

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to lead and mold inspections as part of the Systematic Code Enforcement Program (SCEP); and related matters.

Recommendations for Council action, as initiated by Motion (Hutt – et al. – Hernandez – Soto-Martinez):

1. INSTRUCT the Los Angeles Housing Department (LAHD), with the assistance of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) and the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA), to report in 60 days with recommendations to require lead and mold inspections as part of SCEP beginning July 1, 2025. The report should include an analysis of any personnel or changes needed to the LAHD's Regulatory and Code Compliance Bureau to implement the recommendations.
2. INSTRUCT the CAO, with the assistance of the LAHD, to report with a fee study that would increase the Rent Stabilization Ordinance and/or SCEP fee to pay for mold and lead inspections on a regular basis.
3. INSTRUCT the LAHD to report on the feasibility of exempting small mom-and-pop landlords from a fee increase who have been good stewards of their property and have not been involved with the Rent Escrow Account Program.
4. INSTRUCT the LAHD, and relevant departments, to report on mold and lead tests that are incorporated in other cities to ensure the SCEP is uniformed and standardized with public health measures.
5. INSTRUCT the LAHD to report on the current process, and any deficiencies, in the SCEP inspection process as it relates to mold and lead identification.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the CAO nor the CLA has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on August 2, 2023, your Housing and Homelessness Committee considered a Motion (Hutt – et al. – Hernandez – Soto-Martinez) relative to lead and mold inspections as part of the SCEP; and preparing a draft ordinance that would require lead and mold inspections as part of the SCEP; and related matters.

After an opportunity for public comment was held, the Committee moved to approve the recommendations contained in the Motion, as detailed above, as amended. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
RAMAN:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
LEE:	YES