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**To the Part I Committee**

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Subject No. 3054

Chair: R Chauhan

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Title: GFCI Protection for 20A Receptacles, Rule 72-110(4)

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**Proposal:**

Add the requirements to have the 20 A receptacle identified in Rule 72-110(1)(b) to be protected by a GFCI and not just the 15 A

(4)The receptacle described in Subrule (1)(a)or (b)shall be protected by a ground fault circuit interrupter of the Class A type.

**Reasons for Request:**

In the 2002 Code two new additions were added to Section 72.

Rule 72-110(1) (b) 20 A, 125 V, 2-pole, 3-wire Type 5-20RA receptacle; and Rule 72-110(4).

The receptacle described in Subrule (1)(a) shall be protected by a ground fault circuit interrupter of the Class A type.

The 5-20RA could have 15 Amp plug inserted, having the same safety issues . Both the 15 and 20 Amp T slot should be GFCI protected .

I believe this was an oversight when the changes were made initially as they were dealt with at different subjects.

**Chair's Comments:** I support the proposal since it appears to be an editorial oversight and the proposal addresses the oversight.

**Subcommittee Deliberations:** Seven replies were received all supporting the proposal.

**Subcommittee Recommendation:** To accept the proposal.