

AMENDMENTS TO 274

Introduced by McDonald, 41

1           1. Strike the original sections and all amendments  
2 thereto and insert the following new sections:

3           Section 1. (1) The Legislature finds it is necessary that  
4 a leak check be performed following an interruption of service of  
5 a liquefied petroleum gas vapor service system to ensure safe and  
6 proper operation. Further, the Legislature finds that a leak check  
7 must be performed by a qualified service technician.

8           (2) It is the intent of the Legislature to create a  
9 mechanism that will educate users of liquefied petroleum gas of  
10 the requirements for a leak check when an interruption of service  
11 occurs.

12           (3) For purposes of this section:

13           (a) Interruption of service means the gas supply to a  
14 liquefied petroleum gas vapor service system is turned off;

15           (b) Leak check means an operation performed on a complete  
16 liquefied petroleum gas piping system and the connection equipment  
17 to verify that the liquefied petroleum gas vapor service system  
18 does not leak;

19           (c) Liquefied petroleum gas provider means any person  
20 or entity engaged in the business of supplying, handling,  
21 transporting, or selling at retail liquefied petroleum gas in this  
22 state; and

23           (d) Liquefied petroleum gas vapor service system means

1 an installation with a maximum operating pressure of one hundred  
2 twenty-five pounds per square inch or less and includes, but is  
3 not limited to, the container assembly, pressure regulator or  
4 regulators, piping system, gas utilization equipment and components  
5 thereof, and venting system in residential, commercial, or  
6 institutional installations. Liquefied petroleum gas vapor service  
7 system does not include:

8 (i) Portable liquefied petroleum gas appliances and  
9 equipment of all types that are not connected to a fixed-fuel  
10 piping system;

11 (ii) Farm appliances and equipment, including, but not  
12 limited to, dryers and irrigation equipment;

13 (iii) Liquefied petroleum gas equipment for vaporization,  
14 gas mixing, and gas manufacturing;

15 (iv) Liquefied petroleum gas piping for buildings under  
16 construction or renovations that is not to become part of the  
17 permanent building piping system, such as temporary fixed piping  
18 for building heat; or

19 (v) Fuel gas system engines, including, but not limited  
20 to tractors, mowers, trucks, and recreational vehicles.

21 (4) The liquefied petroleum gas provider shall affix a  
22 container warning label on each tank supplying liquefied petroleum  
23 gas to a liquefied petroleum gas vapor service system. The  
24 container warning label shall be affixed near the tank shutoff.

25 (5) The container warning label required by subsection  
26 (4) of this section shall include this warning:

27 WARNING: Do Not Open Container Shutoff Valve! If this

1 valve is turned off for any reason, the National Fuel Gas Code  
2 (NFPA 54) requires a leak check of the system serviced by the  
3 container at the time the valve is turned back on. The leak  
4 check must be conducted by a qualified service technician. Do Not  
5 Attempt To Open The Valve Yourself! Failure to follow this warning  
6 may result in the ignition of leaking gas, causing serious and  
7 potentially fatal injury, fire, or explosion.

8 The container warning label shall include the statutory  
9 reference to this section.

10 (6) If the container warning label is affixed near the  
11 tank shutoff as required by subsection (4) of this section and  
12 the liquefied petroleum gas vapor service system is turned on  
13 prior to a leak check by a qualified service technician approved  
14 by the liquefied petroleum gas provider, the liquefied petroleum  
15 gas provider shall not be liable for any damage, injury, or  
16 death if the proximate cause of the damage, injury, or death was  
17 the negligence of a person or persons other than the liquefied  
18 petroleum gas provider.

19 Sec. 2. This act becomes operative on July 1, 2008.