Existing Laws on Lead Paint for Property Owners/Managers/Real Estate Agents

Federal law already requires property owners to:

- Disclose any knowledge of lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards when selling or renting a house built before 1978.
- Allow a buyer to have a lead inspection at the buyer’s expense.
- Include a lead warning statement in leases.
- Use lead-safe work practices when making certain repairs and renovations.
- Note: Federal law places increased requirements on HUD landlords.

*These regulations can be found at www.epa.gov/lead*

Illinois state law already requires property owners to:

- Allow inspection of property, at the discretion of IDPH, when a resident is found to be lead-poisoned. (*Illinois Lead Poisoning Prevention Act, Section 45/8*)
- Follow regulated mitigation procedures when a lead hazard has been identified. (*Illinois Lead Poisoning Prevention Act, Section 45/9.2*)
- Follow regulated lead abatement procedures if mitigation is ineffective. (*Illinois Lead Poisoning Prevention Act, Section 45/9.7*)
- Disclose any lead hazard to renters and provide IDPH brochure to buyers or renters in buildings built before 1978. (*Illinois Lead Poisoning Prevention Act, Section 45/9.1*)

*These laws can be found at www.ilga.gov*

City of Chicago law already requires property owners to:

- Maintain residential buildings so as to prevent the existence of lead hazards.
- Allow inspections of all units for lead hazards. (*Municipal Code of Chicago Chapter 7-4-030*)
- Provide a mitigation plan, subject to Chicago Department of Public Health approval, when a lead hazard is identified. (*CDPH Rules and Regulations, Control and Mitigation of Lead Bearing Substances, Promulgated Pursuant to Municipal Code Chapter 7-4*)
- Follow regulated mitigation procedures when a lead hazard has been identified. (*CDPH Rules and Regulations, Control and Mitigation of Lead Bearing Substances, Promulgated Pursuant to Municipal Code Chapter 7-4*)

*These ordinances can be found at www.cityofchicago.org*

For detailed information on how to comply with lead prevention laws and lead safety:

- www.hud.gov/offices/lead
- www.leadsafeillinois.org/owners

or call:
City of Chicago Department of Public Health, 312 747 LEAD or
Illinois Department of Public Health, 217 782 5830

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