By Senator Thurston

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to mold assessors and mold remediators; amending s. 468.841, F.S.; authorizing, upon the declaration of an emergency, an exemption from mold assessor and mold remediator licensure and certain regulatory requirements for out-of-state assessors and remediators for a specified time, subject to certain conditions; providing an effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Subsection (3) is added to section 468.841, Florida Statutes, to read:

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468.841 Exemptions.—

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(3) Upon the declaration of an emergency pursuant to s. 252.36(2), and for 9 months thereafter, a mold assessor or mold remediator is not required to comply with any provisions of this part relating to mold assessment or mold remediation, if all of the following conditions are met:

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(a) The mold assessor or mold remediator may only work in counties that have been directly impacted by the emergency.

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(b) The mold assessor or mold remediator is licensed, incorporated, or registered to do business as a mold assessor or mold remediator in a state other than this state.

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(c) Before engaging in mold assessment or mold remediation, or holding himself or herself out for hire in this state as a mold assessor or mold remediator, the mold assessor or mold remediator must register with the department and provide, at a

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minimum, all of the following:

- 1. The name under which the mold assessor or mold remediator is doing business in this state.
- 2. The mold assessor's or mold remediator's 24-hour contact information.
- 3. A list of the mold assessor's or mold remediator's employees who will be engaged in mold assessment or mold remediation-related work in this state.
- 4. Verification that the mold assessor or mold remediator meets the educational and experience requirements and has passed a substantially similar examination as required for licensure as a mold assessor or mold remediator, as appropriate, pursuant to s. 468.8414.
- 5. Proof that the mold assessor or mold remediator has an active liability insurance policy that would cover liability for mold assessment or mold remediation-related work, as appropriate, in this state.
 - Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.