

HOUSE BILL No. 1313

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 16-41-39.4.

Synopsis: Screening children for lead poisoning. Requires the state department of health to establish guidance and standards for health care providers for screening children in Indiana for lead poisoning from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2026. Requires a health care provider who provides health care services to a child who is less than six years of age to take certain actions concerning a blood lead screening test from January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2026. Specifies that a parent or guardian is not required to have their child receive a blood lead screening test.

Effective: January 1, 2023.

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January 11, 2022, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.



Second Regular Session of the 122nd General Assembly (2022)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-41-39.4-10 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 10. (a) The state department**
4 **shall establish guidance and standards for health care providers**
5 **for screening children in Indiana for lead poisoning. When**
6 **developing the guidance and standards, the state department shall**
7 **consult with the American Academy of Pediatrics.**

8 (b) The state department shall make the guidance and standards
9 established under subsection (a) available on the state
10 department's Internet web site.

11 (c) This section expires December 31, 2026.

12 SECTION 2. IC 16-41-39.4-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
13 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
14 [EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023]: **Sec. 11. (a) A health care**
15 **provider who provides health care services to a child who is less**
16 **than six (6) years of age shall do the following:**

17 (1) Determine whether the child has had a blood lead



- 1 screening test.
- 2 (2) If the child has had a blood lead screening test, determine
- 3 at what age the child was tested and the results of the blood
- 4 lead screening test.
- 5 (3) If the child has not had a blood lead screening test and is:
- 6 (A) at least nine (9) months old; and
- 7 (B) less than seventy-two (72) months old;
- 8 offer a lead poisoning screening in accordance with guidance
- 9 and standards established by the state department under
- 10 section 10 of this chapter.
- 11 (b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require a parent
- 12 or guardian to have their child receive a blood lead screening test.
- 13 (c) This section expires December 31, 2026.

