VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 2017 RECONVENED SESSION

CHAPTER 805

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 54.1 a section numbered 54.1-517.2:1, relating to the Board for Asbestos, Lead, and Home Inspectors; home inspections; required information related to yellow shaded corrugated stainless steel tubing.

[S 812]

Approved April 5, 2017

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

- 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 54.1 a section numbered 54.1-517.2:1 as follows:
- § 54.1-517.2:1. Home inspection; required statement related to the presence of yellow shaded corrugated stainless steel tubing.

A. As used in this section:

"Bonding" means connecting metallic systems to establish electrical continuity and conductivity.

"Corrugated stainless steel tubing" or "CSST" means a flexible stainless steel pipe used to supply natural gas or propane in residential, commercial, and industrial structures.

"Grounding" means connecting to the ground or to a conductive body that extends to ground

connection.

B. If a home inspector observes the presence of any shade of yellow corrugated stainless steel tubing during a home inspection in a home that was built prior to the adoption of the 2006 Virginia Construction Code, effective May 1, 2008, he shall include that observation in the report along with the following statement: "Manufacturers believe that this product is safer if properly bonded and grounded as required by the manufacturer's installation instructions. Proper bonding and grounding of the product should be determined by a contractor licensed to perform the work in the Commonwealth of Virginia."