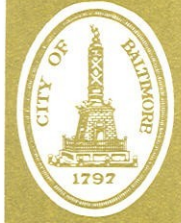


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DATE: April 4, 2011

TO  
The Honorable President and  
Members of the City Council  
Room 400, City Hall  
  
Attention: Ms. Karen Randle

City Council bill 11-0265R has been introduced for the purpose of requesting the Commissioner of Housing and the Commissioner of Health address the City Council on the loss of Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds for lead abatement in houses of low-income residents with children.

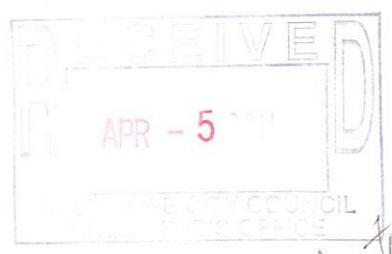
The Health Department assumed management of the City's lead abatement program in 2007 and received \$3.9 million in funding from HUD to abate lead-based paint in 364 houses by June 30, 2011. In April 2010, the Health Department realized it would not be able to meet this goal, and requested a 6-month, no-cost extension from HUD, but was unable to meet HUD Lead Abatement Grant requirements. As of April 1, 2011, lead paint abatement activities have shifted from the Health Department to the City's Department of Housing and Community Development.

The Department of Housing and Community Development had previously considered requesting incorporation of this program into its service portfolio. Lead abatement work will continue through the utilization of approximately \$1 million in State capital funds and local Community Block Development Grant funds; restoration of federal funds will be required in the future if the Department of Housing and Community Development wishes to increase the programmatic scope and number of low-income households served.

With respect to this legislation, the Department of Finance defers to the Department of Housing and Community Development and the Health Department to provide information on coordination, implementation, and transfer of responsibilities for lead paint abatement between the City agencies.

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