

# HOUSE BILL NO. 4743

June 20, 2019, Introduced by Reps. Tate, Howell, Jones, Sowerby, Tyrone Carter, Stone and Garza  
and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Outdoor Recreation.

A bill to amend 2016 PA 560, entitled  
"Michigan veterans' facility authority act,"  
(MCL 36.101 to 36.112) by adding section 6a.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1       Sec. 6a. (1) The authority shall conduct sampling, analysis,  
2       and remediation of lead contamination in drinking water taps and  
3       other sources of drinking water used for human consumption at a  
4       veterans' facility. The authority shall conduct the sampling and  
5       analysis required under this section within 1 year after the



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1 opening date of a veterans' facility and at least once every 3  
2 years after that date.

3 (2) The sampling and analysis conducted under this section  
4 must comply with all of the following:

5 (a) Sampling must be conducted at all buildings where  
6 residents, staff, and other users of the veterans' facility are  
7 present.

8 (b) A sample must be taken at each drinking water tap and any  
9 other source of drinking water used for human consumption in each  
10 of the buildings described in subdivision (a).

11 (c) Testing protocols must include a first-draw sample that is  
12 taken after at least 6 hours of stagnation in a 250 ml bottle.

13 (3) The analysis of samples collected under this section must  
14 be conducted by a laboratory certified by the department of  
15 environmental quality or the United States Environmental Protection  
16 Agency for the testing of contaminants listed in the state drinking  
17 water standards as that term is defined in the safe drinking water  
18 act, 1976 PA 399, MCL 325.1001 to 325.1023.

19 (4) The authority shall make available the results of the  
20 sampling and analysis conducted under this section in the  
21 administrative office of the veterans' facility where the sampling  
22 and analysis was conducted and provide a report of those results to  
23 the Michigan veterans affairs agency. The Michigan veterans affairs  
24 agency shall make the information received under this subsection  
25 available on the agency's website.

26 (5) If the sampling and analysis conducted under this section  
27 shows evidence of lead in the sampled drinking water at a level  
28 higher than 12 mg/L, the authority shall do all of the following:

29 (a) Immediately take out of service the drinking water tap or



1 other source of drinking water used for human consumption from  
2 which the sample was taken.

3 (b) Provide direct notification to the Michigan veterans  
4 affairs agency and, in a manner approved by the Michigan veterans  
5 affairs agency, to the residents, staff, and other users of the  
6 veterans' facility where the sampling and analysis was conducted.

7 (6) The sampling and analysis requirement provided in this  
8 section does not apply if a licensed plumber or a licensed  
9 professional engineer determines that a veterans' facility building  
10 is lead free. The determination described in this subsection must  
11 be documented in a signed statement by the person making the  
12 determination.

