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**SENATE BILL**

**No. 1713**

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**Introduced by Senators Migden and Perata**  
*(Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Lieber)*

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An act to amend Sections 108937 and 108939 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to product safety.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1713, as amended, Migden. Children's products: ~~bisphenol~~. *bisphenol A*.

Existing law, commencing January 1, 2009, prohibits the manufacture, sale, or distribution in commerce of certain toys and child care articles, as defined, if those products contain specified types of phthalates in concentrations exceeding  $\frac{1}{10}$  of 1%.

It also requires manufacturers to use the least toxic alternative when replacing phthalates in their products and would prohibit manufacturers from replacing phthalates with certain carcinogens and reproductive toxicants.

The bill would *enact the Toxin-Free Toddlers and Babies Act, which would apply the above-described prohibition and least toxic alternative requirements to certain child care articles that contain bisphenol A in detectable levels. The act would prohibit the manufacture, sale, or distribution in commerce of any bottle, cup, or other container that contains bisphenol A at a level above 0.1 parts per billion (ppb), if the container is designed or intended to be filled with any liquid, food, or*

*beverage primarily for consumption from that container by infants or children 3 years of age or younger. The act would prohibit, commencing January 1, 2010, the manufacture, sale, or distribution in commerce of any liquid, food, or beverage in a can, jar, or other container containing bisphenol A, at a level above 0.1 ppb if the liquid, food, or beverage is designed or intended primarily for consumption by infants and children 3 years of age or younger.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. This act shall be known, and may be cited, as the  
2 Toxin-Free Toddlers and Babies Act.

3 ~~SECTION 1.~~

4 SEC. 2. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

5 (a) In 2007, the Legislature enacted a law to ban phthalates, a  
6 class of chemicals used in polyvinyl chloride (PVC) plastic to  
7 improve flexibility and in cosmetics to bind fragrance to the  
8 product.

9 (b) That law limited the ban to phthalates in products intended  
10 for use by young children, such as teethers, toys, and soft plastic  
11 books.

12 (c) There is further evidence that bisphenol A (BPA) also poses  
13 significant health concerns for children.

14 (d) The purpose of this act is to build on the law enacted in 2007  
15 to ensure that children are not exposed to harmful toxins.

16 ~~SEC. 2.~~

17 SEC. 3. Section 108937 of the Health and Safety Code is  
18 amended to read:

19 108937. (a) No person or entity shall manufacture, sell, or  
20 distribute in commerce any toy or child care article that contains  
21 di-(2-ethylhexyl) phthalate (DEHP), dibutyl phthalate (DBP), or  
22 benzyl butyl phthalate (BBP), in concentrations exceeding 0.1  
23 percent.

24 (b) No person or entity shall manufacture, sell, or distribute in  
25 commerce any toy or child care article intended for use by a child  
26 under three years of age if that product can be placed in the child's  
27 mouth and contains diisononyl phthalate (DINP), diisodecyl

1 phthalate (DIDP), or di-n-octyl phthalate (DnOP), in concentrations  
2 exceeding 0.1 percent.

3 (c) No person or entity shall manufacture, sell, or distribute in  
4 commerce any child care article intended for use by a child three  
5 years of age or younger if that product contains bisphenol A in  
6 detectable levels. Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of Section  
7 108935, for purposes of this subdivision, “child care article” means  
8 any food or beverage container or other product designed or  
9 intended to contain liquids for consumption by infants or children  
10 3 years of age or younger. *commerce any bottle, cup, or other  
11 container that contains bisphenol A, at a level above 0.1 parts per  
12 billion (ppb), if the container is designed or intended to be filled  
13 with any liquid, food, or beverage primarily for consumption from  
14 that container by infants or children three years of age or younger.*

15 (d) Notwithstanding subdivision (c), commencing January 1,  
16 2010, no person or entity shall manufacture, sell, or distribute in  
17 commerce any liquid, food, or beverage in a can, jar, or other  
18 container containing bisphenol A, at a level above 0.1 parts per  
19 billion (ppb) if the liquid, food, or beverage is designed or intended  
20 primarily for consumption by infants or children three years of  
21 age or younger.

22 ~~SEC. 3.~~

23 *SEC. 4.* Section 108939 of the Health and Safety Code is  
24 amended to read:

25 108939. (a) Manufacturers shall use the least toxic alternative  
26 when replacing bisphenol A and phthalates in accordance with  
27 this chapter.

28 (b) Manufacturers shall not replace bisphenol A and phthalates,  
29 pursuant to this chapter, with carcinogens rated by the United  
30 States Environmental Protection Agency as A, B, or C carcinogens,  
31 or substances listed as known or likely carcinogens, known to be  
32 human carcinogens, likely to be human carcinogens, or suggestive  
33 of being human carcinogens, as described in the “List of Chemicals  
34 Evaluated for Carcinogenic Potential,” or known to the state to  
35 cause cancer as listed in the ~~California Safe Drinking Water Act~~  
36 ~~(Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 116270) of Part 12). Safe~~  
37 *Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Chapter 6.6*  
38 *(commencing with Section 25249.5) of Division 20).*

39 (c) Manufacturers shall not replace bisphenol A and phthalates,  
40 pursuant to this chapter, with reproductive toxicants that cause

- 1 birth defects, reproductive harm, or developmental harm as
- 2 identified by the United States Environmental Protection Agency
- 3 or listed in the California Safe Drinking Water Act (Chapter 4
- 4 (commencing with Section 116270) of Part 12).

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