

HOUSE BILL 133

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By: **Chair, Environment and Transportation Committee (By Request –
Departmental – Environment)**

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Environment – Reduction of Lead Risk in Housing – Notification of Elevated**
3 **Blood Lead Level**

4 FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of the Environment or a local health
5 department to notify certain persons on receipt of the results of a blood lead test
6 having a certain elevated blood lead level; and generally relating to the reduction of
7 lead risk in housing.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article – Environment
10 Section 6–304 and 6–846
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2013 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
14 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article – Environment**

16 6–304.

17 (a) The Secretary shall assist local governments, if necessary, to provide case
18 management of children with elevated blood lead levels greater than or equal to [15] 10
19 micrograms per deciliter ($\mu\text{g}/\text{dl}$).

20 (b) [A local health department that receives the] **ON RECEIPT OF THE** results of
21 a blood test for lead poisoning indicating that a child under 6 years of age has an elevated
22 blood lead level greater than or equal to [15] 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dl}$ [and less than 20 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dl}$], **THE**
23 **DEPARTMENT OR A LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT** shall notify:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 (1) The child's [parents] **PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN**; and

2 (2) In the case of a child who lives in a rental dwelling unit, the owner of
3 the rental dwelling unit where the child resides.

4 6-846.

5 (a) [A local health department that receives] **ON RECEIVING** the results of a
6 blood lead test under § 6-303 of this title indicating that a person at risk has an EBL
7 greater than or equal to 15 µg/dl before February 24, 2006, or greater than or equal to 10
8 µg/dl on or after February 24, 2006, **THE DEPARTMENT OR A LOCAL HEALTH**
9 **DEPARTMENT** shall notify:

10 (1) The person at risk, or in the case of a minor, the parent **OR LEGAL**
11 **GUARDIAN** of the person at risk, of the results of the test; and

12 (2) The owner of the affected property in which the person at risk resides
13 or regularly spends at least 24 hours per week of the results of the test.

14 (b) The notices to be provided to the parent or owner under subsection (a) of this
15 section shall be on the forms prepared by the Department, and shall contain any
16 information required by the Department.

17 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED**, That this Act shall take effect
18 October 1, 2017.