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AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to regulation of toxic chemicals in children's products

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Article 37 of the environmental conservation law is amended
2 by adding a new title 9 to read as follows:

3 T I T L E I X

4 T O X I C C H E M I C A L S I N C H I L D R E N ' S P R O D U C T S

5 SECTION 37-0901. DEFINITIONS.

6 37-0903. PRIORITY CHEMICALS AND CHEMICALS OF HIGH CONCERN.

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11 37-0913. INTERSTATE CHEMICAL CLEARINGHOUSE.

12 37-0915. REGULATIONS.

13 S 37-0901. DEFINITIONS.

14 AS USED IN THIS TITLE, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE INDICATES, THE
15 FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS.

16 1. "CHILDREN'S APPAREL" MEANS ANY ITEM OF CLOTHING THAT CONSISTS OF
17 FABRIC OR RELATED MATERIAL INTENDED OR PROMOTED FOR USE IN CHILDREN'S
18 CLOTHING. CHILDREN'S APPAREL DOES NOT MEAN PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT DESIGNED
19 TO PREVENT INJURY, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, BICYCLE HELMETS,
20 ATHLETIC SUPPORTERS, KNEE PADS OR ELBOW PADS.

21 2. "CHEMICAL" MEANS A SUBSTANCE WITH A DISTINCT MOLECULAR COMPOSITION
22 OR A GROUP OF STRUCTURALLY RELATED SUBSTANCES AND INCLUDES THE BREAKDOWN
23 PRODUCTS OF THE SUBSTANCE OR SUBSTANCES THAT FORM THROUGH DECOMPOSITION,
24 DEGRADATION OR METABOLISM.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 3. "CHEMICALS OF HIGH CONCERN" MEANS: (A) CHEMICALS INCLUDED IN THE
2 LIST OF "CHEMICALS OF HIGH CONCERN" PUBLISHED IN TWO THOUSAND NINE
3 PURSUANT TO CHAPTER SIXTEEN-D OF TITLE 38 OF THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES
4 ANNOTATED; OR (B) A CHEMICAL ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO
5 SECTION 37-0903 OF THIS TITLE.

6 4. "CHILDREN" MEANS A PERSON OR PERSONS AGED TWELVE AND UNDER.

7 5. "CHILDREN'S PRODUCT" MEANS A PRODUCT PRIMARILY INTENDED FOR, MADE
8 FOR OR MARKETING FOR USE BY CHILDREN, SUCH AS BABY PRODUCTS, TOYS, CAR
9 SEATS, PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS, A PRODUCT DESIGNED OR INTENDED BY THE
10 MANUFACTURER TO HELP A CHILD WITH SUCKING OR TEETHING, TO FACILITATE
11 SLEEP, RELAXATION, OR THE FEEDING OF A CHILD, NOVELTY PRODUCTS, BEDDING,
12 FURNITURE, FURNISHINGS, AND CHILDREN'S APPAREL. "CHILDREN'S PRODUCT"
13 DOES NOT INCLUDE (A) BATTERIES; OR (B) CONSUMER ELECTRONIC PRODUCTS
14 INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO PERSONAL COMPUTERS, AUDIO AND VIDEO EQUIP-
15 MENT, CALCULATORS, WIRELESS PHONES, GAME CONSOLES, AND HANDHELD DEVICES
16 INCORPORATING A VIDEO SCREEN, USED TO ACCESS INTERACTIVE SOFTWARE AND
17 THEIR ASSOCIATED PERIPHERALS; OR (C) A FOOD OR BEVERAGE OR AN ADDITIVE
18 TO A FOOD OR BEVERAGE REGULATED BY THE UNITED STATES FOOD AND DRUG
19 ADMINISTRATION; OR (D) A TOBACCO PRODUCT OR PAPER OR FOREST PRODUCT; OR
20 (E) A PESTICIDE REGULATED BY THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
21 AGENCY. CHILDREN'S PRODUCT ALSO DOES NOT INCLUDE A DRUG, BIOLOGIC OR
22 MEDICAL DEVICE REGULATED BY THE UNITED STATES FOOD AND DRUG ADMINIS-
23 TRATION.

24 6. "DISTRIBUTOR" MEANS A PERSON WHO SELLS CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS TO
25 RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS ON A WHOLESALE BASIS.

26 7. "INTENTIONALLY ADDED" MEANS THE DELIBERATE USE IN THE FORMULATION
27 OF A PRODUCT OR SUBPART WHERE ITS CONTINUED PRESENCE IS DESIRED IN THE
28 FINAL PRODUCT OR SUBPART TO PROVIDE A SPECIFIC CHARACTERISTIC, APPEAR-
29 ANCE OR QUALITY.

30 8. "MANUFACTURER" MEANS ANY PERSON WHO CURRENTLY MANUFACTURES A CHIL-
31 DREN'S PRODUCT OR WHOSE BRAND NAME IS AFFIXED TO THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT.
32 IN THE CASE OF A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT THAT WAS IMPORTED INTO THE UNITED
33 STATES, "MANUFACTURER" INCLUDES THE IMPORTER OR FIRST DOMESTIC DISTRIBUTOR
34 OF THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT IF THE PERSON WHO CURRENTLY MANUFACTURES
35 OR ASSEMBLES THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT OR WHOSE BRAND NAME IS AFFIXED TO
36 THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT DOES NOT HAVE A PRESENCE IN THE UNITED STATES.

37 9. "NOVELTY PRODUCT" MEANS A PRODUCT INTENDED MAINLY FOR PERSONAL OR
38 HOUSEHOLD ENJOYMENT OR ADORNMENT. NOVELTY PRODUCTS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT
39 LIMITED TO, ITEMS INTENDED FOR USE AS PRACTICAL JOKES, FIGURINES, ADORN-
40 MENTS, TOYS, GAMES, CARDS, ORNAMENTS, YARD STATUES AND FIGURES, CANDLES,
41 JEWELRY, HOLIDAY DECORATIONS, OR SIMILAR PRODUCTS.

42 10. "PRIORITY CHEMICAL" MEANS (A) THE FOLLOWING CHEMICALS:

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| 43 CASRN13674-87-8 | TRIS (1, 3 DICHLORO-2-PROPYL) PHOSPHATE |
| 44 CASRN71-43-2 | BENZENE |
| 45 CASRN7439-92-1 | LEAD AND COMPOUNDS (INORGANIC) |
| 46 CASRN7439-97-6 | MERCURY AND MERCURY COMPOUNDS, INCLUDING METHYL 47 MERCURY (CASRN 22967-92-6) |
| 48 CASRN7439-98-7 | MOLYBDENUM AND MOLYBDENUM COMPOUNDS |
| 49 CASRN7440-36-0 | ANTIMONY AND ANTIMONY COMPOUNDS |
| 50 CASRN7440-38-2 | ARSENIC AND ARSENIC COMPOUNDS INCLUDING ARSENIC 51 TRIOXIDE (CASRN 1327-53-3) |
| 52 | AND DIMETHYL ARSENIC (CASRN 75-60-5) |
| 53 CASRN7440-43-9 | CADMIUM |
| 54 CASRN7440-48-4 | COBALT AND COBALT COMPOUNDS AND |

55 (B) A CHEMICAL ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 37-0903
56 OF THIS TITLE.

11. "TOY" MEANS A PRODUCT DESIGNED OR INTENDED BY THE MANUFACTURER TO BE USED BY A CHILD AT PLAY.

S 37-0903. PRIORITY CHEMICALS AND CHEMICALS OF HIGH CONCERN.

1. PUBLISHING OF LIST. WITHIN ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY DAYS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS TITLE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL POST LISTS OF PRIORITY CHEMICALS AND CHEMICALS OF HIGH CONCERN ON THE DEPARTMENT'S WEBSITE.

2. PERIODIC REVIEW. (A) THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, MAY PERIODICALLY REVIEW THE LIST OF PRIORITY CHEMICALS AND, THROUGH REGULATION, IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL PRIORITY CHEMICALS OF HIGH CONCERN OR REMOVE A CHEMICAL FROM SUCH LISTS BASED ON EVIDENCE THAT THE CHEMICAL IS NOT PRESENT IN A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT OR OTHERWISE SHOULD NOT BE SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS TITLE. NOTHING HEREIN SHALL PREVENT THE DEPARTMENT FROM ACTING TO ADD SUCH CHEMICALS OUTSIDE OF THE PERIODIC REVIEW PROCESS.

(B) THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, MAY IDENTIFY A CHEMICAL AS A PRIORITY CHEMICAL IF, UPON SUCH REVIEW, IT DETERMINES THAT A CHEMICAL OF HIGH CONCERN MEETS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

(I) THE CHEMICAL OR ITS METABOLITES HAVE BEEN FOUND THROUGH BIOMONITORING TO BE PRESENT IN HUMANS, INCLUDING HUMAN BLOOD, UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD, BREAST MILK, URINE OR OTHER BODILY TISSUES OR FLUIDS;

(II) THE CHEMICAL HAS BEEN FOUND THROUGH SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS TO BE PRESENT IN HOUSEHOLD DUST, INDOOR AIR, DRINKING WATER OR ELSEWHERE IN THE HOME ENVIRONMENT;

(III) THE CHEMICAL HAS BEEN FOUND THROUGH MONITORING TO BE PRESENT IN FISH, WILDLIFE OR THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT;

(IV) THE CHEMICAL IS PRESENT IN A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT USED OR PRESENT IN THE HOME, SCHOOL, OR CHILDCARE CENTER; OR

(V) THE SALE OR USE OF THE CHEMICAL OR A PRODUCT CONTAINING THE CHEMICAL HAS BEEN BANNED IN ANOTHER STATE OR STATES WITHIN THE UNITED STATES BECAUSE OF THE HEALTH EFFECTS OF SUCH CHEMICAL.

(C) IF A CHEMICAL IS REMOVED FROM THE LISTING OF CHEMICALS OF HIGH CONCERN, IT SHALL ALSO BE UNDESIGNATED AS A PRIORITY CHEMICAL.

(D) THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SHALL IDENTIFY A CHEMICAL AS A CHEMICAL OF HIGH CONCERN IF, UPON REVIEW, IT DETERMINES THAT THE CHEMICAL HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY A STATE, FEDERAL OR INTERNATIONAL GOVERNMENTAL ENTITY ON THE BASIS OF CREDIBLE SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE AS:

(I) A CARCINOGEN, A REPRODUCTIVE OR DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICANT OR AN ENDOCRINE DISRUPTOR;

(II) PERSISTENT, BIOACCUMULATIVE AND TOXIC; OR

(III) VERY PERSISTENT AND VERY BIOACCUMULATIVE.

(E) IN MAKING SUCH DETERMINATION, THE DEPARTMENT MAY CONSIDER BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO CONSIDERING:

(I) CHEMICALS IDENTIFIED AS "GROUP 1 CARCINOGENS" OR "GROUP 2A CARCINOGENS" BY THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION, INTERNATIONAL AGENCY FOR RESEARCH ON CANCER;

(II) CHEMICALS IDENTIFIED AS "KNOWN TO BE A HUMAN CARCINOGEN" AND "REASONABLY ANTICIPATED TO BE A HUMAN CARCINOGEN" BY THE SECRETARY OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PURSUANT TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 42 UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 241(B)(4), AS AMENDED;

(III) CHEMICALS IDENTIFIED AS "GROUP A CARCINOGENS" OR "GROUP B CARCINOGENS" BY THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY;

(IV) CHEMICALS IDENTIFIED AS REPRODUCTIVE OR DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICANTS BY:

(A) THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, NATIONAL TOXICOLOGY PROGRAM, CENTER FOR THE EVALUATION OF RISKS TO HUMAN REPRODUCTION; AND

(B) THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE, SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986, CHAPTER 6.6, SECTION 25249.8;

(V) CHEMICALS IDENTIFIED AS A CHEMICAL OF HIGH CONCERN FOR CHILDREN OR A HIGH PRIORITY CHEMICAL OF HIGH CONCERN FOR CHILDREN OR AS A PERSISTENT BIOACCUMULATIVE TOXIC CHEMICAL BY THE STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 70.240 OF THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON OR CHAPTER 173-333 OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON ADMINISTRATIVE CODE;

(VI) CHEMICALS OF HIGH CONCERN AS SUCH CHEMICALS ARE IDENTIFIED BY THE STATE OF MAINE'S DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION AND APPEARING ON SUCH DEPARTMENT'S LIST OF CHEMICALS OF HIGH CONCERN;

(VII) CHEMICALS IDENTIFIED AS KNOWN OR LIKELY ENDOCRINE DISRUPTORS THROUGH SCREENING OR TESTING CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROTOCOLS DEVELOPED BY THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY PURSUANT TO THE UNITED STATES FOOD, DRUG AND COSMETIC ACT, 21 UNITED STATES CODE, 346A(P), AS AMENDED BY THE FEDERAL FOOD QUALITY PROTECTION ACT (PUBLIC LAW 104-170) OR THE FEDERAL SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT, 42 UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 300J-17;

(VIII) CHEMICALS LISTED ON THE BASIS OF ENDOCRINE-DISRUPTING PROPERTIES IN ANNEX XIV, LIST OF SUBSTANCES SUBJECT TO AUTHORISATION, REGULATION (EC) NO 1907/2006 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT CONCERNING THE REGISTRATION, EVALUATION, AUTHORISATION AND RESTRICTION OF CHEMICALS;

(IX) PERSISTENT, BIOACCUMULATIVE AND TOXIC CHEMICALS IDENTIFIED BY OTHER STATES OR THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY; AND

(X) A VERY PERSISTENT, VERY BIOACCUMULATIVE CHEMICAL LISTED IN ANNEX XIV, LIST OF SUBSTANCES SUBJECT TO AUTHORISATION, REGULATION (EC) NO 1907/2006 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT CONCERNING THE REGISTRATION, EVALUATION, AUTHORISATION AND RESTRICTION OF CHEMICALS.

S 37-0905. DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ON PRIORITY CHEMICALS.

1. REPORTING OF CHEMICAL USE. NO LATER THAN TWELVE MONTHS AFTER A PRIORITY CHEMICAL IS LISTED ON THE LIST PUBLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 37-0903 OF THIS TITLE, EVERY MANUFACTURER WHO OFFERS A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT FOR SALE OR DISTRIBUTION IN THIS STATE THAT CONTAINS AN INTENTIONALLY ADDED PRIORITY CHEMICAL SHALL REPORT SUCH CHEMICAL USE TO THE DEPARTMENT. THE DEPARTMENT MAY COLLABORATE WITH OTHER STATES AND AN INTERSTATE CHEMICALS CLEARINGHOUSE IN DEVELOPING SUCH FORM.

(A) THIS REPORT MUST AT A MINIMUM IDENTIFY THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT, THE PRIORITY CHEMICAL OR CHEMICALS CONTAINED IN THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT, AND THE INTENDED PURPOSE OF THE CHEMICALS IN THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT. THE DEPARTMENT MAY ALSO REQUIRE REPORTING OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

(I) THE POTENTIAL FOR HARM TO HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT FROM SPECIFIC USES OF THE PRIORITY CHEMICAL;

(II) THE AMOUNT OF SUCH CHEMICAL IN EACH UNIT OF THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT, EXPRESSED IN A RANGE;

(III) INFORMATION ON THE LIKELIHOOD THAT THE CHEMICAL WILL BE RELEASED FROM THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT TO THE ENVIRONMENT DURING THE PRODUCT'S LIFE CYCLE AND THE EXTENT TO WHICH USERS OF THE PRODUCT ARE LIKELY TO BE EXPOSED TO THE CHEMICAL; OR

(IV) INFORMATION ON THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE CHEMICAL IS PRESENT IN THE ENVIRONMENT OR HUMAN BODY.

(B) THE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO DIRECT SUBMISSION OF A COPY OF SUCH REPORT TO THE INTERSTATE CHEMICALS CLEARINGHOUSE.

2. WAIVER OF REPORTING. UPON APPLICATION BY A MANUFACTURER, THE COMMISSIONER MAY WAIVE ALL OR PART OF THE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS UNDER SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION FOR ONE OR MORE SPECIFIED USES OF A PRIORITY CHEMICAL. IN MAKING SUCH DETERMINATION, THE COMMISSIONER MAY CONSIDER: (A) IF SUBSTANTIALLY EQUIVALENT INFORMATION IS ALREADY PUBLICLY AVAILABLE OR THAT THE INFORMATION IS NOT NEEDED FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CHAPTER, (B) SIMILAR WAIVERS GRANTED BY OTHER STATES, AND (C) WHETHER THE SPECIFIED USE OR USES ARE MINOR IN VOLUME.

3. NOTICE TO RETAILERS. A MANUFACTURER OF A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT CONTAINING A PRIORITY CHEMICAL SHALL NOTIFY PERSONS THAT OFFER THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT FOR SALE OR DISTRIBUTION IN THE STATE, IN A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT, OF THE PRESENCE OF SUCH PRIORITY CHEMICAL, AND PROVIDE SUCH PERSONS WITH INFORMATION REGARDING THE TOXICITY OF SUCH CHEMICAL.

4. FEES. THE MANUFACTURER SHALL PAY A FEE UPON SUBMISSION OF A REPORT OF CHEMICAL USE PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION OR A WAIVER REQUEST PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION TWO OF THIS SECTION TO COVER THE DEPARTMENT'S REASONABLE COSTS IN THE AMOUNT OF SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS PER CHEMICAL.

S 37-0907. SALES PROHIBITION.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018, NO PERSON SHALL DISTRIBUTE, SELL OR OFFER FOR SALE IN THIS STATE A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT CONTAINING A PRIORITY CHEMICAL THAT HAS BEEN LISTED FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR. THIS PROVISION SHALL NOT APPLY TO A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT SOLELY BASED ON ITS CONTAINING AN ENCLOSED BATTERY OR ENCLOSED ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS. THE COMMISSIONER MAY EXEMPT A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT FROM THIS PROHIBITION IF, IN THE COMMISSIONER'S JUDGMENT, THE LACK OF AVAILABILITY OF THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT COULD POSE AN UNREASONABLE RISK TO PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE.

S 37-0909. APPLICABILITY.

1. NEW CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE SHALL APPLY TO CHEMICALS IN CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS SOLD OR DISTRIBUTED AS NEW AND DOES NOT APPLY TO USED CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS THAT ARE SOLD OR DISTRIBUTED FOR FREE AT SECONDHAND STORES, YARD SALES, ON THE INTERNET OR DONATED TO CHARITIES.

2. INDUSTRY. THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS TITLE SHALL NOT APPLY TO PRIORITY CHEMICALS USED IN OR FOR INDUSTRY OR MANUFACTURING, INCLUDING CHEMICALS PROCESSED OR OTHERWISE USED IN OR FOR INDUSTRIAL OR MANUFACTURING PROCESSES AND NOT INCLUDED IN THE FINAL PRODUCT.

3. TRANSPORTATION. THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS TITLE SHALL NOT APPLY TO MOTOR VEHICLES OR THEIR COMPONENT PARTS, WATERCRAFT OR THEIR COMPONENT PARTS, ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES OR THEIR COMPONENT PARTS, OR OFF-HIGHWAY MOTORCYCLES OR THEIR COMPONENT PARTS, EXCEPT THAT THE USE OF PRIORITY CHEMICALS IN DETACHABLE CAR SEATS IS NOT EXEMPT.

4. COMBUSTION. THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS TITLE SHALL NOT APPLY TO PRIORITY CHEMICALS GENERATED SOLELY AS COMBUSTION BY-PRODUCTS OR THAT ARE PRESENT IN COMBUSTIBLE FUELS.

5. RETAILERS. A RETAILER IS EXEMPT FROM THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS TITLE UNLESS THAT RETAILER KNOWINGLY SELLS A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT CONTAINING A PRIORITY CHEMICAL AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF ITS PROHIBITION FOR WHICH THAT RETAILER HAS RECEIVED NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION THREE OF SECTION 37-0905 OF THIS TITLE.

S 37-0911. ENFORCEMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION.

1. FAILURE TO PROVIDE NOTICE. A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT CONTAINING A PRIORITY CHEMICAL MAY NOT BE SOLD, OFFERED FOR SALE OR DISTRIBUTED FOR SALE IN THIS STATE UNLESS THE MANUFACTURER HAS PROVIDED THE NOTIFICATION REQUIRED UNDER SECTION 37-0905 OF THIS TITLE BY THE DATE REQUIRED IN

1 SUCH SECTION. THE COMMISSIONER MAY EXEMPT A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT FROM THIS
2 PROHIBITION IF, IN THE COMMISSIONER'S JUDGMENT, THE LACK OF AVAILABILITY
3 OF THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT COULD POSE AN UNREASONABLE RISK TO PUBLIC
4 HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE.

5 2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE. IF THERE ARE GROUNDS TO SUSPECT THAT A
6 CHILDREN'S PRODUCT IS BEING OFFERED FOR SALE IN VIOLATION OF THIS TITLE,
7 THE DEPARTMENT MAY REQUEST THE MANUFACTURER OF THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT TO
8 PROVIDE A STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE ON A FORM PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT,
9 WITHIN TEN DAYS OF RECEIPT OF A REQUEST FROM THE DEPARTMENT. THE STATE-
10 MENT OF COMPLIANCE SHALL:

11 (A) ATTEST THAT THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT DOES NOT CONTAIN THE PRIORITY
12 CHEMICAL; OR

13 (B) ATTEST AND PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT WITH DOCUMENTATION THAT NOTIFI-
14 CATION OF THE PRESENCE OF THE PRIORITY CHEMICAL HAS BEEN PROVIDED TO THE
15 DEPARTMENT OR PROVIDE NOTICE AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 37-0905 OF THIS
16 TITLE; OR

17 (C) ATTEST THAT THE MANUFACTURER HAS NOTIFIED PERSONS WHO SELL THE
18 PRODUCT IN THIS STATE THAT THE SALE OF THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT IS PROHIB-
19 ITED.

20 S 37-0913. INTERSTATE CHEMICAL CLEARINGHOUSE.

21 1. THE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO PARTICIPATE IN AN INTERSTATE CHEMI-
22 CALS CLEARINGHOUSE TO ASSIST IN CARRYING OUT THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS
23 TITLE. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH OTHER STATES AND
24 AN INTERSTATE CHEMICALS CLEARINGHOUSE FOR THE PURPOSE OF, INCLUDING BUT
25 NOT LIMITED TO:

26 (A) COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION REGARDING CHEMICAL
27 HAZARDS;

28 (B) COLLECTION AND DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION REGARDING THE USE OF
29 CHEMICALS IN CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS;

30 (C) ASSESSMENT OF ALTERNATIVES TO CHEMICALS AND THEIR USE IN PRODUCTS;
31 AND

32 (D) PUBLIC EDUCATION.

33 2. SUCH CLEARINGHOUSE IS AUTHORIZED TO MAINTAIN INFORMATION ON BEHALF
34 OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, INFORMATION
35 REGARDING CHEMICALS CONTAINED IN CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS DISCLOSED PURSUANT
36 TO SECTION 37-0905 OF THIS TITLE.

37 S 37-0915. REGULATIONS.

38 THE DEPARTMENT MAY ADOPT ANY RULES AND REGULATIONS IT DEEMS NECESSARY
39 TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS TITLE.

40 S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after
41 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the department of
42 environmental conservation is authorized to implement rules and regu-
43 lations for the timely implementation of this act on its effective date.