



## PURPOSE OF PROPOSAL

CT DPH has no current means or authority to collect residential radon testing or reduction activities in CT

### WE NEED TO:

- Collect data to determine the scope & incidence of the largest environmental health risk in CT
- Standardize the data to be collected
- Utilize our radon surveillance system-MAVEN!



## 19A-14B PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

\*Requires radon in air & (approved) radon in water analytical service providers to report radon results

\*Requires qualified radon mitigation contractors to uniformly report all residential mitigation installations

## WHY DIDN'T THE PROPOSAL PASS?

The CT Realtors Assoc and the CT Chapters of the National Home Builders Assoc opposed it during the last session.

- \* Misinformed about the intent of this legislation
- \* Concerned about added expense for home inspectors
- \* Worried about a delay in real estate transactions
- \* Afraid that information would be shared openly

## NEED FOR CLARIFICATION

Held mtg with CT Realtors Assoc, ASHI, & CAHI to address concerns

- \* **Real estate transaction will NOT be delayed**  
*Seller, buyer, realtor, & inspector are NOT impacted by proposal*
- \* **Who is an analytical measurement service provider?**  
*NOT your average home inspector placing passive devices*
- \* **Not a burden to laboratories**  
*They can readily provide the requested info on a monthly basis*
- \* **Info maintained as confidential health data**  
*It would NOT be released to the public in any identifiable format*

## CHANGES MADE FOR RESUBMISSION

The proposed language was revised as follows:

- a) Reporting of radon measurement results by analytical service providers was limited to monthly reporting only  
*(instead of more rapid reporting of results in original proposal)*
- a) Language pertaining to confidentiality was highlighted in the resubmission  
*(to reduce concerns about disclosure of reported results to general public or others)*



## INDOOR AIR QUALITY STATUTE

### **CGS10-220(d):**

*Prior to January 1, 2008, and every five years thereafter, every school building that is constructed, extended, renovated, or replaced on or after January 1, 2003 shall be tested for radon levels in air.*

## RADON MEASUREMENT IN SCHOOLS GUIDANCE

In response to the Indoor Air Quality Statute, the Radon Program:

- Met with SDE
- Became active with CSIERT
- Wrote Radon Measurement in Schools Guidance
- Trained radon measurement providers on testing protocols
- Distributed an educational pamphlet & list of trained radon measurement in school providers to CT schools
- Created reporting forms to be signed & submitted to the Radon Program



PAST DUE...

Time to get our guidance on  
the books, so to speak

We are approved to propose these  
regulations so let's do it

## **SECTION 19A-37B**

**Proposal for regulations for the establishment of radon measurement requirements and procedures for evaluating radon in indoor air and reducing elevated radon gas levels when detected in public schools**

## **TIMELINE**

- 1) Law interns work on putting our Radon Measurement in Schools guidance document into regulatory language
- 2) Fran & Allison edit, revise, and edit some more...
- 3) Radon Program shares draft regs with the Environmental Health Hazards Workgroup
- 4) EHHWG met twice to review & comment
- 5) Another EHHWG mtg scheduled for Dec10<sup>th</sup> to finalize comments

**STAY TUNED...**

**These things take time  
as you know  
with the Lead regs**

