



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 546

LCO No. 1885



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
SEN. SOMERS, 18th Dist.

***AN ACT ESTABLISHING PROTECTIONS FOR RESIDENTS FROM
MOLD INFESTATION.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to (1) establish a mold
2 protection advisory committee within the Department of Public Health
3 to advise the department and report to the joint standing committee of
4 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
5 health regarding mold infestation in residential housing, (2) require the
6 Department of Public Health to develop and adopt, in consultation with
7 such advisory committee, (A) guidelines regarding permissible
8 exposure limits to mold in indoor environments, standards for assessing
9 the health threat from exposure to mold in indoor environments and
10 guidelines for identifying mold in indoor environments; (B) guidelines
11 for remediating mold in indoor environment; and (C) uniform
12 standards for mold assessment and remediation, (3) require the
13 imposition of penalties on a residential landlord when mold is found in
14 landlord's property under certain circumstances, (4) allow a credit
15 against the state income tax for owners of single-family and multifamily

16 residential properties who incur costs for certain mold remediation
17 performed on the property, (5) authorize a tenant to deposit the tenant's
18 rent in an escrow account if the tenant's landlord fails to comply with
19 certain requirements related to mold remediation, and (6) prohibit a
20 lessee from being evicted, the tenancy from being terminated and the
21 rent from being raised for a lessee who seeks a remedy related to mold
22 being found in the tenant's residence.

Statement of Purpose:

To protect residents from mold infestation.