



Government agency may move out of moldy Sacramento headquarters
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SACRAMENTO, CA - After suffering through months of problems, California officials want to move state workers out of a [moldy government office](#) building in Sacramento.

Ramon Hirsig, executive director of the Board of Equalization, has persuaded lawmakers to draft a bill that would authorize his tax-collecting agency to find a new home.

The 24-story building at 450 N Street has been plagued by construction defects since it opened in 1993. Employees complain of broken elevators, leaky windows and mold in the walls. Four entire floors are sealed off because of potential [health](#) concerns.

The state was supposed to have spent \$15 million on mold remediation and repairs, but that tab has grown to \$68 million.

The 610,000 square foot high-rise originally cost \$79 million and has racked up nearly \$29 million in repair costs in just the past three years.

The bill is being carried by Democratic Assem. Dave Jones and Republican Sen. George Runner. It would authorize the agency to move out and sell or lease the building.

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