STATE OF NEW YORK

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Introduced by M. of A. JOYNER -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to screening for lead poisoning in children

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 1370-e of the public health law is amended by adding two new subdivisions 6 and 7 to read as follows:

6. The department shall require primary care providers to recommend follow up blood lead level screenings to parents of children whose blood lead levels test at not less than 15 micrograms per deciliter of whole blood up to 24.99 micrograms per deciliter of whole blood.

7. If a child's blood level test is above 25 micrograms per deciliter of whole blood, the commissioner or his designee shall take appropriate measures to ensure that an environmental investigation, as required by subpart 67-2 of title ten of the New York state codes, rules and regulations, is completed. If the department finds that the investigation has not been completed within one hundred eighty days of its notice of the blood lead level finding, the department shall complete such investigation immediately. The department may take reasonable measures to collect the costs of conducting these assessments from entities originally responsible for conducting them.

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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