1 AN ACT concerning public safety.

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

Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Mold
Remediation Registration Act.

6 Section 5. Findings. The General Assembly finds that:

7 (1) Excessive indoor dampness in buildings is a
8 widespread problem that warrants action at the local,
9 State, and national levels.

10 (2) Because of the public's concern about the possible 11 public health effects of exposure to mold in buildings, as 12 well as the effects on workers performing remediation work, 13 and the costs of remediation for the property owner, there 14 is a need to identify parties performing mold remediation 15 in the State.

16 (3) Because there is a need to reduce moisture that 17 fosters mold formation in buildings, the State should 18 review current State building codes to ensure that they do 19 not foster mold.

(4) Parties providing mold remediation services in
residential, public, and commercial buildings in Illinois
should be required to register with the State and provide
proof of financial responsibility.

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Laboratories performing tests to confirm mold 1 (5) 2 contamination in buildings should be certified by the American Industrial Hygiene Association using nationally 3 recognized accreditation standards set under the 4 5 Environmental Microbiology Laboratory Accreditation 6 Program.

7 Section 10. Definitions. As used in this Act:

8 "Department" means the Department of Public Health.

remediation" 9 "Mold means the removal, cleaning, 10 sanitizing, demolition, or other treatment, including 11 preventive activities, of mold or mold-containment matter in 12 buildings.

13 "Preventative activities" include those intended to 14 prevent future mold contamination of a remediated area, 15 including applying biocides or anti-microbial compounds.

16 Section 15. Reporting requirement. The Department must 17 report to the Environment and Energy Committees of the House of 18 Representatives and the Senate, on an annual basis, concerning 19 the implementation of any federal regulations that establish:

(1) scientific evidence concerning any health effects
 associated with fungi, bacteria, and their byproducts in
 indoor environments including any indoor air quality
 standard; and

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(2) standards for the training, certification, and

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licensing of parties providing mold remediation services
 in residential, public, and commercial buildings.

3 Section 20. Rules. The Department may adopt rules, under 4 the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act, to implement and 5 administer the provisions under this Act. The rules may include 6 a program establishing procedures for parties that provide mold 7 remediation services to register with the State and provide 8 evidence of financial responsibility.

9 Section 25. Exemptions. The provisions of this Act shall 10 not apply to home builders and remodelers performing work on 11 any residential structure, consisting of 4 or fewer residential 12 units, under the period and terms of the written warranty of 13 that residential structure.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January1, 2008.