

RADON RELATED AMENDMENTS

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

LONG TITLE**General Description:**

This bill addresses issues related to radon gas.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- defines terms;
- directs the Division of Waste Management and Radiation Control to develop an online radon gas test data collection mechanism and map;
- addresses testing and mitigation in public buildings, including reporting; and
- repeals the study requirement that has been completed.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:**ENACTS:**

19-1-208, Utah Code Annotated 1953

REPEALS:

79-2-405, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 87

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **19-1-208** is enacted to read:

19-1-208. Radon -- Public buildings -- Reports -- Assistance.

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Division" means the Division of Waste Management and Radiation Control.

(b) "Federal indoor radon gas action limit" means a level of radon gas greater than or equal to 4.0 pCi/L.

(2) (a) By no later than July 1, 2024, the division shall:

33 (i) develop an online radon test data collection mechanism; and
34 (ii) map online, in a manner that is accessible by the public, the radon test data that the
35 division collects.

36 (b) In developing the online data collection mechanism and map, the division may not
37 require testing for radon.

38 (3) (a) A state agency that owns, operates, or oversees a public building is encouraged
39 to test for radon and mitigate radon levels in the public building that are above the federal
40 indoor gas action limit.

41 (b) If by June 30, 2023, the Division of Facilities Construction and Management has
42 not provided for testing and any necessary mitigation of radon levels in the state's public
43 buildings, the Division of Facilities Construction and Management shall:

44 (i) (A) prepare a plan to test the state's public buildings for radon and to mitigate radon
45 levels that are above the federal indoor gas action limit; or

46 (B) document the reason why testing for radon or mitigation of radon levels is not
47 necessary for a specific state public building; and

48 (ii) report the information described in Subsection (3)(b)(i) to the Natural Resources,
49 Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee by no later than the 2023 November interim
50 meeting of the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee.

51 (c) The State Board of Education in relation to public schools within the state shall:

52 (i) (A) prepare a plan for testing public school buildings for radon and for mitigating
53 radon levels that are above the federal indoor gas action limit; or

54 (B) document the reason why testing for radon or mitigation of radon levels is not
55 necessary for a specific public school building; and

56 (ii) report the information described in Subsection (3)(c)(i) to the Natural Resources,
57 Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee by no later than the 2023 November interim
58 meeting of the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee.

59 (4) The division may upon request assist efforts to test public buildings for radon and
60 mitigate radon levels in public buildings that are above the federal indoor gas action limit.

61 **Section 2. Repealer.**

62 This bill repeals:

63 Section **79-2-405, Radon study.**

