

## CHAPTER 308

(House Bill 434)

AN ACT concerning

## Medical Laboratories - Blood Lead Reporting

FOR the purpose of requiring that a medical laboratory report to a local health department the results of certain blood lead tests above a certain level that indicate a risk of lead poisoning greater than a certain level; and requiring that local health departments report certain information under this Act to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

BY adding to

Article - Health - General  
Section 17-202.2  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1982 Volume and 1984 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article - Health - General

17-202.2.

(A) IN THIS SECTION, "CLASS I" MEANS THE LOW RISK CATEGORY OR ANY SUCCESSOR CATEGORY FOR BLOOD LEAD POISONING THAT IS DEFINED BY THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL.

(B) A MEDICAL LABORATORY SHALL REPORT THE RESULTS OF ANY POSITIVE-BLOOD-LEAD-TEST BLOOD LEAD OR ERYTHROCYTE PROTOPORPHYRIN TEST THAT INDICATES A RISK OF LEAD POISONING THAT IS GREATER THAN CLASS I PERFORMED ON ANY CHILD 18 YEARS AND UNDER TO THE LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT OF THE JURISDICTION WHERE THE CHILD RESIDES. A TEST--IS--POSITIVE--IF--THE--BLOOD--LEAD--LEVEL--IS--30--MICROGRAMS-PER-DECILITER-OF-BLOOD-OR-ABOVE.

(C) A LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT ANY INFORMATION IT RECEIVES UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION TO THE DEPARTMENT.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1985.

Approved May 21, 1985.

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