California Building Standards Commission
Attn: Dave Wall, Executive Director
2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130
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Dear Sir,

I am writing to you to express my concern over the recent news that you might be removing the restrictions on installing plastic pipes and fittings in hospitals, nursing homes, and other public facilities. Plastic pipe and fittings are very dangerous in a fire. Plastic gives off toxic fumes when it burns and spreads fire through a building even faster which all means a much greater risk to public health and safety.

Cast iron pipe and fittings do not give off fumes in a fire and do not burn. Also, cast iron pipe and fittings are made from recycled materials while plastic is not.

I am asking the California Building Standards Commission to keep in mind that the public's health and safety should be the number one concern. Please do not allow the installation of plastic pipe and fittings in the building of these public facilities.

Sincerely,

Robin Hengin