

1 **LEAD EXPOSURE EDUCATION AND TESTING**

2 **AMENDMENTS**

3 2021 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Stewart E. Barlow**

6 Senate Sponsor: _____

8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This bill creates a program to increase testing and education regarding lead exposure for
11 children.

12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13 This bill:

14 ▶ creates a program within the Department of Health to increase education and testing
15 for lead exposure in children ~~and~~ .

16 ~~creates a restricted account to fund the activities of the program created in this bill.~~

17 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

18 None

19 **Other Special Clauses:**

20 None

21 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

22 ENACTS:

23 **26-10-15**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

25 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

26 Section 1. Section **26-10-15** is enacted to read:

27 **26-10-15. Lead exposure public education and testing.**



28 (1) ~~H→~~ [(a)] ~~←H~~ The department shall establish ~~H→~~ [and] a child blood lead
28a epidemiology and surveillance program to:
28b (a) encourage pediatric health care providers to include a lead test in accordance with
28c the department's recommendations under Subsection (2); and
28d (b) ~~←H~~ conduct a public education program to
29 inform parents of children who are two years old or younger regarding:
30 (i) the effects of lead exposure in children;
31 (ii) the availability of free screening and testing for lead exposure; and
32 (iii) other available preventative measures.
33 ~~H→~~ [(b)] (2) ~~←H~~ The department may recommend consideration of screening and testing
33a during the
34 first year or second year well child clinical visit.
35 ~~H→~~ [(2)] (3) ~~←H~~ (a) The department shall provide the information described in Subsection
35a (1) to
36 organizations that regularly provide care or services for children who are 5 years old or
37 younger.
38 (b) The department may work with the following organizations to share the
39 information described in Subsection (1):
40 (i) a child care program licensed under Title 26, Chapter 39, Utah Child Care Licensing
41 Act, and the employees of the child care program;
42 (ii) a health care facility licensed under Title 26, Chapter 21, Health Care Facility
43 Licensing and Inspection Act;
44 (iii) a person providing child care under a program that is described in Subsection
45 26-39-403(2);
46 (iv) an individual offering health education in a school district, including a school
47 nurse under Section 53G-9-204;
48 (v) a health care provider offering care to pregnant women and infants;
49 (vi) a religious, ecclesiastical, or denominational organization offering children's
50 programs as a part of worship services;
51 (vii) an organization that advocates for public education, testing, and screening of
52 children for lead exposure; ~~H→~~ [and]
52a (viii) a local health department as defined in Section 26A-1-102; and ~~←H~~
53 ~~H→~~ [(viii)] (ix) ~~←H~~ any other person that the department believes would advance public
53a education
54 regarding the effects of lead exposure on children.
54a ~~H→~~ (4) The department shall seek grant funding to fund the program created in this
54b section. ~~←H~~

55 ~~☛H→ [(3)(a) There is created a restricted account within the General Fund known as the~~
56 ~~"Childhood Lead Testing Prevention and Education Restricted Account."~~
57 ~~———— (b) The restricted account consists of:~~
58 ~~———— (i) money appropriated to the restricted account by the Legislature;] ←H~~

59 ~~H→ [(ii) private donations; and~~
60 ~~—— (iii) all income and interest derived from the deposit and investment of money in the~~
61 ~~account.~~
62 ~~—— (c) Subject to legislative appropriations, money in the restricted account may be used~~
63 ~~to fund activities related to the program created in this section.] ←H~~