PUBLIC LAW

BY GOVERNOR

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TWO THOUSAND NINETEEN

H.P. 731 - L.D. 976

An Act To Require Additional Lead Screening for Children

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

- **Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §1315, sub-§5-C,** as amended by PL 2015, c. 267, Pt. LLLL, §1, is further amended to read:
- **5-C. Lead poisoning.** "Lead poisoning" means a confirmed elevated level of blood lead that is injurious, as defined in rules adopted by the department using reference levels no higher than the 97.5th percentile of blood lead levels in children established by a national health and nutrition examination survey adopted by the federal Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that is equal to or exceeds 5 micrograms per deciliter.

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §1330 is enacted to read:

§1330. Report

The department shall report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over health and human services matters whenever the federal Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention adopts a new blood lead reference level based on the 97.5th percentile of blood lead levels in children established by a national health and nutrition examination survey.