

SENATE BILL NO. 399

August 20, 2019, Introduced by Senator RUNESTAD and referred to the Committee on Environmental Quality.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled
"Public health code,"
(MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding section 5478b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 5478b. (1) The commission shall do all of the following:
- 2 (a) Study environmental threats of lead poisoning to
- 3 children's health.
- 4 (b) Review the lead poisoning prevention program established
- 5 under section 5474 and evaluate the effectiveness of the program,

1 including, but not limited to, the ability of the program to
2 satisfy federal law requirements that 100% of all young children
3 enrolled in Medicaid are screened with a blood lead test.

4 (c) Make recommendations for improvements to the lead
5 poisoning prevention program established under section 5474.

6 (2) The commission shall consider all information received
7 from its public hearings, review information from other sources,
8 and study the experiences of other states. The commission shall
9 develop short- and long-range strategic recommendations for
10 childhood lead poisoning prevention and control in this state. The
11 recommendations shall include, but are not limited to, strategies
12 to do all of the following:

13 (a) Enhance public and professional awareness of lead
14 poisoning as a child health emergency.

15 (b) Significantly increase blood lead testing rates for young
16 children.

17 (c) Eliminate or manage the sources of lead poisoning,
18 especially focusing on lead-based paint in aged housing.

19 (d) Ensure state interagency as well as public and private
20 cooperation and communication regarding resolution of this complex
21 environmental and public health problem.

22 (3) The commission shall submit a written report of its
23 findings, including the recommendations under subsection (2), to
24 the governor and the legislature by March 31, 2020 and annually
25 after that by March 31 of each year. A representative of the
26 department of health and human services shall provide testimony
27 summarizing the findings and recommendations of the commission to
28 the standing committees of the senate and house of representatives
29 with jurisdiction over issues pertaining to public health and

1 children.

2 (4) As used in this section, "commission" means the childhood
3 lead poisoning prevention and control commission established and
4 appointed by the governor under section 5478a.

5 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect 90 days
6 after the date it is enacted into law.

7 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
8 unless Senate Bill No. 398 of the 100th Legislature is enacted into
9 law.