House File 421 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 421 BY KAUFMANN

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the performance of radon testing, and
- providing a penalty.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 136B.5, Code 2011, is amended to read as 2 follows:
- 3 136B.5 Penalty Penalties for violation.
- 4 a. A person who violates a provision of this chapter is
- 5 guilty of a serious misdemeanor.
- 6 b. A person who intentionally or negligently misrepresents
- 7 the capabilities of a device for detecting and measuring radon
- 8 gas or radon progeny, or the results of a test for the presence
- 9 of radon gas or radon progeny, or who for compensation performs
- 10 a test for the presence of radon gas or radon progeny without
- ll an objective basis for believing the test will reduce the
- 12 presence of radon gas or radon progeny, commits a consumer
- 13 fraud under section 714.16.
- 14 EXPLANATION
- 15 This bill relates to the performance of radon testing. The
- 16 bill provides that a person who intentionally or negligently
- 17 misrepresents the capabilities of a device for detecting and
- 18 measuring radon gas or radon progeny, or the results of a test
- 19 for the presence of radon gas or radon progeny, or who for
- 20 compensation performs a test without an objective basis for
- 21 believing the test will reduce the presence of radon gas or
- 22 radon progeny, commits a consumer fraud under section 714.16.
- 23 A violation of Code section 714.16 is punishable by imposition
- 24 of a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 per
- 25 violation, and in addition a civil penalty of not more than
- 26 \$5,000 for each day of intentional violation of a temporary
- 27 restraining order, preliminary injunction, or permanent
- 28 injunction.