

(i) Must own a building in need of radon gas [,] OR asbestos [, or lead paint] abatement, that is otherwise structurally sound or must provide a commitment from a lender to finance necessary improvements to make the building structurally sound; and

(ii) Must submit to the Department a proposal for the necessary treatment which complies with the Department of the Environment requirements and procedures for radon gas [,] OR asbestos [, or lead paint] abatement to provide a safe environment.

(2) In addition to the requirements in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the owner of a building:

(i) Must reside in the building and be a family of limited income;

(ii) Must rent at least two-thirds of the dwelling units in the building to families of limited income; OR

(iii) Must provide congregate or group housing or temporary shelters to families of limited income [; or

(iv) In the case of lead paint abatement loans, must provide services for children, such as a licensed child day care facility, in the portion of the building to be assisted by the loan].

[(f) (1) The Radon Gas and Asbestos Abatement Pilot Program shall be funded in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 per year, with moneys appropriated for the Lead Paint Abatement Program as provided in § 2-313 of this subtitle.

(2) The Radon Gas and Asbestos Abatement Pilot Program shall expire on June 30, 1990.]

SUBTITLE 13. LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION GRANT PROGRAM AND LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION LOAN PROGRAM.

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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND DECLARES THAT:

(1) LEAD PAINT IS PRESENT IN A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY IN MARYLAND, PARTICULARLY RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY CONSTRUCTED PRIOR TO 1950;

(2) LEAD PAINT ON THE FRICTION SURFACES OF WINDOWS IS A LEADING CAUSE OF LEAD POISONING;

(3) LEAD POISONING CAN ADVERSELY AFFECT THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN AND PREGNANT WOMEN AND ENGENDERS SUBSTANTIAL LONG-TERM PUBLIC COSTS TO PAY FOR MEDICAL EXPENSES AND ADDITIONAL EDUCATION; AND

(4) REDUCTION OR ELIMINATION OF LEAD IN THE ENVIRONMENT WILL: