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### SB2602

Introduced 1/21/2010, by Sen. Heather Steans

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Amends the Structural Pest Control Act. Defines "person" to also mean any public school or any licensed day care center. Provides that only a person who is certified or licensed as a structural pest control technician by a contiguous state or the federal government may apply for reciprocal certification without an examination by the Department in those sub-categories or areas for which the applicant holds certification or licensure. Provides that the Department shall adopt rules for any examinations required for the proper administration of the Act, including any category or sub-category examination involving the use of general or restricted use pesticides and any examination which may be required under certain categories specified in the rules adopted by the Department of Agriculture in the Illinois Administrative Code. Provides that any fine that remains unpaid 60 days after receiving notice from the Department may be submitted to any other public or private agency for collection of the amounts owed plus any fees and costs incurred during the collection process (now, may only be submitted to the Attorney General's Office). Provides that only the Department of Public Health and any local health department shall not be required to pay any fees, nor shall the employees thereof engaged in pest control activities in their official capacity be required to pay any fees for examination, certification, or renewal of certification (now, the State, any agency thereof, or any local unit of government). Makes changes in provisions concerning definitions, license or registration renewal, renewal of technician certification, violations, notification, and penalty. Makes other changes. Effective immediately.

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AN ACT concerning regulation.

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

Section 5. The Structural Pest Control Act is amended by
changing Sections 3.03, 3.09, 3.11, 4, 5.01, 6, 7, 9, 10.3, 13,
21, 21.1, and 22 as follows:

7 (225 ILCS 235/3.03) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2203.03) (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019) 8 9 Sec. 3.03. "Person" means any individual, group of individuals, association, trust, partnership, corporation, 10 person doing business under an assumed name, the State of 11 Illinois, or department thereof, any other state-owned and 12 operated institution, public school, licensed day care center, 13 14 or any other entity.

15 (Source: P.A. 82-725; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, eff. 8-7-08.)

16 (225 ILCS 235/3.09) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2203.09)

17 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019)

18 Sec. 3.09. "Structural Pest Control" means and includes the 19 on-site identification of an infestation in, on or under a 20 structure or the use of any method or device or the application 21 of any substance to prevent, repel, mitigate, curb, control<u></u> or 22 eradicate any pest in, on<u></u>, or under<u>, or within 10 feet of</u> a

1 structure, or within a part of, or materials used in building, 2 a structure; the use of any pesticide, including insecticides, 3 fungicides and other wood treatment products, attractants, repellents, rodenticides, fumigants, or mechanical devices for 4 5 preventing, controlling, eradicating, identifying, mitigating, 6 diminishing, or curbing insects, vermin, rats, mice, or other pests in, on, or under, or within 10 feet of a structure, or 7 8 within a part of, or materials used in building, a structure; 9 vault fumigation and fumigation of box cars, trucks, ships, 10 airplanes, docks, warehouses, and common carriers or 11 soliciting to perform any of the foregoing functions.

12 (Source: P.A. 85-227; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, eff. 8-7-08.)

13 (225 ILCS 235/3.11) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2203.11)

14 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019)

Sec. 3.11. "Commercial Structural Pest Control Business" means any business in the course of which any person <u>performs</u>, advertises, or contracts to perform structural pest control services on property under the ownership or control of another <u>in exchange for any consideration</u>.

20 (Source: P.A. 82-725; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, eff. 8-7-08.)

### 21 (225 ILCS 235/4) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2204)

22 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019)

- 23 Sec. 4. Licensing and registration location requirements +.
- 24 (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in a

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commercial structural pest control business at any location in 1 2 this State after October 21, 1977, or within Illinois from any location outside of this State, unless such person is licensed 3 by the Department. A person shall have a separate license for 4 5 each commercial structural pest control business location. <del>It</del> 6 shall also be unlawful for any person to engage in a commercial 7 pest control business in Illinois from any location outside 8 this State unless such person is licensed by this Department. 9 The licensee may use its state identification number in all 10 forms of advertising.

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11 (b) It shall be unlawful for any person who owns or 12 operates a non-commercial structural pest control location to 13 non-commercial structural pest control engage in using restricted pesticides in this State after October 21, 1977, 14 unless registered <u>as a non-commercial</u> structural pest control 15 16 location by the Department.

17 (c) No person shall be licensed or registered as a 18 commercial or non-commercial structural pest control business 19 at any location without complying with the certification 20 requirements as prescribed in Section 5 of this Act.

(d) If a licensee or registrant changes its location of operation during the year of issuance, the Department shall be notified in writing of the new location within 15 days. The license or registration shall <u>accompany the notification along</u> with the fee as prescribed in Section 9 of this Act, be surrendered and, upon receipt, a replacement will be issued by

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#### the Department <del>for a fee of \$10</del>.

2 (e) All licenses and registrations issued under this Act 3 shall expire on December 31 of the year issued, except that an original license or registration issued after October 1 and 4 5 before December 31 shall expire on December 31 of the following 6 year. A license or registration may be renewed by filing with 7 the Department a completed renewal application form as 8 prescribed by rule, including payment of the fee as prescribed 9 in Section 9 of this Act, and may be postmarked no later than 10 the December 1 preceding the date of expiration. Applications 11 received by the Department that are postmarked after December 1 12 up to and including December 31 shall be accompanied by the required late filing charge as prescribed in Section 9 of this 13 14 Act. License or registration applications that are postmarked 15 after December 31 will not be eligible for renewal A license or 16 registration may be renewed by making application on a form prescribed by the Department and by paying the fee required by 17 this Act. Renewal applications shall be filed with 18 the 19 Department prior to December 1 of each year.

20 (f) No license or registration shall be transferable from 21 one person to another.

# (g) No person shall be licensed as a commercial structural pest control business location without complying with the insurance requirements of Section 9 of this Act.

25 (Source: P.A. 83-825; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, eff. 8-7-08.)

1	(225 ILCS 235/5.01) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2205.01)		
2	(Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019)		
3	Sec. 5.01. <u>Reciprocity.</u>		
4	(a) Upon payment of the required fee as prescribed in		
5	Section 9 of this Act, a person who is certified or licensed as		
6	a structural pest control technician by a contiguous state or		
7	the federal government may apply for reciprocal certification		
8	without examination by the Department in those sub-categories		
9	or areas for which the applicant holds certification or		
10	licensure by the contiguous state or the federal government.		
11	(b) In order to receive reciprocal certification under		
12	subsection (a) of this Section, the requirements for the		
13	certification or licensure by the contiguous state or the		
14	federal government must have been, at the date of the		
15	certification or licensure, substantially equivalent to the		
16	requirements then in force in this State, as determined by the		
17	Department. Upon the payment of the required fee, an applicant		
18	who is certified in another state, may, without examination, be		
19	granted a certificate as a certified structural pest control		
20	technician by the Department in those sub-categories for which		
21	he has been certified by another state, provided that the		
22	Department finds that the requirements for certification of		
23	structural pest control technicians in that state were, at the		
24	date of certification, substantially equal to the requirements		
25	then in force in this State and provided that the same		
26	privilege of certification is similarly granted by said state		

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to technicians certified by the State of Illinois. 1 2 (Source: P.A. 82-725; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, eff. 8-7-08.) 3 (225 ILCS 235/6) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2206) 4 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019) 5 Sec. 6. Renewal of technician certification Certificate 6 renewal). 7 (a) A certified technician's certificate shall be valid for a period of 3 years expiring on December 31 of the third year, 8 9 except that an original certificate issued between October 1 10 and December 31 shall expire on December 31 of the third full 11 calendar year following issuance and must be renewed by January 12 of each third year. A certificate may be renewed by 13 application upon a form prescribed by the Department, provided 14 that the certified technician furnishes the following: 15 (1) a renewal application filed with the Department 16 postmarked no later than December 1 preceding the date of 17 expiration; 18 (2) evidence attached to the renewal, or on file with the Department, of acquiring, that he has attended during 19 the 3 year period, a minimum of 9 classroom hours, in 20 21 increments of 3 hours or more, of training at Department 22 approved pest control training seminars; and 23 (3) the required fee as prescribed in Section 9 of this 24 Act and pays the fee required by this Act. Renewal 25 applications shall be filed with the Department prior to

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December 1 preceding the date of expiration.

Applications received by the Department postmarked after
 December 1 shall be accompanied by the required late filing
 charge as prescribed in Section 9 of this Act.

5 (b) Certified technician's certificates are not. transferable from one person to another person, and no licensee 6 7 or registrant shall use the certificate of a certified technician to secure or hold a license or registration unless 8 9 the holder of such certificate is actively engaged in the 10 direction of pest control operations of the licensee or 11 registrant.

12 (c) A certified technician who has not renewed his or her 13 certificate for a period of not more than one year after its 14 expiration may secure a renewal upon payment of the renewal fee 15 and  $\tau$  late filing charge and the furnishing of evidence of 16 training in accordance with item (2) of subsection (a) of this 17 Section as may be required by the Department. If a technician has not renewed his or her certificate for a period of more 18 19 than one year after its expiration, the technician he shall 20 file an original application for examination, pay all required fees, which may include renewal, examination, and late filing 21 22 charges, and successfully pass the examination before his or 23 her certificate is renewed. Any individual who fails to renew a certification by the date of expiration shall not perform any 24 pest control activities until the requirements of this Section 25 have been met and a certificate has been issued by the 26

1 Department.

2 (Source: P.A. 93-922, eff. 1-1-05; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, 3 eff. 8-7-08.)

4 (225 ILCS 235/7) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2207) 5 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019) 6 Sec. 7. Written examination required. The Department 7 shall adopt rules for any examinations required for the proper 8 administration of this Act, including any category or sub-category examination involving the use of general or 9 10 restricted use pesticides and any examination which may be 11 required under Category 7, Industrial, Institutional, 12 Structural, and Health Related Pest Control, or Category 8, 13 Public Health Pest Control (excluding Mosquito Pest Control), in the rules adopted by the Department of Agriculture in 14 Section 250.120 of Title 8 of the Illinois Administrative Code. 15 16 Applications for examination shall be in the form prescribed by the Department, and shall be accompanied by the required fee as 17 18 prescribed in Section 9 of this Act, and received by the Department at least 15 days prior to an examination. The 19 20 Department shall conduct written examinations at least 4 times 21 each year and may require a practical demonstration by each 22 applicant. The written examination shall be prepared from 23 suggested study materials.

All applicants shall be tested and required to attain a
 passing grade on a General Standards examination which

1	evaluates their general knowledge of label and labeling
2	comprehension, safety, environment, equipment, application
3	techniques, laws and regulations, and pests and pesticides.
4	Applicants who pass the General Standards examination may also,
5	if qualified, be examined in any one or more of the other
6	sub categories in which they desire to use restricted
7	<del>pesticides:</del>
8	(a) Insects (excluding termites and other wood destroying
9	organisms), rodents and other pests including those pests in
10	food manufacturing, food processing, food storage and grain
11	handling;
12	(b) Termites and other wood destroying organisms;
13	(c) Bird control;
14	(d) Fumigation;
15	(e) Food manufacturing, food processing and food storage
16	facilities;
17	(f) Institutional and multi unit residential housing pest
18	control;
19	(g) Public health pest control; and
20	(h) Wood products pest control, which includes the
21	application of restricted use wood treatment pesticides by
22	individuals working for commercial wood treatment companies or
23	non-commercial wood treatment plants using pressure, as well as
24	nonpressure, treatment methods to control or prevent wood
25	degradation by wood destroying organisms which include but are
26	not limited to insects, and by fungi or bacteria which cause

1 surface molding, surface staining, sap staining, brown rot, 2 white rot and soft rot.

An applicant who is examined and certified in sub-categories (a), (b), (c), (d) and (h) shall be qualified to use restricted pesticides in performing structural pest control activities in commercial and non-commercial structural pest control in those sub-categories in which he has been certified.

9 An applicant who is examined and certified in 10 sub-categories (e), (f), or (g) shall be permitted to apply 11 restricted pesticides only to structures of the non-commercial 12 structural pest control registrant of which he is an employee. 13 (Source: P.A. 85-227; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, eff. 8-7-08.)

14 (225 ILCS 235/9) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2209) 15 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019) 16 Sec. 9. Fees and required insurance. (a) The fees required by this Act are as follows: 17 18 (1) The fee for an original commercial structural pest control business license is \$250; and the fee for the 19 20 renewal of that license is \$150. 21 (2) The fee for an original non-commercial structural 22 pest control business registration is \$200; and the fee for 23 the renewal of that registration is \$125. 24 (3) The fee for an application for examination as a

25 <u>certified technician, including an original certificate</u>,

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1	is \$75; and the fee for the renewal of that certification
2	<u>is \$75.</u>
3	(4) The fee for an application for examination in
4	sub-categories not previously examined or for
5	reexamination as a certified technician in areas
6	previously failed is \$50.
7	(5) The fee for the replacement of a license,
8	registration, or certification is \$25.
9	(6) The late filing charge for any license,
10	registration, or certification is \$75.
11	(7) The fee for multiple copies of this Act and
12	regulations or for any category or sub-category specific
13	training materials is \$5 per copy.
14	(a) For an original license and each renewal - \$100.
15	(b) For an original registration and each renewal -
16	<del>\$50.</del>
17	(c) For each certificate renewal \$40.
18	(d) For an application for examination including an
19	<del>original certificate \$40.</del>
20	(e) Any person who fails to file a renewal application
21	by the date of expiration of a license, certification or
22	registration shall be assessed a late filing charge of \$75.
23	(f) For duplicate copies of certificates, licenses or
24	<del>registrations - \$10.</del>
25	All fees shall be paid by check or money order. Any fee

26 required by this Act is not refundable in the event that the

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original application or application for renewal is denied.

2 (b) Every application for an original commercial structural pest control business location license shall be 3 accompanied by a certificate of insurance issued by an 4 5 insurance company authorized to do business in the State of 6 Illinois or by a risk retention or purchasing group formed 7 pursuant to the federal Liability Risk Retention Act of 1986, which provides primary, first dollar public liability coverage 8 9 of the applicant or licensee for personal injuries for not less 10 than \$100,000 per person, or \$300,000 per occurrence, and, in 11 addition, for not less than \$50,000 per occurrence for property 12 damage, resulting from structural pest control. The insurance 13 policy shall be in effect at all times during the license year and a new certificate of insurance shall be filed with the 14 15 Department within 30 days after the renewal of the insurance 16 policy. Each application for renewal of a commercial structural 17 pest control location license shall also include a certificate of insurance as detailed above unless a valid certificate of 18 19 insurance is already on file with the Department. Applicants 20 for registration or registration renewal shall not be required to provide evidence of public liability insurance coverage. 21

All administrative civil fines and fees collected pursuant to this Act shall be deposited into the Pesticide Control Fund established pursuant to the Illinois Pesticide Act. The amount annually collected as administrative civil fines and fees shall be appropriated by the General Assembly to the Department for the purposes of conducting a public education program on the proper use of pesticides and for other activities related to enforcement of this Act and the Illinois Pesticide Act.

4 (Source: P.A. 87-703; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, eff. 8-7-08.)

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(225 ILCS 235/10.3)

6 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019) Sec. 10.3. Notification. School districts and day care 7 centers must maintain a registry of parents and guardians of 8 9 students and employees who have registered to receive written 10 or telephonic notification prior to application of pesticides 11 to school property or day care centers or provide written or 12 telephonic notification to all parents and guardians of Written 13 students before such pesticide application. 14 notification may be included in newsletters, bulletins, 15 calendars, or other correspondence currently published by the 16 school district or day care center. The written or telephonic notification must be given at least 2 business days before 17 application of the pesticide application and should identify 18 19 the intended date of the application of the pesticide and the name and telephone contact number for the school or day care 20 21 center personnel responsible for the pesticide application 22 program. Prior written notice shall not be required if there is 23 an imminent threat to health or property. If such a situation 24 arises, the appropriate school or day care center personnel 25 must sign a statement describing the circumstances that gave

rise to the health threat and ensure that written <u>or telephonic</u> notice is provided as soon as practicable. For purposes of this Section, pesticides subject to notification requirements shall not include (i) an antimicrobial agent, such as disinfectant, sanitizer, or deodorizer, or (ii) insecticide baits and rodenticide baits.

7 (Source: P.A. 93-381, eff. 7-1-04; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, 8 eff. 8-7-08.)

9 (225 ILCS 235/13) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2213)

10 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019)

Sec. 13. Violations of the Act. It is a violation of this Act and the Department may suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue or renew any certificate, registration, or license, in accordance with Section 14 of this Act, upon proof of any of the following:

16 (a) Violation of this Act or any rule or regulation 17 promulgated hereunder.

(b) Conviction of a certified technician, registrant, or
licensee of a violation of any provision of this Act or of pest
control laws in any other state, or any other laws or rules and
regulations adopted thereto relating to pesticides.

(c) Knowingly making false or fraudulent claims, misrepresenting the effects of materials or methods or failing to use methods or materials suitable for structural pest control.

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(d) Performing structural pest control in a careless or
 negligent manner so as to be detrimental to health.

3 Failure to supply within a reasonable time, upon (e) request from the Department or its authorized representative, 4 5 true information regarding methods and materials used, work or other information 6 performed, essential to the 7 administration of this Act.

8 (f) Fraudulent advertising or solicitations relating to 9 structural pest control.

10 (g) Aiding or abetting a person to evade any provision of 11 this Act, conspiring with any person to evade provisions of 12 this Act or allowing a license, permit, certification, or 13 registration to be used by another person.

14 (h) Impersonating any federal, state, county, or city 15 official.

16 (i) Performing structural pest control, utilizing, or
17 authorizing the use or sale of, pesticides which are in
18 violation of the FIFRA, or the Illinois Pesticide Act.

19 (j) Failing to comply with a written Department notice or
20 lawful order of the Director.

21 (Source: P.A. 85-177; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, eff. 8-7-08.)

22 (225 ILCS 235/21) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2221)

23 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019)
24 Sec. 21. Penalty-. Any person who violates this Act or any
25 rule or regulation adopted by the Department, or who violates

any determination or order of the Department under this Act shall be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor and shall be fined a sum <u>of</u> not <u>more</u> <del>less</del> than <u>\$2,500</u>, <u>serve a jail term of up to 1</u> day less than 1 year in jail, or both <del>\$100</del>.

5 Each day's violation constitutes a separate offense. The 6 State's Attorney of the county in which the violation occurred 7 or the Attorney General shall bring such actions in the name of 8 the people of the State of Illinois.

9 (Source: P.A. 82-725; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, eff. 8-7-08.)

10 (225 ILCS 235/21.1) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2221.1)

11 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019)

12 Sec. 21.1. Administrative Civil Fines. The Department is 13 empowered to assess administrative civil fines in accordance 14 with Section 15 of this Act against a licensee, registrant or 15 certified technician, person, public school, licensed day care 16 center, or other entity for violations of this Act or its rules and regulations. These fines shall be established by the 17 18 Department by rule and may be assessed in addition to, or in lieu of, license, registration, or certification suspensions 19 20 and revocations. Rules to implement this Section shall be 21 proposed by the Department by January 1, 1993.

The amount of these fines shall be determined by the hearing officer upon determination that a violation or violations of the Act or rules has occurred. Any fine assessed and not paid within 60 days <u>after receiving</u> of notice from the Department may be submitted to the Attorney General's Office, or any other public or private agency, for collection of the amounts owed plus any fees and costs incurred during the collection process. Failure to pay a fine shall also be grounds for immediate suspension or revocation of a license, registration, or certification issued under this Act.

7 (Source: P.A. 87-703; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, eff. 8-7-08.)

8 (225 ILCS 235/22) (from Ch. 111 1/2, par. 2222)

9 (Section scheduled to be repealed on December 31, 2019) 10 Sec. 22. Scope of Act $\rightarrow$ . The provisions of this Act apply to 11 any structural pest control operations performed by the State 12 or agency thereof. However, the Department of Public Health State or agency thereof or any local health department unit of 13 14 local government shall not be required to pay any fees, nor 15 shall the employees thereof engaged in pest control activities 16 in their official capacity be required to pay any fees for examination, certification, or renewal of certification in the 17 18 sub categories of either (f) or (g) specified in Section 7 of this Act. 19

This Act does not apply to any person certified by the Illinois Department of Agriculture to use restricted pesticides in structures on his own individual property.

23 (Source: P.A. 82-725; reenacted by P.A. 95-786, eff. 8-7-08.)

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(225 ILCS 235/5.02 rep.)

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1 Section 10. The Structural Pest Control Act is amended by
2 repealing Section 5.02.
3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
4 becoming law.

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