

PHOSPHATE DETERGENT ACT - AMEND CLEANING AGENTS, EXPIRATION DATE
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HB 2189

AN ACT

Amending the act of July 5, 1989 (P.L.166, No.31), entitled "An act prohibiting the sale, manufacture, distribution or use of certain cleaning agents containing phosphates; conferring powers and duties on the Environmental Quality Board and the Department of Environmental Resources; and providing penalties," further providing for prohibition on certain cleaning agents; and changing the expiration date.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Section 2 of the act of July 5, 1989 (P.L.166, No.31), known as the Phosphate Detergent Act, is amended to read:

Section 2. Prohibition on certain cleaning agents.

Except as provided in section 3, a person may not use, sell, manufacture or distribute for use or sale within this Commonwealth any cleaning agent that contains more than 0.0% phosphorus by weight, expressed as elemental phosphorus, except for [an amount not exceeding 0.5% phosphorus that is incidental to manufacturing.] **a total amount not exceeding 0.5% phosphorous that is incidental to manufacturing or that is added to stabilize the cleaning agent or its packaging.**

Section 2. Section 9 of the act, amended June 11, 1992 (P.L.306, No.54), is amended to read:

Section 9. Sunset.

This act shall expire on December 31, [1995] **1998**, unless otherwise extended by act of the General Assembly.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED--The 20th day of December, A. D. 1995.

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