

CALIFORNIA INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE COUNCIL



Assemblyman Chris Holden
State Capitol, Suite 5650
Sacramento, CA 95814

June 5, 2023

RE: AB 249 Water: schoolsites: lead testing: conservation. SUPPORT IF AMENDED

Dear Assemblyman Holden,

The California Industrial Hygiene Council (CIHC) appreciate the recent opportunity to meet with your staffer, Mr. Franklin Porter. CIHC would like to offer our support for AB 249, if amended. The requested amendments and summation of CIHC's concerns are provided below for your consideration:

- In 116277(b) – Add "(4) The water samples shall be analyzed using EPA Method 200.8 in a laboratory that is ELAP accredited to analyze for lead in drinking water."
- In 116277(i) – Suggest explicitly stating that the bill does not apply to private schools.
- CIHC is concerned that there may be conflicts or duplication with this legislation due to previous legislation. Suggest resolving any conflicts or duplication that may be created for licensed child care facilities per AB 2370 passed in 2018.
- CIHC suggests relieving the water districts of the training requirements if the sampling plan is prepared and implemented under the direction of a Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH). CIH is codified in California's Business and Professions (B&P) Code Sections 2700-2705.
- If the bill is to be modified to place the sampling responsibility on the schools instead of the water districts, CIHC requests to be involved as an important ally in developing the modifications.

Respectfully,

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