

S.F. No. 2340 – Lead hazard reduction

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Section 1 [Lead hazard reduction] amends the definition of “lead hazard reduction” to include swab team services. Also excludes renovations primarily intended to remodel, repair, or restore a structure or dwelling. Excludes activities that disturb less than 20 square feet of exterior surfaces or 2 square feet of interior surfaces; this language is part of the language being stricken from the definition of “regulated lead work” in section 2.

Section 2 [Regulated lead work] amends the definition of “regulated lead work” to include lead hazard reduction. Allows the commissioner to issue lead orders. Strikes certain activities that disturb a specified amount of surface area.

Section 3 [Renovation] amends the definition of “renovation” to specify that it is modification for compensation. Excludes activities that disturb less than 20 square feet of exterior surfaces or 2 square feet of interior surfaces; this language is part of the language being stricken from the definition of “regulated lead work” in section 2.

Section 4 [Compensation] defines “compensation” to mean money or payment for regulated lead work.

Section 5 [Individual] defines “individual” to mean a natural person.

Section 6 [Licensing, certification, and permitting] strikes current licensing exemptions for the property owner or a relative of the property. Provides that individual residential property owners who perform regulated lead work on their own homes are exempt from licensure and certification requirements. However, the exemption does not apply when the regulated lead work is a renovation performed for compensation, when a child with an elevated blood level has been identified in the residence or building, or when the residence is occupied by people who are not related to the property owner. Strikes a paragraph that requires a person who employs others to perform regulated lead work outside of the person’s property to obtain certification as a certified lead firm.

Section 7 [Certified lead firm] requires a person who performs or employs individuals to perform regulated leadwork to obtain a certification as a lead firm. (Current law only applies to a person who employs individuals to perform regulated leadwork.) Certification as a lead firm is required regardless of whether the work is done on or off the person's property.

Section 8 [Certified renovation firm] requires a person who performs or employs individuals to perform renovations for compensation to obtain certification as a renovation firm. (Current law only applies to a person who employs individual to perform renovations.) This applies regardless of whether the work is done on or off the person's property.

Section 9 [Regulated lead work standards and methods] requires the commissioner to adopt rules consistent with regulations adopted under the Toxic Substances Control Act. Strikes the reference to property where a child or pregnant female resides so renovations in all pre-1978 properties are done safely.

Section 10 [Repealer] repeals Minn. Stat. 144.9505. This section requires the commissioner to provide health and safety information on lead abatement and lead hazard reduction to licensed residential building contractors.