Introduced by Senator Leno

February 27, 2009

An act to add Section 19161.4 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to home furnishings.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 772, as introduced, Leno. Home furnishings: juvenile products. Existing law, the Home Furnishings and Thermal Insulation Act, which establishes the Bureau of Home Furnishings and Thermal Insulation, requires that all mattresses manufactured for sale in this state and all seating furniture sold or offered for sale for use in this state be fire retardant, as defined. Existing law requires that all other bedding products that the bureau determines to contribute to mattress bedding fires to comply with specified regulations adopted by the bureau.

This bill would exempt juvenile furniture, as defined, from those requirements, and would authorize the bureau to modify that exemption if it determines that any juvenile products pose a serious fire hazard.

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 19161.4 is added to the Business and
- 2 Professions Code, to read:
- 3 19161.4. (a) The requirements of Section 19161 and the
- 4 regulations adopted thereunder shall not apply to juvenile products.
- 5 For purposes of this section, "juvenile products" means any item
- 6 of bedding or seating furniture with a primary intended use for
- 7 children six years of age or younger. The term includes, but is not

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- limited to, portable cribs, car seats, strollers, bassinets, infant
- 2 carriers, walkers, backpack child carriers, infant and toddler
- 3 pillows, and toddler chairs.
- 4 (b) The bureau may, by regulation, modify the exemption
- 5 provided under this section if the bureau determines that any
- 6 juvenile products pose a serious fire hazard.