

HB 494 -- Lead Poisoning Abatement

Sponsor: Oxford

This bill changes the laws regarding lead poisoning abatement projects. The Director of the Department of Health and Senior Services is authorized to levy fines and initiate civil actions against persons who violate lead abatement regulations. Revenues from the fines will be deposited into the Public Health Services Fund.

If a contractor fails to notify the department prior to the commencement of a lead abatement project, the contractor will be fined \$1,000 for the first offense and \$2,000 for the second offense. Subsequent violations will be considered a class D felony and result in the doubling of the fines.

Contractors are required to submit a final inspection certification to the department after completing a lead abatement project.