THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITEE ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS, JANUARY 29, 2013

AN ACT

- 1 Providing for bisphenol A-free baby and toddler products.
- 2 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 3 hereby enacts as follows:
- 4 Section 1. Short title.
- 5 This act shall be known and may be cited as the Bisphenol A-
- 6 free Baby and Toddler Products Act.
- 7 Section 2. Bisphenol A-free baby and toddler products.
- 8 (a) General rule. -- No person or entity may manufacture, sell
- 9 or distribute any product that contains bisphenol A at a level
- 10 above 0.1 parts per billion (ppb) if the product is designed or
- 11 intended primarily for use by infants or children four years of
- 12 age or younger.
- 13 (b) Alternatives.--
- 14 (1) Manufacturers shall use the least toxic alternative
- when replacing bisphenol A in containers in accordance with
- 16 this section.

- 1 (2) Manufacturers shall not replace bisphenol A pursuant
- 2 to this section with carcinogens rated by the United States
- 3 Environmental Protection Agency as A, B or C carcinogens or
- 4 substances listed as known or likely carcinogens, known to be
- 5 human carcinogens, likely to be human carcinogens or
- 6 suggestive of being human carcinogens, as described in the
- 7 "List of Chemicals Evaluated for Carcinogenic Potential."
- 8 (3) Manufacturers shall not replace bisphenol A under
- 9 this section with reproductive toxicants that cause birth
- 10 defects, reproductive harm or developmental harm, as
- 11 identified by the United States Environmental Protection
- 12 Agency.
- 13 Section 3. Violation of Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer
- 14 Protection Law.
- 15 A violation of section 2 constitutes unfair methods of
- 16 competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices within the
- 17 meaning of section 2(4) of the act of December 17, 1968
- 18 (P.L.1224, No.387), known as the Unfair Trade Practices and
- 19 Consumer Protection Law, and shall be subject to the enforcement
- 20 provisions, civil penalties and private rights of action
- 21 contained in that act.
- 22 Section 4. Effective date.
- 23 This act shall take effect in 60 days.