

Amendment: CT 5

Representative BANNISTER proposes the following amendment:

SECTION 117

NEW:

117.dp (GP: Disinfection and Cleaning) For the current fiscal year, agencies, and political subdivisions, including public school districts, may utilize federal funds authorized by the General Assembly to implement or procure cleaning, sanitization, and disinfection that, at a minimum, meets the most current requirements issued by the Department of Health and Environmental Control. These plans may be separate from standard cleaning procedures implemented and may include additional steps to address disinfection and sanitization of all surfaces in public areas on a proactive, recurring basis to mitigate the impact of any COVID-19 strains, as well as other communicable diseases. Additionally, agencies and political subdivisions must conduct a pre- and post-analysis, such as Adenosine Triphosphate (ATP) testing, to ensure that areas are properly disinfected. A residual antimicrobial may be used in public areas. All cleaning, disinfection, and sanitization products must be able to be safely used on a daily, weekly, or monthly basis and meet the following qualifications:

(1) be on the EPA approved disinfectant list (List N);

(2) be a broad-spectrum disinfectant that kills 99.9% of bacteria and viruses, including COVID-19, norovirus, influenza, e-coli, mold, fungi, and odor causing bacteria with a minimum exposure time of 30 seconds for SARSCoV-2;

(3) be safe for use on multiple solid surfaces without leaving a residue and non-corrosive when used at a rate of 100ppm; and

(4) be recognized by the Environmental Protection Agency and the United States Department of Agriculture as safe for use around food, including for use in cafeterias, kitchens, and other areas where food is prepared or consumed.

The preferred method for widespread disinfection and sanitization of public spaces, after all necessary and recommended cleaning, must include the use of electrostatic spraying application. Funds may be used to purchase or utilize ultraviolet (G-UVC) lighting in schools, institutions of higher education, healthcare facilities, detention centers, and other communal settings. Vendors procured to provide such services must have industry experience and expertise.