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(As Reported by S. Health, Human Services and Aging)

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BILL SUMMARY

LEAD POISONING PREVENTION

- Requires that each child at risk of lead poisoning undergo a blood lead screening test.
- Makes changes to the Child Lead Poisoning Prevention Program operated by the Department of Health.
- Creates an advisory council to assist in the development and implementation of the Child Lead Poisoning Prevention Program.
- Establishes requirements for investigation and risk assessment of a residential unit, child day-care facility, or school that may be the source of a child's lead poisoning.
- Provides for the issuance of a lead hazard control order if the results of a risk assessment indicate that a lead hazard on the property is contributing to a child's lead poisoning.
- Establishes the Lead Poisoning Prevention Fund.

** This analysis was prepared before the report of the Senate Health, Human Services and Aging Committee appeared in the Senate Journal. Note that the list of co-sponsors and the legislative history may be incomplete.*

- Provides that a residential unit, child day-care facility, or school constructed before 1950 is "legally presumed" not to be the source of an individual's lead poisoning if the property owner or manager implements preventive treatments, which include the performance of essential maintenance practices.
- Specifies procedures for the performance of essential maintenance practices and requires a person who engages in the essential maintenance practices to complete a training program.
- Requires training programs in essential maintenance practices to be approved by the Director of Health and limits the length of the programs to not more than six hours.
- Specifies training required to be authorized to perform lead-safe renovations.
- Establishes requirements for approval of lead-safe renovation training programs.
- Prohibits a person from using lead-safe renovation instead of a lead abatement on a property at which a lead-poisoned child has been identified.
- Establishes prohibitions and procedures for lead abatements.
- Permits the Director to issue an immediate cease work order if a license holder's activities endanger the health or well-being of certain persons.
- Provides for the Director of Health to license clearance technicians.
- Requires the Public Health Council to adopt rules governing lead abatement personnel licensure, lead poisoning prevention, and lead hazard control.

CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND BOARD

- Eliminates the Children's Trust Fund Board's involvement in the Wellness Block Grant Program.



- Makes the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) the administrative agent of the Wellness Block Grant Program instead of the Children's Trust Fund Board.
- Requires that the Children's Trust Fund Board allocate funds, rather than make a block grant, to each county and multi-county child abuse and child neglect prevention advisory board for child abuse and child neglect prevention programs.
- Requires the Children's Trust Fund Board to also allocate funds for child abuse and child neglect prevention programs to entities other than the advisory boards.
- Requires an advisory board to provide effective public notice to potential applicants about the availability of funds from the Children's Trust Fund.
- Requires an advisory board to review applications for grants from the Children's Trust Fund using criteria the Children's Trust Fund Board, rather than the advisory board, specifies.
- Requires that each recipient of a Children's Trust Fund grant from an advisory board include in an annual report information the Children's Trust Fund Board, rather than the advisory board, requires.
- Provides that returned Children's Trust Fund grants be returned to the State Treasurer if an advisory board does not redistribute the grant within the state fiscal year in which the grant is received.
- Requires five of the eight public members of the Children's Trust Fund Board to be residents of different metropolitan statistical areas.
- Changes the manner in which the chairperson of the Children's Trust Fund Board is to be appointed and requires the vice-chair of the Board to be biennially selected from among its non-legislative members.

COUNTY CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT PREVENTION ADVISORY BOARDS

- Includes social workers with counselors among the groups and entities that may be represented on a county or multi-county child abuse and child neglect prevention advisory board.

- Prohibits a child abuse and child neglect prevention advisory board member from participating in the development of the advisory board's comprehensive allocation plan if the member's judgment could be affected by a conflict of interest.

HISTORY

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