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LRB Number 15-0895/1	Introduction Number SB-17	'8			
Description Exemption from lead inspection requirements for sampling or testing during certain lead-safe renovations					
Fiscal Effect					
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☐ No Local Government Costs ☐ Indeterminate 1. ☐ Increase Costs ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory ☐ Perm	5.Types of Local Government Units Affected Towns Counties	ers CS			
Fund Sources Affected GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS 20.435 (1) (gm)					
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law regarding renovation lead inspections, the Department is required to develop and implement lead investigation requirements. To this end, the Department has promulgated rules requiring all lead inspectors to be certified for lead investigation, which includes paying a certification fee, when testing for the presence of lead-bearing paint. Current law also states that lead sampling or testing of buildings is not required if the presence of lead-bearing paint or a lead hazard is assumed and lead hazard reduction activities are performed in a lead-safe manner.

Under SB 178, if the presence of lead-bearing paint or a lead hazard is assumed and the renovation is performed in a lead-safe manner, any person who nevertheless performs sampling or testing of a surface in the premises relating to that renovation is not required to comply with any requirements established by DHS for a lead inspection.

The Department estimates that the Lead and Asbestos Certification Program would require an additional 140 hours of work to determine applicability of this provision during investigations of lead hazard reduction activities, at a cost of \$6,373 per year. Once it is determined that some individuals and/or companies can perform work without lead inspection certification, the Department estimates a loss of revenue equal to about 25 lead inspection certifications per year, or \$4,250. The Department would be able to absorb this within the Agency's budget. However, the additional staff time per investigation would result in fewer monitoring inspections per year overall.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications