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**To: Ohio Licensed Radon Testers and Radon Mitigation Specialists**

**From: The Ohio Department of Health Indoor Radon Program**

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**Subject: Radon Testing Requirements for Schools**

**Date: August 20, 2009**

On July 17, 2009 Governor Ted Strickland signed House Bill 1, the biennial budget bill for Ohio, into law. House Bill 1 repealed Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Sections 3701.93 through 3701.936 and amended ORC 4736.01 thereby removing the enforcement of Jarod's Law from the definition of Environmental Health practice and amended language in ORC 3707.26 returning it to its previous language that existed prior to Jarod's Law. The practical effect of these statutory changes is that the language authorizing Jarod's Law is repealed.

The Ohio Department of Health will soon begin the process to rescind Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rules 3701-54-01 through 3701-54-09 by October 16, 2009. The inspection law reverts to previous OAC language requiring two inspections per year by local health departments. This earlier language does not specify what is to be inspected. Radon testing, after October 16, 2009, will no longer be a state requirement. However, ODH will continue to recommend the use of the Jarod's Law school inspection manual in the conduct of school inspections and some local health jurisdictions are considering adoption of local regulations that may include radon provisions.

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