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**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL NO. 132
MAY 23, 2003**

SUMMARY—Establishes a joint study committee to conduct study relating to mold in residential and commercial buildings.

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

Amend Senate Bill 132 by deleting sections 1-30 and inserting the following:

Section 1. 1. Study committee on residential and commercial mold contamination; duties; report

1. A joint study committee on residential and commercial mold contamination is hereby established, consisting of the following persons:

- a. The director of the Division of Industrial Relations or the director's designee.*
- b. The commissioner of the department of insurance or the commissioner's designee.*
- c. The Director of the State Environmental Commission.*
- d. A person who represents residential building contractors and who is appointed by the speaker of the Assembly.*
- e. A person who represents commercial building contractors; appointed by the president of the Senate.*
- f. A person who represents subcontractors; appointed by the speaker of the Assembly.*
- g. Two persons who represent homeowners. The speaker of the Assembly shall appoint one person and the president of the Senate shall appoint one person pursuant to this paragraph.*
- h. A person who represents a provider of homeowner's insurance, appointed by the president of the Senate.*
- i. One member from the Assembly who is appointed by the speaker of the Assembly.*
- j. One member from the Senate who is appointed by the president of the Senate.*
- k. A scientist who is trained in the health effects of mold appointed by the speaker of the Assembly.*

l. A registered professional engineer who specializes in residential and commercial design and who is appointed by the president of the Senate.

m. A person who represents environmental consultants and who is appointed by the speaker of the Assembly.

n. A person who represents analytical laboratories and who is appointed by the president of the Senate.

Sec. 2. 1. The committee shall study financial, environmental, and health effects associated with contamination by molds in commercial and residential buildings and shall consider at least the following:

a. Insurance coverage and liability issues for mold occurrences.

b. Remediation methods and costs, including evaluation of costs that may be covered by insurance policies.

c. Types of molds and standards for remediation of residential and commercial structures.

2. The member from the Assembly and the member from the Senate shall serve as chairpersons of the committee.

3. Members of the committee are not eligible for compensation or for reimbursement of expenses.

4. The committee may use the services of legislative staff as required.

Sec. 3. The study committee shall make a report of its findings and shall submit its report, including any recommendations as to legislation or policy changes, by September 1, 2004, and shall provide a copy of this report to the Legislative Counsel Bureau, the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the Assembly.

Sec. 4. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003.