Amendment to HB 398

Amend the bill by replacing section 1 with the following:

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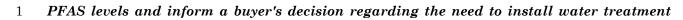
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1 Notification Required; PFAS. Amend the section heading of RSA 477:4-a and RSA 477:4-a, I to read as follows:

477:4-a Notification Required; Radon, Arsenic, [and] Lead and PFAS.

- I. Prior to the execution of any contract for the purchase and sale of any interest in real property which includes a building, the seller, or seller's agent, shall provide the following notification to the buyer. The buyer shall acknowledge receipt of this notification by signing a copy of such notification:
- "Radon: Radon, the product of decay of radioactive materials in rock, may be found in some areas of
- New Hampshire. Radon gas may pass into a structure through the ground or through water from a
- deep well. Testing of the air by a professional certified in radon testing and testing of the water by
- 13 an accredited laboratory can establish radon's presence and equipment is available to remove it from
- 14 the air or water."
- 15 "Arsenic: Arsenic is a common groundwater contaminant in New Hampshire that occurs at
- 16 unhealthy levels in well water in many areas of the state. Tests are available to determine whether
- 17 arsenic is present at unsafe levels, and equipment is available to remove it from water. The buyer is
- 18 encouraged to consult the New Hampshire department of environmental services private well testing
- 19 recommendations (www.des.nh.gov) to ensure a safe water supply if the subject property is served by
- 20 a private well."
- 21 "Lead: Before 1978, paint containing lead may have been used in structures. Exposure to lead from
- the presence of flaking, chalking, chipping lead paint or lead paint dust from friction surfaces, or
- 23 from the disturbance of intact surfaces containing lead paint through unsafe renovation, repair, or
- 24 painting practices, or from soils in close proximity to the building, can present a serious health
- 25 hazard, especially to young children and pregnant women. Lead may also be present in drinking
- 26 water as a result of lead in service lines, plumbing and fixtures. Tests are available to determine
- whether lead is present in paint or drinking water."
- 28 "PFAS: Poly and perfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are found in products that are used in
- 29 domestic, commercial, institutional and industrial settings. These chemical compounds
- 30 have been detected at levels that exceed federal and/or state advisories or standards in
- 31 wells throughout New Hampshire, but are more frequently detected at elevated levels in
- 32 southern New Hampshire. Testing of the water by an accredited laboratory can measure

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2 systems."