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By Representative Walen

1 On page 4, after line 4, insert the following:

2 "(6) Prior to bringing an action for damages pursuant to 3 subsection (5) of this section, the tenant must provide to the 4 landlord, by certified mail with a return receipt requested, a written 5 statement identifying specific violations that the tenant alleges have 6 occurred or are occurring. If, at least 30 days after issuing the 7 warning letter, the tenant believes that the landlord has failed to 8 cure any alleged violation, the tenant may bring an action against the 9 landlord pursuant to subsection (5) of this section."

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11 Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any 12 internal references accordingly.

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14 On page 7, at the beginning of line 26, insert "(1)"

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16 On page 7, after line 36, insert the following:

17 "(2) Prior to bringing an action for damages pursuant to 18 subsection (1) of this section, the attorney general must provide to 19 the landlord, by certified mail with a return receipt requested, a 20 written statement identifying specific violations that the attorney 21 general alleges have occurred or are occurring. If, at least 30 days 22 after issuing the warning letter, the attorney general believes that

- 23 the landlord has failed to cure any alleged violation, the attorney
- 24 general may bring an action against the landlord pursuant to
- 25 subsection (1) of this section."

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27 On page 12, after line 33, insert the following:

"(6) Prior to bringing an action for damages pursuant to subsection (5) of this section, the tenant must provide to the landlord, by certified mail with a return receipt requested, a written statement identifying specific violations that the tenant alleges have occurred or are occurring. If, at least 30 days after issuing the warning letter, the tenant believes that the landlord has failed to cure any alleged violation, the tenant may bring an action against the landlord pursuant to subsection (5) of this section."

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10 Renumber the remaining subsections consecutively and correct any 11 internal references accordingly.

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On page 15, at the beginning of line 32, insert "(1)"

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- On page 16, after line 3, insert the following:
- "(2) Prior to bringing an action for damages pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, the attorney general must provide to 18 the landlord, by certified mail with a return receipt requested, a 19 written statement identifying specific violations that the attorney 20 general alleges have occurred or are occurring. If, at least 30 days 21 after issuing the warning letter, the attorney general believes that 22 the landlord has failed to cure any alleged violation, the attorney 23 general may bring an action against the landlord pursuant to 24 subsection (1) of this section."

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Correct the title.

EFFECT: Creates a cure period of 30 days for landlords whereby, prior to filing an action for damages for noncompliance with this act, the Attorney General or a tenant must provide the landlord with notice of their alleged violations and provide an opportunity to correct them.

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