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Directing the Department of Health to consider regulations in support of nanotechnology and other nontoxic means that 2 control bacteria, mold, mildew, fungi, algae, viruses and 3 volatile organic compounds (VOCs) causing noxious odors. 4 5 WHEREAS, The Department of Health is a Commonwealth-wide agency whose mission is to promote healthy lifestyles, prevent 6 injury and disease and to assure the safe delivery of quality healthcare for all Commonwealth citizens, partnering with county 8 9 and local health departments and community organizations; and 10 WHEREAS, Bacteria, mold, mildew, fungi, algae, viruses and 11 volatile organic compounds (VOCs) can cause various health-12 related issues; and 13 WHEREAS, Nanotechnology is a diverse application involving 14 the manipulation of matter on an atomic and molecular scale; and 15 WHEREAS, Public facilities should be tested for bacteria, 16 mold, mildew, fungi, algae, viruses and VOCs twice a year to be 17 documented on a Bionomic Assessment Report listing the outcome 18 of the tests; and

WHEREAS, Regulations should be reviewed to allow and

- 1 encourage the use of nanotechnology and other nontoxic means
- 2 that are proven to be effective for killing microbes and are not
- 3 harmful to people, places, animals and the environment; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Services such as nanotechnology that are provided to
- 5 public facilities should be delivered by certified technicians
- 6 and should carry a seal of certification for compliance in
- 7 keeping microbial contamination at safe levels as depicted by
- 8 ATP scales, which is an indicator for microbial activity;
- 9 therefore be it
- 10 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives direct the
- 11 Department of Health to consider regulations in support of
- 12 nanotechnology and other nontoxic means in order to control
- 13 bacteria, mold, mildew, fungi, algae, viruses and volatile
- 14 organic compounds (VOCs) causing noxious odors in order to
- 15 preserve the health and safety of all Commonwealth residents.