THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

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INTRODUCED BY BISHOP, LEDERER, GEORGE, PHILLIPS, LAUGHLIN, BEBKO-JONES, MELIO, THOMAS, DeLUCA, LEACH, HENNESSEY, DIVEN, YOUNGBLOOD, E. Z. TAYLOR, CIVERA, JOSEPHS, JAMES, CRUZ, BELFANTI, DALEY, HARHAI, GRUCELA, KIRKLAND, TANGRETTI, WATERS, BROWNE, J. WILLIAMS, HORSEY AND CURRY, FEBRUARY 11, 2003

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, FEBRUARY 11, 2003

AN ACT

- 1 Providing for lead-level testing of playgrounds, schools and 2 parks; and making an appropriation.
- 3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 4 hereby enacts as follows:
- 5 Section 1. Short title.
- 6 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Lead-Level
- 7 Testing Act.
- 8 Section 2. Definitions.
- 9 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
- 10 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 11 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 12 "Department." The Department of Health of the Commonwealth.
- 13 "Risk area." Any of the following:
- 14 (1) A playground.
- 15 (2) A public, private or parochial elementary or

- 1 secondary school.
- 2 (3) A public park.
- 3 Section 3. Testing and reporting.
- 4 (a) Testing. -- The department shall test the paint in risk
- 5 areas to determine the presence and levels of lead in paint. The
- 6 department shall schedule testing so that all risk areas in this
- 7 Commonwealth are tested within five years.
- 8 (b) Report.--The department shall publish in the
- 9 Pennsylvania Bulletin an annual report of the testing under
- 10 subsection (a).
- 11 Section 4. Appropriation.
- 12 The sum of \$, or as much thereof as may be necessary, is
- 13 hereby appropriated to the Department of Health for the fiscal
- 14 year July 1, 2003, to June 30, 2004, to carry out the provisions
- 15 of this act.
- 16 Section 5. Effective date.
- 17 This act shall take effect in 60 days.