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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

**AN ACT LIMITING THE USE OF PERFLUOROALKYL AND
POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES IN CERTAIN PRODUCTS.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) As used in this section
2 and section 2 of this act:

3 (1) "Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances" mean a class of
4 fluorinated organic chemicals containing at least one fully fluorinated
5 carbon atom;

6 (2) "Food packaging" means a material that is intended for direct
7 food contact and for single or limited use, including, but not limited to,
8 take-out containers and deli or bakery trays and wrappers; and

9 (3) "Reasonable alternative" means a product that has a similar use
10 and cost as the original product, but does not contain intentionally
11 added polyfluoroalkyl chemicals in any amount.

12 (b) The Department of Public Health shall examine the availability
13 of reasonable alternatives to any food packaging product that contains
14 an intentionally added perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substance.

15 Not later than January 1, 2020, the department shall report, in
16 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
17 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
18 cognizance of matters relating to public health on the results of such
19 examination and a list of food packaging products that contain an
20 intentionally added perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substance for
21 which a reasonable alternative is available.

22 (c) On and after January 1, 2021, no person may manufacture,
23 knowingly sell, offer for sale, distribute for sale or distribute for use in
24 the state food packaging that contains a perfluoroalkyl or
25 polyfluoroalkyl substance that was intentionally added to such
26 packaging in any amount when the department has determined,
27 pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, that a reasonable alternative
28 to such food packaging is available.

29 (d) The provisions of this section may be enforced, within available
30 appropriations, by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection.

31 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) As used in this section, "class
32 B firefighting foam" means a foam for the purpose of extinguishing
33 flammable liquid fires.

34 (b) The Department of Public Health shall examine the availability
35 of reasonable alternatives to any class B firefighting foam that contains
36 an intentionally added perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substance.
37 Not later than January 1, 2020, the department shall report, in
38 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
39 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
40 cognizance of matters relating to public health on the results of such
41 examination.

42 (c) On and after July 1, 2020, (1) no person, local government or state
43 agency may discharge or otherwise use for training purposes a class B
44 firefighting foam that contains an intentionally added perfluoroalkyl
45 or polyfluoroalkyl substance in any amount, and (2) a manufacturer of

46 a class B firefighting foam may not manufacture, knowingly sell, offer
47 for sale, distribute for sale or distribute for use in the state a class B
48 firefighting foam that contains an intentionally added perfluoroalkyl
49 or polyfluoroalkyl substance in any amount, unless the addition of a
50 perfluoroalkyl or polyfluoroalkyl substance is necessary for the
51 purpose of complying with federal law, including, but not limited to,
52 the requirements set forth in 14 CFR 139.317, as amended from time to
53 time.

54 (d) The provisions of this section may be enforced, within available
55 appropriations, by the Commissioner of Consumer Protection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2019	New section
Sec. 2	July 1, 2019	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To limit the use of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances in food packaging and firefighting foam.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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