# Maryland
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## the Environment

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*PUBLIC NOTICE*

This notice is given by Ben Grumbles, Secretary of the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE), acting pursuant to the Proclamation of Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. (the "Governor") dated March 5, 2020 proclaiming a state of emergency and a catastrophic health emergency related to COVID-19, as it may be amended or renewed from time to time, and the Order of the Governor dated June 19, 2020 entitled "Amending and Restating the Order of March 12, 2020, Extending Certain Licenses, Permits, Registrations, and Other Governmental Authorizations, and Authorizing Suspension of Legal Time Requirements", as it may be amended from time to time, after finding that the action described herein is necessary to protect public health, welfare, or safety.
Under the above referenced executive order, covered authorizations issued by the state that expire and are renewable during the state of emergency and catastrophic health emergency are extended until 30 days after the state of emergency is terminated and the catastrophic health emergency is rescinded. The executive order authorizes the head of each agency to exclude a covered authorization from this extension under certain circumstances.

Because it is necessary to protect public health, the registration renewal requirement for certain rental properties constructed prior to 1978 (lead rental registration), required under §6-811 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, is excluded from extension under the executive order. The lead rental registration renewal will therefore be due by December 31, 2020, regardless of whether the state of emergency and catastrophic health emergency are still in effect at that time. The lead rental registration renewal may be completed online or by mail.

More information is available on MDE's website at:
https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/LAND/LeadPoisoningPrevention/Pages/index.aspx.

Sincerely,

Ben Grumbles
Secretary