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AN ACT

- 1 Providing for bisphenol A-free container 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 BPA-free
- 6 Container Products Act.
- 7 Section 2. Definitions.
- 8 The following words and phrases when used in this act shall
- 9 have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 10 context clearly indicates otherwise:
- 11 "BPA." Bisphenol A.
- 12 "Container." A food or beverage package, parcel or other
- 13 vessel intended for use in storing, heating or serving liquids
- 14 or solids for consumption by the general population.
- 15 Section 3. BPA-free food and beverage containers.
- 16 (a) General rule. -- No person or entity may manufacture, sell
- 17 or distribute any container that contains BPA at a level above

- 1 0.1 parts per billion (ppb).
- 2 (b) Manufacturer standard. -- The following standards apply to
- 3 manufacturers' use and replacement of BPA:
- 4 (1) A manufacturer shall use the least toxic alternative
- 5 when replacing BPA in containers in accordance with this
- 6 section.
- 7 (2) A manufacturer may not, under this section, replace
- 8 BPA with carcinogens rated by the Environmental Protection
- 9 Agency as A, B or C carcinogens or substances listed as known
- or likely carcinogens, known to be human carcinogens, likely
- to be human carcinogens or suggestive of being human
- 12 carcinogens, as described by the Environmental Protection
- 13 Agency in the Integrated Risk Information System.
- 14 (3) A manufacturer may not replace BPA under this
- section with reproductive toxicants that cause birth defects,
- reproductive harm or developmental harm, as identified by the
- 17 Environmental Protection Agency.
- 18 Section 4. Violation of Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer
- 19 Protection Law.
- 20 A violation of section 3 constitutes unfair methods of
- 21 competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices within the
- 22 meaning of section 2(4) of the act of December 17, 1968
- 23 (P.L.1224, No.387), known as the Unfair Trade Practices and
- 24 Consumer Protection Law, and shall be subject to the enforcement
- 25 provisions, civil penalties and private rights of action
- 26 contained in that act.
- 27 Section 5. Effective date.
- This act shall take effect in 60 days.