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Introduced by Sens. FERNANDEZ, FELDER -- 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, sale, and use of cookware containing polytetrafluoroethylene

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

Section 1. Article 37 of the environmental conservation law is amended by adding a new title 12 to read as follows:

TITLE 12

POLYTETRAFLUOROETHYLENE COOKWARE

Section 37-1201. Definitions.

37-1202. Prohibition on manufacture, sale, and use of cookware containing polytetrafluoroethylene.

37-1203. Preemption.

37-1204. Rules and regulations.

§ 37-1201. Definitions.

For purposes of this title:

1. "Cookware" shall mean supplies used for cooking that interact with food, including those supplies used for preparing, serving, and storing food. "Cookware" shall include, but shall not be limited to, pots, pans, skillets, grills, cooking utensils, and cooking appliances.

2. "Polytetrafluoroethylene" shall mean the compound used as a coating in non-stick cookware. "Polytetrafluoroethylene" may also be known as "PTFE".

§ 37-1202. Prohibition on manufacture, sale, and use of cookware containing polytetrafluoroethylene.

On and after January first, two thousand twenty-six, no person shall manufacture, distribute, sell or offer for sale, or use in the state any cookware containing polytetrafluoroethylene.

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

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§ 37-1203. Preemption.

Jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to polytetrafluoroethylene cookware which is regulated pursuant to the provisions of this title shall be vested exclusively in the state.

§ 37-1204. Rules and regulations.

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

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.