

Clean Water for Our School Act

HB 12 - SB 24

Bill Analysis

AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, there are a number of public schools still using outdated lead service lines to shuttle water throughout their facilities. High lead levels can lead to dangerous medical complications, and this bill seeks to replace all lead service lines in public schools, and create procedures to ensure their water is lead free in the future

This bill amends Section 341, of the Health and Safety Code, for the purpose of defining all water outlets within a "child care facility", and seeks to create transparency within Texas schools still using lead service lines. Those schools would be required to report all lead service lines to the school district, for the purpose of disposing of them and replacing them with hazardous free water lines. Additionally, all public schools must adopt a plan to prevent elevated lead levels in all water used for drinking or cooking, and must regularly test the lead levels in those water sources.

The purpose of this bill is to prevent lead poisoning in our schools, and ultimately keep students safe from dangerously high lead levels in the water they use.



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