

HB 63

An Act Relating to Flame Retardants

Summary of Changes from 27-LS0324\A to 27-LS0324\M (blank work draft CS HB63)

Page 2, line 6¹. Removes [ALREADY PROHIBITED UNDER AS 1831.600(a) – (c)] and replaces with a brominated flame retardant

The original version created a loophole that could have prevented any brominated fire retardants that were not the 3 named PBDEs on page 1 from being prohibited by regulation under this section. The CS closes this loophole by allowing *any* flame retardants not already prohibited by this bill to be prohibited by regulation under this section.

Page 4, line 2. Removes [UNDER THE HIGH PRODUCTION VOLUME CHALLENGE PROGRAM]

Allows any chemical data developed by the EPA to be listed, and doesn't limit it to a particular program.

Page 5, line 13-15. Removes [LIVING ORGANISMS AS THE LIVING ORGANISMS TAKE IN CONTAMINATED AIR, WATER, SOIL, SEDIMENT, OR FOOD] and replaces with a living organism to a concentration greater than the concentration of the toxic chemical in the environment in which the organism lives

Changes the definition of "bioaccumulative" to be more scientifically accurate.

Page 5, line 16-17. Removes [THE ENVIRONMENT WITHOUT TRANSFORMATION OR BREAKDOWN INTO ANOTHER CHEMICAL] and replaces with in a toxic

The new definition of "persistent" acknowledges that a toxin may degrade into more toxic forms.

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¹ References page and line numbers of the original HB 63 27-LS0324\A