

# HB3741



## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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HB3741

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### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

New Act

Creates the Bedbug Inspection Act. Requires persons engaged in the business of renting furniture and electronic equipment to inspect the furniture and electronic equipment for bedbugs and other pests before renting to a subsequent customer. Requires that infested furniture or equipment be treated before renting to a subsequent customer. Authorizes an action for damages.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning business.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Bedbug  
5 Inspection Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. In this Act:

7 "Merchant" means a person who, in the ordinary course of  
8 business, regularly rents or leases furniture or electronic  
9 equipment to customers.

10 "Pest" means undesirable insects including, but not  
11 limited to, bedbugs and roaches.

12 "Rent" means the transfer of possession property or right  
13 of possession property for consideration.

14 Section 10. Inspection. A merchant must inspect any  
15 previously rented furniture and equipment before renting the  
16 furniture or equipment to a subsequent customer.

17 Section 15. Treatment required. If an inspection reveals  
18 the presence of pests, the merchant must treat the furniture or  
19 equipment to eradicate the pests before renting the furniture  
20 or equipment to a subsequent customer.

1           Section 20. Action for damages. A person who suffers  
2 damages as a result of a violation this Act may bring an action  
3 pursuant to Section 10a of the Consumer Fraud and Deceptive  
4 Business Practices Act.