with one from the metro area and one from greater Minnesota; two members who are residential plumbing contractors or contractor representatives, with one from the metro area and one from greater Minnesota; two members who are plumbing journeypersons engage in commercial plumbing system installation, with one from the metro area and one from greater Minnesota; and two members who are plumbing journeypersons engaged in residential plumbing systems installation, with one from the metro area and one from greater Minnesota. All members except for the licensed mechanical engineer must possess a current Minnesota plumbing license.

Subd. 2. Powers. The board shall have the power to: elect officers; specify the plumbing code for the state; maintain a review process regarding complaints, code amendments, code compliance and code clarifications; adopt necessary rules; and pay expenses related to

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board duties.

Subd. 3. Fees and finances. The board must submit an annual budget to the commissioner of DOLI. The commissioner shall collect fees necessary for the operation and continuance of the board. The commissioner is responsible for the enforcement of the codes and licensing requirements determined by the board. The board shall set the license and certification fees.