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March 5, 2003

Nevada State Senate
Human Resources & Facilities Committee
Attn: Honorable Raymond Rawson, Chair

RE: Senate Bill 115

Dear Chairman Rawson and Committee Members,

This letter is to express concerns regarding Senate Bill 115.

I am the Building & Fire Safety Director for the City of Henderson. In addition, I am the current chairman of the Southern Nevada Building Officials (SNBO) which consists of the building officials from 6 jurisdictions in the Las Vegas region. As local building officials, SNBO members are responsible for enforcement of the State Plumbing Code at the local level for other than State-owned buildings.

The SNBO members believe local jurisdictions should be free to adopt that plumbing code that best meets the needs of local jurisdictions, regardless of the plumbing code adopted by the State for State-owned building. Unfortunately, SB115 would retain existing NRS language that mandates local jurisdictions adopt the same plumbing code as the State, as well as existing requirements that the State Public Works Board approve all local plumbing code amendments before they can be adopted at the local level. We respectfully ask the Committee to consider removing those provisions of Chapter 444 that restrict the ability of local jurisdictions to adopt the plumbing code that best meets the needs of the residents of those jurisdictions.

In addition, SB115 does not address outdated provisions of NRS Chapter 444. Specifically, Section 10 of the bill would retain current NRS 447.185 language that references the *Uniform Building Code*. The *Uniform Building Code* is no longer being promulgated by its publisher and has been replaced by the *International Building Code*

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published by the International Code Council. We respectfully submit that SB115 should be amended to delete the reference in NRS 446.185 to the outdated Uniform Building Code.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael W. Bouse". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Michael W. Bouse, Director

cc: SNBO Members