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Fiscal Note

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Prime Sponsors:	Rep. Sirota; Bird Sen. Bridges; Kirkmeyer	Bill Status:	House Appropriations
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Bill Topic: EARLIER FUNDING FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL LEAD TESTING

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill allows the Department of Public Health and Environment to begin providing reimbursements to middle schools for lead testing costs on June 1, 2023, instead of March 15, 2024. The bill minimally increases state workload in FY 2022-23.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation required.

Fiscal Note Status: The fiscal note reflects the introduced bill.

Summary of Legislation

The bill advances the date for when the Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) can begin providing reimbursements to middle schools for costs associated with testing their drinking water for lead from March 15, 2024 to June 1, 2023.

Background

[House Bill 22-1358](#) required facilities that serve preschoolers to eighth graders to test their drinking water sources for the presence of lead before May 31, 2023. CDPHE reimburses eligible schools, child care centers, and family child care homes for the costs associated with lead testing from the School and Child Care Clean Drinking Water Cash Fund. Currently, CDPHE can begin providing these reimbursements to schools that serve sixth to eighth graders on March 15, 2024.

State Expenditures

The bill shifts workload for the CDPHE from FY 2023-24 to the current FY 2022-23. For FY 2022-23 only, workload minimally increases for CDPHE to begin providing reimbursements to middle schools at an earlier date. This change in workload can be accomplished within existing appropriations. No change in appropriations for reimbursements is required.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State and Local Government Contacts

Public Health and Environment