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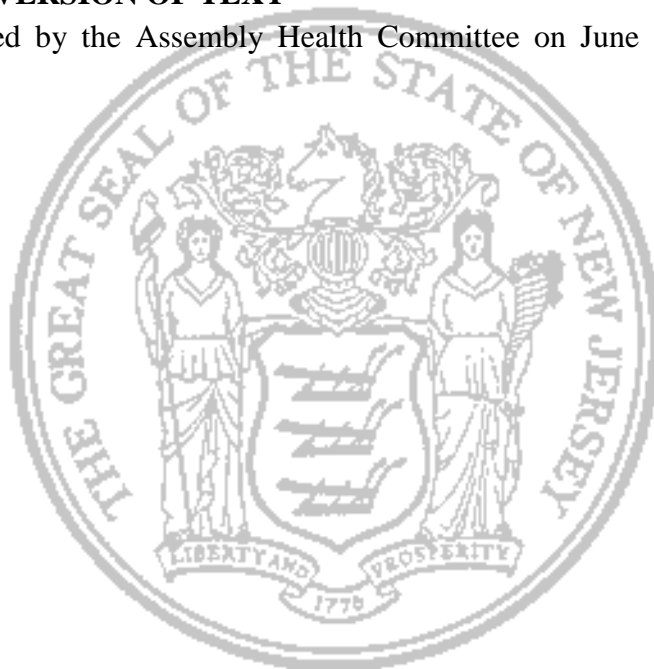
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SYNOPSIS

Revises statutory definition of “elevated blood lead level.”

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Health Committee on June 17, 2024, with amendments.



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1 AN ACT concerning elevated blood lead levels and amending
2 P.L.1995, c.328.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. Section 2 of P.L.1995, c.328 (C.26:2-137.3) is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 2. As used in this act:

10 "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Health.

11 "Department" means the Department of Health.

12 "Elevated blood lead level" means a level of lead in the
13 bloodstream that equals or exceeds **[five]** ¹**[3.5]** micrograms per
14 deciliter or other such the¹ amount ¹**[as may be]**¹ identified in the
15 most recent recommendations from the federal Centers for Disease
16 Control and Prevention, and that necessitates the undertaking of
17 responsive action.

18 "Lead poisoning" means the poisoning of the bloodstream that
19 results from prolonged exposure to lead or lead-based substances in
20 water, paint, building materials, or the environment, and which
21 causes uncorrectable developmental delay and decreased mental
22 functioning capacity in children, and in severe cases, can lead to a
23 child's premature death.

24 "Lead screening" means the application of a detection technique
25 to measure a child's blood lead level and determine the extent of a
26 child's recent exposure to lead.

27 (cf: P.L.2017, c.7, s.4)

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29 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **[thus]** in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AHE committee amendments adopted June 17, 2024.