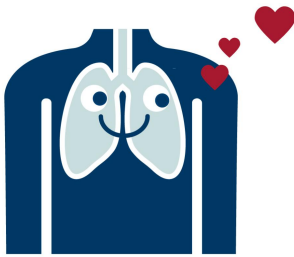


# Get Radon on your Radar: Radon Mitigation in Rental Properties

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## WHY DOES RADON NEED TO BE MITIGATED?

Radon is a harmful gas that comes out of the ground. Radon is both colorless and odorless and causes damage to a person's lungs. Over time radon exposure can lead to lung cancer.



In Minnesota, **2 in 5** homes have high radon.

Minnesota's average radon level is 3x higher than the national average. This risk is due to the type of soil and lack of home ventilation in the winter.

Currently there is no required radon disclosure or mitigation for the majority of rental properties in the state of Minnesota.

Minnesota law requires home sellers to disclose radon levels to a potential buyer during sale of a property. Right now there is no equivalent protection for renters.

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## WHAT DOES THIS BILL DO?

- Requires landlords to have a licensed radon professional regularly test the building's radon levels
- Requires disclosure of radon test results to current and future tenants
- Requires landlords to mitigate radon using services of a licensed radon professional
- Requires landlords distribute MDH's publications on radon dangers

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See Minnesota Department of Health's Website for more information on the dangers of Radon:

<https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/air/radon/index.html>

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