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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to the regulation of mold assessors and remediators.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 1958.001(4), Occupations Code, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 (4) "Mold" means any living or dead fungi or related
- 7 products or parts, including spores  $\underline{and}[\tau]$  hyphae[ $\tau$  and
- 8 mycotoxins].
- 9 SECTION 2. Section 1958.002(b), Occupations Code, is
- 10 amended to read as follows:
- 11 (b) This chapter does not apply to:
- 12 (1) the following activities when not conducted for
- 13 the purpose of mold assessment or mold remediation:
- 14 (A) routine cleaning;
- 15 (B) the diagnosis, repair, cleaning, or
- 16 replacement of plumbing, heating, ventilation, air conditioning,
- 17 electrical, or air duct systems or appliances;
- 18 (C) commercial or residential real estate
- 19 inspections; and
- 20 (D) the incidental discovery or emergency
- 21 containment of potential mold contamination during the conduct or
- 22 performance of services listed in this subsection;
- 23 (2) the repair, replacement, or cleaning of
- 24 construction materials during the building phase of the

- 1 construction of a structure;
- 2 (3) the standard performance of custodial activities
- 3 for, preventive maintenance of, and the routine assessment of
- 4 property owned or operated by a governmental entity; [or]
- 5 (4) a pest control inspection conducted by a person
- 6 regulated under Chapter 1951; or
- 7 (5) demolition of a structure after a fire or other
- 8 disaster.
- 9 SECTION 3. Section 1958.034, Occupations Code, is amended
- 10 to read as follows:
- 11 Sec. 1958.034. DUTIES. The advisory board may advise the
- 12 commission and department on:
- 13 (1) technical matters relevant to the administration
- 14 of this chapter;
- 15 (2) standards of  $[ext{or}]$  performance and work practices
- 16 for mold assessment or remediation;
- 17 (3) qualifications for the issuance or renewal of a
- 18 license, including any training or continuing education; and
- 19 (4) other issues affecting mold assessment and
- 20 remediation.
- 21 SECTION 4. Section 1958.102(b), Occupations Code, is
- 22 repealed.
- SECTION 5. The change in law made by this Act applies only
- 24 to conduct that occurs on or after the effective date of this Act.
- 25 Conduct that occurs before the effective date of this Act is
- 26 governed by the law in effect on the date the conduct occurred, and
- 27 the former law is continued in effect for that purpose.

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1 SECTION 6. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.