

SENATE BILL REPORT

HB 1102

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR, FEBRUARY 24, 1992

Brief Description: Requiring certification of electric spa equipment.

SPONSORS: Representatives Kremen, Heavey and Braddock

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR

SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE & LABOR

Majority Report: Do pass.

Signed by Senators Matson, Chairman; Anderson, Vice Chairman; McMullen, Moore, Murray, and Skratek.

Staff: Catherine Mele (786-7457)

Hearing Dates: February 20, 1992; February 24, 1992

BACKGROUND:

Since 1986, each piece of electrical equipment associated with spas, hot tubs, swimming pools, and hydromassage bathtubs has been required to bear a certification mark from an approved electrical products testing laboratory.

There are concerns that hydromassage bathtub pieces that are inspected separately and later installed as a unit may be unsafe. It is suggested that certification by an approved laboratory of the complete unit may provide additional consumer safety.

SUMMARY:

Hydromassage bathtubs may not be offered for sale or exchange unless the complete unit, the tub and the electrical equipment, is certified by an approved electrical products testing laboratory.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: requested February 17, 1992

TESTIMONY FOR: None

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: No one