## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCE PROTECTION, FEBRUARY 21, 2025

## 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.

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

1 This act shall take effect in 60 days.