

## Snapshot: New State Radon Laws During the 2017-2018 Session

**Minnesota** enacted an omnibus health and human services budget bill (2017 Special Session Chapter 6) that extended the Act’s effective date by one year, allowing until January 1, 2019 for the completion of the needed regulatory and administrative infrastructure for the licensing activity.

**Nebraska** enacted NE L9 in 2017 to create a Task Force to develop minimum standards for radon resistant new construction (RRNC) to be enforced by a county, city, or village as part of its local building code. The task force will consider Appendix F of the *International Residential Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings*. The legislature will use the task force’s recommendations during the 2019 legislative session to establish the state’s minimum standard for RRNC.

**Virginia** enacted a law in 2018 directing the Department of Health to review consumer complaints regarding radon testing and mitigation and current certification requirements for individuals performing radon services; determine the benefits of any additional oversight for individuals performing radon testing and mitigation; and report findings and recommendations to the House and Senate Committees by December 1, 2018.

**Utah** enacted Act No. 236 in 2017 amending its state building code to require that, when passive radon controls or portions thereof are voluntarily installed, the installation shall comply with Appendix F of the *International Residential Code*. The law also states that additional inspection of a voluntary installation is not required.

<b>Radon Bills Proposed but Not Enacted During the 2017-2018 Session</b>	
<b>Subject</b>	<b>State(s) Where Introduced</b>
Disclosure of Radon Hazards	North Dakota
Homebuyer Notification/Awareness	Missouri
Mitigation in Child Care Facilities	New Jersey
Radon Professional License/Certification	District of Columbia, New York
Radon Resistant New Construction	Mississippi, New York
Radon Testing before New Home Occupancy	New Hampshire
Radon Testing in Public Schools and/or Child Care Facilities	Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Tennessee
Radon Testing before Home Sales	New York
Test Result Reporting	Connecticut

### Resources for Developing Legislative Responses to Radon Risk

**American Association of Radon Scientists and Technologists:** <http://aarst-nrpp.com/wp/state-local-policy/>

**Environmental Law Institute:** <https://www.eli.org/buildings/publications-topic#radon>

**NCSL:** <http://www.ncsl.org/research/environment-and-natural-resources/radon.aspx>