

HB4789



95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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by Rep. Karen May

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

420 ILCS 44/20

Amends the Radon Industry Licensing Act. Requires the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, in coordination with the Environmental Protection Agency and the Pollution Control Board, to adopt rules for radon control for all new residential buildings. Requires that these rules incorporate the radon control methods set forth in the International Residential Code. Effective immediately.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

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

4 Section 5. The Radon Industry Licensing Act is amended by
5 changing Section 20 as follows:

6 (420 ILCS 44/20)

7 Sec. 20. General powers.

8 (a) The Agency may undertake projects to determine whether
9 and to what extent radon and radon progeny are present in
10 dwellings and other buildings, to determine to what extent
11 their presence constitutes a risk to public health, and to
12 determine what measures are effective in reducing and
13 preventing the risk to public health.

14 (b) In addition to other powers granted under this Act, the
15 Agency is authorized to:

16 (1) Establish a program for measuring radon or radon
17 progeny in dwellings and other buildings.

18 (2) Conduct surveys and studies in cooperation with the
19 Department of Natural Resources and the Department of
20 Public Health to determine the distribution and
21 concentration of radon or radon progeny in dwellings and
22 other buildings and the associated health risk and to
23 evaluate measures that may be used to mitigate a present or

1 potential health risk.

2 (3) Enter into dwellings and other buildings with the
3 consent of the owner or occupant to engage in monitoring
4 activities or to conduct remedial action studies or
5 programs.

6 (4) Enter into contracts for projects undertaken
7 pursuant to subsection (a).

8 (5) Enter into agreements with other departments,
9 agencies, and subdivisions of the federal government, the
10 State, and units of local government to implement this Act.

11 (6) Establish training and educational programs.

12 (7) Apply for, accept, and use grants or other
13 financial assistance and accept and use gifts of money or
14 property to implement this Act.

15 (8) Provide technical assistance to persons and to
16 other State departments, agencies, political subdivisions,
17 units of local government, and school districts.

18 (9) Prescribe forms for application for a license.

19 (10) Establish the minimum qualifications for a
20 license, including requirements for examinations or
21 performance testing, and issue licenses to persons found to
22 be qualified.

23 (10.5) Investigate any unlicensed activity.

24 (11) Conduct hearings or proceedings to revoke,
25 suspend, or refuse to issue or renew a license, or assess
26 civil penalties.

1 (12) Adopt rules for the administration and
2 enforcement of this Act.

3 (13) Establish by rule fees to recover the cost of the
4 program.

5 (c) The Agency, in coordination with the Environmental
6 Protection Agency and the Pollution Control Board, shall adopt
7 rules for radon control for all new residential buildings.
8 These rules must incorporate the radon control methods set
9 forth in the International Residential Code appendix as the
10 model language, with changes necessary to comply with existing
11 construction codes in the State.

12 (Source: P.A. 94-369, eff. 7-29-05.)

13 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
14 becoming law.