

1 **State of Arkansas**  
2 **79th General Assembly**  
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4 **By: Representative Hawkins**

# A Bill

**HOUSE BILL**

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## 7 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS CODE TO PROVIDE THAT ALL  
9 PERSONS LICENSED BY THE ARKANSAS STATE PLANT BOARD TO  
10 PERFORM PEST CONTROL SERVICE SHALL OFFER A WRITTEN  
11 CONTRACT FOR MOISTURE CONTROL WHEN EMPLOYED BY A PROPERTY  
12 OWNER TO CONTROL OR ERADICATE TERMITES OR OTHER STRUCTURAL  
13 PESTS AND SHALL OBTAIN A SIGNED WAIVER FROM A CLIENT WHO  
14 REJECTS THE MOISTURE CONTROL CONTRACT; THAT AN INTENTIONAL  
15 VIOLATION OF THE ARKANSAS PEST CONTROL ACT SHALL BE  
16 GROUNDS FOR INVALIDATION OR NONRENEWAL OF A LICENSE; AND  
17 FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

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## 19 **Subtitle**

20 "TO REQUIRE PEST CONTROL SERVICES TO OFFER WRITTEN  
21 MOISTURE CONTROL CONTRACTS WHEN OFFERING CONTROL SERVICES  
22 TO CUSTOMERS."

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24 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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26 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 17-30-221(a) is hereby amended to read as  
27 follows:

28 "(a) All licensed operators shall enter into a written contract with  
29 the property owner when employed to control or eradicate termites or other  
30 structural pests, or in such other classifications as the board may specify in  
31 its rules and regulations made under authority of this chapter. All licensed  
32 operators shall also offer a written contract for moisture control prior to  
33 entering into a contract with the property owner to control or eradicate  
34 termites or other structural pests and shall obtain a signed waiver from a  
35 client who rejects the moisture control contract. The contract for termite

1 and other structural pests shall guarantee the performance of the work for at  
2 least one (1) year and that the property meets the minimum standards  
3 established by the board in its rules and regulations for the work, unless  
4 these standards are waived or altered upon approval of the board."

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6 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code 17-30-217 is hereby amended to read as  
7 follows:

8 "Acts which shall be grounds for invalidation or nonrenewal of a license  
9 shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

10 (1) Misrepresentations for the purpose of deceiving or defrauding;

11 (2) Making of a false statement with knowledge of its falsity for the  
12 purpose of inducing others to act thereon to their damage;

13 (3) Failure of the licensee to supply the board or its authorized  
14 representative, upon request, with true and accurate information concerning  
15 methods and materials used or work performed or other information essential to  
16 the administration and enforcement of this chapter;

17 (4) Performing work, whether for compensation or not, in a  
18 classification for which the licensee does not have a license;

19 (5) If repeated inspections by the board reveal that the licensee is  
20 not securing satisfactory control of the pests or diseases which the licensee  
21 engages to control or eradicate;

22 (6) Failure of licensee to register agents or solicitors, or failure to  
23 pay registration, inspection, or reporting fees due, or failure to make  
24 reports within the time specified;

25 (7) Conviction in any court of a violation of this chapter or of FIFRA;

26 (8) Intentional misrepresentation in any application for a license;

27 (9) Failure to correct substandard work;

28 (10) Making a pesticide recommendation or application which is  
29 inconsistent with any or all of the following:

30 (A) The labeling;

31 (B) Federal or state registration; or

32 (C) Federal or state restrictions on the use of that pesticide;

33 (11) Falsification of records or failure to maintain or make available  
34 the records required by this chapter; and

35 (12) Intentional violation of this chapter."

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2        SECTION 3. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature  
3 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code  
4 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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6        SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to  
7 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect  
8 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without  
9 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this  
10 act are declared to be severable.

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12        SECTION 5. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are  
13 hereby repealed.

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