

**House File 2722 - Introduced**

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BY HAYES

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to an indoor mold information and public  
2 awareness program, and establishing a mold remediation  
3 standard of care.  
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. **135.39F Indoor mold public**  
2 **information and awareness program.**

3 1. As used in this section, "*indoor mold*" means any form of  
4 multicellular fungi, including but not limited to cladosporium,  
5 penicillium, alternaria, aspergillus, fusarium, trichoderma,  
6 memmoniella, mucor, and stachybotrys chartarum, found in damp or  
7 water-damaged indoor environments and building materials.

8 2. The department shall establish an indoor mold public  
9 information and awareness program to assist the public in  
10 understanding the threat of indoor mold found in indoor  
11 environments and the importance of the proper removal of indoor  
12 mold. As part of the program, the department shall do all of the  
13 following:

14 a. Beginning July 1, 2026, review the adverse effects  
15 to humans from exposure to indoor mold found in damp and  
16 water-damaged indoor environments. In reviewing the adverse  
17 effects, the department shall consult with medical research  
18 institutions and organizations with expertise in the adverse  
19 effects of such exposure. The department shall submit a report  
20 that contains the department's findings and recommendations to  
21 the general assembly by June 30, 2027.

22 b. Every five years, beginning July 1, 2027, review  
23 technology or treatment techniques for indoor mold identification  
24 and remediation that provide additional protections to public  
25 health and safety. The review performed shall include an  
26 examination of any new scientific evidence that indicates that  
27 indoor mold may present a greater health risk to the public  
28 than previously determined. The department shall submit a report  
29 to the general assembly following completion of each review,  
30 including the findings of and recommendations for additional  
31 protections for the public health and safety based on the review.

32 c. Establish a public information and awareness campaign on  
33 the dangers of indoor mold and damp or water-damaged indoor  
34 environments. The campaign shall educate the public on the  
35 health effects of indoor mold in damp and water-damaged buildings

1 and building materials, and on the methods of identifying and  
2 remediating indoor mold, and shall provide contact information  
3 for organizations or government agencies that assist the public  
4 with indoor mold concerns.

5 3. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A,  
6 including rules that provide for the requirements and procedures  
7 for the five-year review and the parameters for the public  
8 information and awareness campaign, and any other rules necessary  
9 to administer this section.

10 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. **135.39G Mold remediation — standard**  
11 **of care.**

12 All mold remediation performed in the state must be conducted  
13 in accordance to the most recent edition of ANSI/IICRC S520  
14 standard for professional mold remediation, or its successor  
15 publication, or any other equivalent ANSI-accredited mold  
16 remediation standard approved by the department.

17 **EXPLANATION**

18 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
19 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

20 This bill relates to an indoor mold public information and  
21 awareness program, and establishes a mold remediation standard of  
22 care.

23 The bill defines "indoor mold" to include any form of  
24 multicellular fungi found in damp or water-damaged indoor  
25 environments and building materials. The bill requires the  
26 department of health and human services (HHS) to establish an  
27 indoor mold public information and awareness program. Beginning  
28 July 1, 2026, HHS shall review the adverse effects to humans  
29 from exposure to indoor mold by consulting with medical research  
30 institutions and organizations with expertise in adverse effects  
31 of such exposure, and submit a report including findings and  
32 recommendations to the general assembly by June 30, 2027.  
33 Every five years, beginning July 1, 2027, HHS shall review  
34 technology or treatment techniques for indoor mold identification  
35 and remediation and submit a report to the general assembly. HHS

1 shall establish a public information and awareness campaign to  
2 provide resources and educate the public on the dangers of indoor  
3 mold and damp or water-damaged indoor environments.

4 The bill directs HHS to adopt rules to administer the bill.

5 The bill requires mold remediation in the state to be  
6 conducted in accordance to the most recent edition of ANSI/IICRC  
7 S520 standard for professional mold remediation, or successor  
8 publication, or other equivalent ANSI-accredited mold remediation  
9 standard approved by HHS.

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