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Substitute resolution directing the Health Department to develop a water filter distribution plan and report the plan to the Common Council by March 31, 2019.

This resolution directs the Health Department to develop a water filter distribution plan, and report the plan to the Common Council by March 31, 2019..

Whereas, Thousands of Milwaukee households are connected to water mains with lead service lines; and

Whereas, Lead from lead water service lines is known to leach into and contaminate water which remains stationary in lead service lines for several hours; and

Whereas, Exposure to lead in drinking water poses a threat to the health of household members consuming it, especially young children, pregnant women and breastfed infants; and

Whereas, The most reliable method of preventing exposure to lead in drinking water is to obtain and install a water filter certified to eliminate lead, and change filters as recommended; and

Whereas, Many households connected to water mains by lead service lines lack the means to readily afford the purchase of a water filter certified to eliminate lead in water; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Health Department is directed to develop a plan for the distribution of water filters to Milwaukee residents at risk of exposure to lead in their drinking and cooking water; and, be it

Further Resolved, The Health Department shall collaborate with the Milwaukee Water Works as needed in developing its water filter distribution plan to exploit any possible distribution synergies; and, be it

Further Resolved, The department shall report the nature and details of this plan to the Common Council by March 31, 2019.

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