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Introduced by Sens. SQUADRON, HOYLMAN -- read twice and ordered printed,  
and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Environmental  
Conservation

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to  
prohibiting the manufacture, distribution and sale of children's foam  
mats containing formamide

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assem-  
bly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Article 37 of the environmental conservation law is amended  
by adding a new title 4 to read as follows:

TITLE IV  
FORMAMIDE

Section 37-0401. Short title.

37-0403. Definitions.

37-0405. Foam mat products.

37-0407. Preemption.

37-0409. Rules and regulations.

§ 37-0401. Short title.

This title shall be known and may be cited as the "formamide-free  
children's product act".

§ 37-0403. Definitions.

As used in this title: (a) "foam mat product" means all mats, pads,  
mattresses and cushions designed for use by children three years old or  
younger, including mats, pads, mattresses and cushions used as or in  
connection with bedding, changing platforms, strollers and carriages,  
high chairs, car seats, play pens and toys.

(b) "formamide" means the chemical identified by CAS number 75-12-7,  
including methanamide and carbamaldehyde.

§ 37-0405. Foam mat products.

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

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1     1. Beginning December first, two thousand nineteen, no person, firm,  
2     partnership, association, limited liability company or corporation shall  
3     sell or offer for sale in this state any foam mat product containing  
4     formamide.

5     2. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the sale or  
6     distribution of foam mat products resold or offered for resale, or  
7     distributed by consumers for consumer use.

8     § 37-0407. Preemption.

9     Jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to formamide which are regu-  
10    lated pursuant to the provisions of this title shall be vested exclu-  
11    sively in the state.

12    § 37-0409. Rules and regulations.

13    The department is authorized to promulgate such rules and regulations  
14    as it shall deem necessary to implement the provisions of this title.

15    § 2. This act shall take effect immediately.