

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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As Engrossed: H2/19/07

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1456

5 By: Representatives Hoyt, Reynolds, Burris, Anderson, Berry, Breedlove, J. Brown, Cheatham,  
6 Cornwell, L. Cowling, D. Evans, L. Evans, Everett, Garner, Gaskill, George, Glidewell, Hall, Hardwick,  
7 Hawkins, House, Hyde, Key, Kidd, King, Overbey, Patterson, Powers, S. Prater, Ragland, Rosenbaum,  
8 Saunders, Stewart, Webb, Wills, Wyatt  
9 By: Senator Lavery  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

12 AN ACT TO ALLOW THE USE OF NEWER, MORE FLEXIBLE  
13 PLASTIC PIPE FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION PIPING UNDER  
14 CONCRETE SLABS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

17 AN ACT TO ALLOW THE USE OF NEWER, MORE  
18 FLEXIBLE PLASTIC PIPE FOR WATER  
19 DISTRIBUTION PIPING UNDER CONCRETE  
20 SLABS.  
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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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26 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 17, Chapter 38, Subchapter 1 is amended  
27 to add an additional section to read as follows:

28 17-38-106. Water distribution piping under concrete slabs.

29 (a)(1) Inaccessible water distribution piping under concrete slabs may  
30 be cross-linked Polyethylene PEX (SDR9) pipe.

31 (2) Cross-linked Polyethylene PEX (SDR9) pipe shall meet ASTM F-  
32 876/F-877, and NSP standards 14 and 61.  
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34 SECTION 2. If the 2006 State Plumbing Code includes the same  
35 provisions as in SECTION 1 of this act, this act expires on the effective  
36 date of the 2006 State Plumbing Code.



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SECTION 3. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas that ongoing construction projects will be slowed and their costs increased until PEX pipe is approved for installation under concrete slabs; that proposed construction projects will be on hold and their costs increased until PEX pipe is approved for installation under concrete slabs; and that this act is necessary because the construction industry and prospective home owners will suffer irreparable harm until this act becomes effective. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this act being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall become effective on June 1, 2007.

/s/ Hoyt, et al