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## RECENT CHANGE TO SPRINKLER RULES CONCERNING EXTENSION OF RME-I LICENSING REQUIREMENTS

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The Texas Department of Insurance sent an adoption order to the Texas Register pertaining to a change of the Fire Sprinkler Rules section §34.716(c). This order is expected to be printed in the March 14, 2008, issue of the Texas Register. Currently the inspection, test and maintenance service of a fire protection sprinkler system, except for a one- and two-family dwelling or an underground fire main, must be performed by an individual holding a current RME-General Inspector or RME-General license beginning January 1, 2008. This change extends the date from January 1, 2008 to January 1, 2009. This adoption order will take effect on March 23, 2008.

After March 14, 2008, you can read the proposal in the Texas Register. Go to <u>http://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/index.shtml</u> and click on either "pdf" or "html" to the right side of "Current Issue (March 14, 2008)." Note: It WON'T be there until after March 14, 2008.

OR

You can read the adoption order now, as it was sent to the Texas Register, at the TDI Web site: <u>http://www.tdi.state.tx.us/rules/2007/parules.html.</u> Scroll down to "Fire Sprinkler Rules" and click on the blue underlined <u>03/03/08</u> under the column "adoption filed" in the box to the right of "Fire Sprinkler Rules."