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Subject Lead risk assessments; lead orders

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Overview

This bill modifies requirements for assessing agencies to conduct lead risk assessments of locations where lead hazards are suspected, and allows assessing agencies to issue lead orders to order the performance of lead hazard reduction and remediation if a lead hazard migrates from a source location to other locations.

An assessing agency is the commissioner of health or a community health board. Assessing agencies conduct lead risk assessments following reports of children or pregnant women with elevated blood lead levels and issue lead orders to compel property owners to perform lead hazard reduction.

Summary

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1 Lead hazard reduction.

Amends § 144.9501, subd. 17. Amends a definition of lead hazard reduction to allow it to take place at any location where lead hazards are identified (current law allows it to take place at a residence, child care facility, school, or playground).

2 Reports of blood lead analysis required.

Amends § 144.9502, subd. 3. Amends a subdivision establishing requirements for health care clinics and facilities to report results of blood lead analyses to the commissioner, to specify that the commissioner may prescribe the manner in which a clinic or facility must report the results.

3 Lead risk analysis.

Amends § 144.9504, subd. 2. Makes the following changes to a subdivision governing lead risk assessments conducted by assessing agencies:

 expands the locations where an assessing agency must conduct a lead risk assessment to include child care facilities, playgrounds, schools, and other

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locations where lead hazards are suspected (under current law assessing agencies must conduct lead risk assessments of residences);

- requires a lead risk assessment to be conducted within ten working days if a child has a venous blood lead level of ten micrograms of lead per deciliter of blood, rather than 15 micrograms as in current law;
- requires a lead risk assessment to be conducted within 20 working days if a child or pregnant female at a location where lead hazards are suspected has a venous blood lead level of five micrograms of lead per deciliter of blood; and
- provides that lead risk assessments must be conducted if a child under 18 has one of the listed blood lead levels, rather than if a child age 6 or under has one of the listed blood lead levels.

4 Lead orders.

Amends § 144.9504, subd. 5. Expands an assessing agency's authority to order lead hazard reduction. If an assessing agency finds a lead hazard at a property originated from another source location, allows the assessing agency to order the responsible person of the source location to both: (1) perform lead hazard reduction at the lead risk assessment site; and (2) remediate conditions at the source location that allowed the lead to migrate.

5 Lead risk assessments.

Amends § 256B.0625, subd. 52. Updates a cross-reference to conform with a paragraph relettering in section 144.9504, subdivision 2.



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