

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1378

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 7, 2016

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1378.

This bill makes a \$10,000,000 FY 2016 supplemental Grants-in-Aid appropriation from the General Fund to the Department of Community Affairs for the Lead Hazard Control Assistance Fund.

The Lead Hazard Control Assistance Fund provides funding to address lead-based paint in New Jersey in a comprehensive and focused manner. Programs include lead-based paint hazard control through lead abatement or interim controls; emergency relocation of households that include a child with an elevated blood lead level; extensive Statewide, regional and community based education and outreach; training courses in lead disciplines such as lead-safe building maintenance practices; identification of lead-safe housing via a web-based Lead Safe Housing Registry available to the public; increases in identification of lead-based paint hazards and lead dust hazards via the distribution of free dust-wipe kits and purchasing X-ray fluorescence analyzers for use by local health departments.

This bill was pre-filed for introduction in the 2016-2017 session pending technical review. As reported, the bill includes the changes required by technical review, which has been performed.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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