Public Law 93-151

AN ACT

To amend the Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) section 101(a) of the Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act is amended by striking out “units of general local government in any State” and inserting in lieu thereof “public agencies of units of general local government in any State and to private nonprofit organizations in any State”.

(b) Section 101(b) of such Act is amended by striking out “75 per centum” and inserting in lieu thereof “30 per centum”.

(c) Section 101 of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(e) The Secretary is also authorized to make grants to State agencies for the purpose of establishing centralized laboratory facilities for analyzing biological and environmental lead specimens obtained from local lead based paint poisoning detection programs.”.

(d) Section 101 of such Act is further amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(f) No grant may be made under this section unless the Secretary determines that there is satisfactory assurance that (A) the services to be provided will constitute an addition to, or a significant improvement in quality (as determined in accordance with criteria of the Secretary) in, services that would otherwise be provided, and (B) Federal funds made available under this section for any period will be so used as to supplement and, to the extent practical, increase the level of State, local, and other non-Federal funds that would, in the absence of such Federal funds, be made available for the program described in this section, and will in no event supplant such State, local, and other non-Federal funds.”.

Sec. 2. (a) Section 201 of the Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act is amended by striking out “units of general local government in any State” and inserting in lieu thereof “public agencies of units of general local government in any State and to private nonprofit organizations in any State”.

(b) Section 201(a)(2) of such Act is amended to read as follows:

“(2) the development and carrying out of procedures to remove from exposure to young children all interior surfaces of residential housing, porches, and exterior surfaces of such housing to which children may be commonly exposed, in those areas that present a high risk for the health of residents because of the presence of lead based paints. Such programs should include those surfaces on which non-lead-based paints have been used to cover surfaces to which lead based paints were previously applied; and”.

(c) Section 201 of such Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(c) Any public agency, of a unit of local government or private nonprofit organization which receives assistance under this Act shall make available to the Secretary and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, for purposes of audit and examination, any books, documents, papers, and records that are pertinent to the assistance received by such public agency of a unit of local government or private nonprofit organization under this Act.”
SEC. 3. Section 301 of the Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act is amended to read as follows:

"FEDERAL DEMONSTRATION AND RESEARCH PROGRAM"

"Sec. 301. (a) The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, in consultation with the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, shall develop and carry out a demonstration and research program to determine the nature and extent of the problem of lead based paint poisoning in the United States, particularly in urban areas, including the methods by which the lead based paint hazard can most effectively be removed from interior surfaces, porches, and exterior surfaces of residential housing to which children may be exposed.

(b) The Chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission shall conduct appropriate research on multiple layers of dried paint film, containing the various lead compounds commonly used, in order to ascertain the safe level of lead in residential paint products. No later than December 31, 1974, the Chairman shall submit to Congress a full and complete report of his findings and recommendations as developed pursuant to such programs, together with a statement of any legislation which should be enacted or any changes in existing law which should be made in order to carry out such recommendations."

SEC. 4. (a) Title III of the Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act is amended—

(1) by adding at the end thereof the following:

"FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION REQUIREMENTS"

"Sec. 302. The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (hereafter in this section referred to as the 'Secretary') shall establish procedures to eliminate as far as practicable the hazards of lead based paint poisoning with respect to any existing housing which may present such hazards and which is covered by an application for mortgage insurance or housing assistance payments under a program administered by the Secretary. Such procedures shall apply to all such housing constructed prior to 1950 and shall as a minimum provide for (1) appropriate measures to eliminate as far as practicable immediate hazards due to the presence of paint which may contain lead and to which children may be exposed, and (2) assured notification to purchasers and tenants of such housing of the hazards of lead based paint, of the symptoms and treatment of lead based paint poisoning, and of the importance and availability of maintenance and removal techniques for eliminating such hazards. Such procedures may apply to housing constructed during or after 1950 if the Secretary determines, in his discretion, that such housing presents hazards of lead based paint. The Secretary may establish such other procedures as may be appropriate to carry out the purposes of this section. Further, the Secretary shall establish and implement procedures to eliminate the hazards of lead based paint poisoning in all federally owned properties prior to the sale of such properties when their use is intended for residential habitation.

(2) by inserting after "PROGRAM", in the caption of such title, a semicolon and the following: "FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION REQUIREMENTS";

(b) The amendments made by subsection (a) of this section become effective upon the expiration of ninety days following the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 5. Section 401 of the Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act is amended to read as follows:

"FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION REQUIREMENTS"
"PROHIBITION AGAINST USE OF LEAD BASED PAINT IN CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES AND THE MANUFACTURE OF CERTAIN TOYS AND UTENSILS"

"Sec. 401. The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, in consultation with the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, shall take such steps and impose such conditions as may be necessary or appropriate—

"(1) to prohibit the use of lead based paint in residential structures constructed or rehabilitated by the Federal Government, or with Federal assistance in any form, after the date of enactment of this Act, and

"(2) to prohibit the application of lead based paint to any toy, furniture, cooking utensil, drinking utensil, or eating utensil manufactured and distributed after the date of enactment of this Act."

Sec. 6. Section 501(3) of the Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act is amended to read as follows:

"(3) the term 'lead based paint' means—

"(A) prior to December 31, 1974, any paint containing more than five-tenths of 1 per centum lead by weight (calculated as lead metal) in the total nonvolatile content of liquid paints or in the dried film of paint already applied;

"(B) after December 31, 1974, any paint containing more than six one-hundredths of 1 per centum lead by weight (calculated as lead metal) in the total nonvolatile content of liquid paints or in the dried film of paint already applied, except that if prior to December 31, 1974, the Chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, based on studies conducted in accordance with section 301(b) of this Act, determines that another level of lead, not to exceed five-tenths of 1 per centum, is safe, then such other level shall be effective after December 31, 1974."

Sec. 7. (a) Section 503(a) of the Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act is amended (1) by striking out the word "and" and inserting in lieu thereof a comma, and (2) by inserting before the period a comma and the following: "and $25,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1974 and 1975".

(b) Section 503(b) of such Act is amended (1) by striking out the word "and" and inserting in lieu thereof a comma, and (2) by inserting before the period a comma and the following: "and $35,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1974 and 1975".

(c) Section 503(c) of such Act is amended (1) by striking out the word "and" and by inserting in lieu thereof a comma, and (2) by inserting before the period a comma and the following: "and $3,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 1974 and 1975".

(d) Section 503(d) of such Act is amended by striking out all matter after the semicolon and inserting in lieu thereof "and any amounts authorized for one fiscal year but not appropriated may be appropriated for the succeeding fiscal year."

(e) Title V of the Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new sections:

"ELIGIBILITY OF CERTAIN STATE AGENCIES"

"Sec. 504. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, grants authorized under sections 101 and 201 of this Act may be made to an
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agency of State government in any case where State government provides direct services to citizens in local communities or where units of general local government within the State are prevented by State law from implementing or receiving such grants or from expending such grants in accordance with their intended purpose.

"ADVISORY BOARDS"

"Sec. 505. (a) The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, in consultation with the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, is authorized to establish a National Childhood Lead Based Paint Poisoning Advisory Board to advise the Secretary on policy relating to the administration of this Act. Members of the Board shall include residents of communities and neighborhoods affected by lead based paint poisoning. Each member of the National Advisory Board who is not an officer of the Federal Government is authorized to receive an amount equal to the minimum daily rate prescribed for GS-18, under section 5332 of title 5, United States Code, for each day he is engaged in the actual performance of his duties (including traveltime) as a member of the Board. All members shall be reimbursed for travel, subsistence, and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

(b) The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, in consultation with the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, shall promulgate regulations for establishment of an advisory board for each local program assisted under this Act to assist in carrying out this program. Two-thirds of the members of the board shall be residents of communities and neighborhoods affected by lead based paint poisoning. A majority of the board shall be appointed from among parents, who, when appointed, have at least one child under six years of age. Each member of a local advisory board shall only be reimbursed for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of his duties as a member of the board.

"EFFECT UPON STATE LAW"

"Sec. 506. It is hereby expressly declared that it is the intent of the Congress to supersede any and all laws of the States and units of local government insofar as they may now or hereafter provide for a requirement, prohibition, or standard relating to the lead content in paints or other similar surface-coating materials which differs from the provisions of this Act or regulations issued pursuant to this Act. Any law, regulation, or ordinance purporting to establish such different requirement, prohibition, or standard shall be null and void.

Sec. 8. Section 314(e) of the Public Health Service Act is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

"No funds appropriated pursuant to the authorization of this subsection shall be available for lead based paint poisoning control of the type authorized under the Lead Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (84 Stat. 2078)."

Approved November 9, 1973.