

## HR 4416

Lead-Free Future Act of 2019

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Housing and Community Development

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**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity. (Oct 2, 2019)

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### Sponsor

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| Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-16]        | D · NY        |      | Sep 19, 2019 |
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| Rep. Roybal-Allard, Lucille [D-CA-40] | D · CA        |      | Sep 19, 2019 |
| Rep. Moore, Gwen [D-WI-4]             | D · WI        |      | Sep 24, 2019 |
| Rep. Clarke, Yvette D. [D-NY-9]       | D · NY        |      | Sep 25, 2019 |
| Rep. Raskin, Jamie [D-MD-8]           | D · MD        |      | Oct 11, 2019 |
| Rep. Kelly, Robin L. [D-IL-2]         | D · IL        |      | Sep 4, 2020  |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                     | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House   | Referred to | Sep 20, 2019 |
| Financial Services Committee  | House   | Referred To | Sep 19, 2019 |
| Veterans' Affairs Committee   | House   | Referred to | Oct 2, 2019  |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Housing and Community Development

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Lead-Free Future Act of 2019**

This bill addresses lead-based hazards, and their abatement, in residential properties.

Specifically, the bill requires the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to award grants to state and local governments and certain nonprofit organizations for the purpose of evaluating and reducing lead-based hazards in residential properties constructed before 1978. Additionally, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) may award grants to state and local governments to monitor blood lead levels in infants, children, and pregnant women and to educate the public on the risks of lead poisoning.

To be eligible to receive funding from these grant programs and others addressing lead poisoning, a state or local government must have a blood lead reference level (i.e., the minimum concentration of lead at which it is recommended that public health actions be taken) at or below the level used by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Applicants must also conduct an environmental investigation to identify environmental sources of lead exposure in residential properties and childcare facilities occupied by a child with an elevated blood lead level.

In addition, HUD, the Department of Agriculture, the Federal Housing Finance Agency, and the Department of Veterans Affairs must require alignment with specified federal laws, including those related to lead-risk assessment and lead-hazard remediation, as a condition of eligibility for federal mortgage programs and certain federally supported housing. These agencies must also test and remedy lead hazards in such housing.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 2, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.
- **Sep 20, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Sep 19, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 19, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.