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PRESENTATIVE AND ASK THEM TO SUPPORT:**

## **LEAD SAFE HOMES BILL (HF1007/SF1798)**

### **LEAD POISONING IS IRREVERSABLE**

- In Minnesota, there are 359,000 renter occupied units which have potential lead hazards.
- Lead testing is not universal across the state.
- Lead poisoning disproportionately impacts our diverse communities.
- Additional services including special education, disability services and Medicaid are often needed for the lifetime of a child who is poisoned by lead.

**This bill allocates \$1 million/ year to ensure more  
lead safe homes in urban and rural areas.**

**Supported by MICAH,  
Homes for All Coalition, and  
Joint Religious Legislative Coalition (JRLC)**

#### **References:**

- MN Department of Health Report: The Economic Burden of the Environment of Two Childhood Diseases in Minnesota, December 2014
- Testimony from a parent whose children were poisoned and permanently disabled by deteriorating lead paint.

**Lead exposure is  
dangerous for young  
children and can  
cause permanent  
brain damage.**

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**In Minnesota,  
an average of  
700 children  
are poisoned by  
lead each year.**

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**It costs \$2500/unit to  
make a unit  
LEAD SAFE  
from lead paint  
hazards.**

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**A child disabled by  
lead poisoning may  
utilize \$100,000 per  
year for the rest of  
their life in State,  
Federal and Medicaid  
benefits.**