

## General Assembly

## Substitute Bill No. 6572

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# AN ACT CONCERNING BANNING BISPHENOL-A IN CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS AND FOOD PRODUCTS AND PROHIBITING CERTAIN ALTERNATIVE SUBSTANCES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2009*) (a) As used in this section, "prohibited alternative substance" means a substance:
- 3 (1) Listed as known or reasonably anticipated to be, a human 4 carcinogen in the most recent Report on Carcinogens by the United
- 5 States Department of Health and Human Services;
- 6 (2) That appears on the most recent National Institute for 7 Occupational Safety and Health Carcinogen List;
- 8 (3) Classified by the International Agency for Research on Cancer as
- 9 group 1, carcinogenic to humans, group 2A, probably carcinogenic to
- 10 humans, or group 2B, possibly carcinogenic to humans; or
- 11 (4) Listed on the electronic database of the United States
- 12 Environmental Protection Agency in group A, carcinogenic to humans,
- group B, likely to be carcinogenic to humans, or group C, suggestive
- 14 evidence of carcinogenic potential.
- 15 (b) No manufacturer shall use a prohibited alternative substance to
- 16 manufacture a product that was made with bisphenol-A prior to the

- 17 prohibition against using bisphenol-A in such a product under sections
- 18 2, 3 and 4 of this act.
- 19 Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2009) (a) For the purposes of this
- 20 section, "reusable food or beverage container" means a receptacle for
- 21 storing food or beverages, including, but not limited to, baby bottles,
- 22 spill-proof cups, sports bottles and thermoses, and excluding food or
- 23 beverage containers intended for disposal after initial use.
- 24 (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, on and after
- 25 October 1, 2010, no person shall manufacture, sell, offer for sale or
- 26 distribute in this state any reusable food or beverage container
- 27 containing bisphenol-A.
- 28 (c) A person may sell his or her existing inventory of reusable food
- 29 or beverage containers containing bisphenol-A as of October 1, 2010,
- 30 until March 1, 2011, provided such person can demonstrate that such
- 31 containers were purchased prior to October 1, 2010, in a quantity
- 32 comparable to the containers purchased during the same period of the
- 33 preceding year.
- Sec. 3. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2009) (a) For the purpose of this
- 35 section, (1) "infant formula" means a milk-based or soy-based powder,
- 36 concentrated liquid or ready-to-feed substitute for human breast milk,
- 37 that is intended for infant consumption and is commercially available,
- and (2) "baby food" means a prepared solid food consisting of a soft
- 39 paste or an easily chewed food that is intended for consumption by
- 40 children aged two years or younger and is commercially available.
- 41 (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, on and after
- 42 January 1, 2010, no person shall manufacture, sell, offer for sale or
- distribute in this state any infant formula or baby food that is stored in
- a plastic container, jar or can that contains bisphenol-A.
- 45 (c) A person may sell or distribute his or her existing inventory of
- 46 infant formula or baby food containers, jar or cans containing
- 47 bisphenol-A as of January 1, 2010, until January 1, 2011, provided such

- person can demonstrate that such containers, jars or cans were purchased or acquired prior to January 1, 2010, in a quantity comparable to the containers, jars or cans purchased or acquired during the same period of the prior year.
  - Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2009*) (a) On and after October 1, 2011, the manufacturer of a food product that is contained in a jar or can containing bisphenol-A shall label such jar or can with a conspicuous label stating "WARNING: This container is made using bisphenol-A". On and after said date, no person shall sell or offer for sale any such food product in the state without such warning label affixed to the jar or can.
  - (b) On and after October 1, 2014, no person shall manufacture, sell, offer for sale or distribute in this state any food product that is contained in a jar, can or other container containing bisphenol-A.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:			
Section 1	October 1, 2009	New section	
Sec. 2	October 1, 2009	New section	
Sec. 3	October 1, 2009	New section	
Sec. 4	October 1, 2009	New section	

### Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

The definition of "safe alternative" was deleted to conform to the amendment which removed any references to the defined term.

#### **ENV** Joint Favorable Subst.

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