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SUBJECT: Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR) Briefing Memo for Rule Set 2019-139 LR (Ski Area Safety – General Rules)

Rules Primer

The Ski Area Safety – General Rules pertain to the installation and operation of ski lifts, the safety requirements for passenger ropeways – aerial tramways, aerial lifts, surface lifts, tows and conveyors prescribed in ANSI standards.

Summary of the Final Proposed Rule

The proposed rules are intended to update a reference to the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standards B77.1 on safety requirements for passenger ropeways – aerial tramways, aerial lifts, surface lifts, tows and conveyors that is adopted by reference in these rules.

Stakeholder Engagement

Development of the proposed rules occurred in consultation with, and approval of, the Michigan Ski Area Safety Board. The web address for the Board is <https://michiganbcc.ig2.com/Citizens/Board/1032-Ski-Area-Safety-Board>.

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Public Engagement and Public Hearing/Comment/Information

The public comment period for this rule set began on July 31, 2019 and ended on August 23, 2019, at 5:00 p.m. The notice of public comment period, in addition to being posted in various newspapers as required, was posted on the LARA website, and distributed via email listserv to all interested parties. The public hearing was held at 9:00 a.m. on October 21, 2020 and occurred virtually via Zoom, as permitted under Executive Order 2020-154. The Bureau did not receive any comments by mail or email during the public comment period and there were no comments made during the public hearing.

Modifications Made Due to Public Comment

There were no changes made to the proposed rules as no issues were raised during the public comment period.

Significant Issues Not Incorporated in the Final Proposed Rules

There were no significant issues raised during the workgroup meetings that were not addressed in the final proposed rules.

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