



**THE SENATE**  
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Dear Chair Haadsma,

I was proud to sponsor SB 740 – currently there is no mandated ratio for the number of apprentice plumbers that can be supervised by a journeyman plumber on any given jobsite. In practice, this has meant that many apprentices are not getting the adequate training and onsite experience necessary for them to advance in their profession. The lack of an apprentice ratio has also a negative impact on job sites – where we’ve heard horror stories of contractors employing dozens of apprentices to complete work without adequate supervision from an experienced journeyman.

Plumbers are a vital skilled trade, and we should be requiring a reasonable ratio for apprentice plumbers just like we do for apprentice electricians. My bill is a common sense move to safeguard our workers and job sites across Michigan – I urge my House colleagues to support SB740 and to support corresponding legislation to lower the apprentice ratio for electricians as well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Darrin Camilleri".

Darrin Camilleri  
State Senator, District 4