

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CONCENTRATION FOR 1,4-DIOXANE IN HOUSEHOLD CLEANING AND PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS AND COSMETICS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2025) (a) (1) On and after April
- 2 1, 2026, no person shall manufacture, distribute, sell or offer for sale any
- 3 household cleaning product that contains 1,4-dioxane other than in
- 4 concentrations that do not exceed two parts per million.
- 5 (2) On and after April 1, 2027, no person shall manufacture,
- 6 distribute, sell or offer for sale any household cleaning product that
- 7 contains 1,4-dioxane other than in concentrations that do not exceed one
- 8 part per million.
- 9 (3) Not later than May 1, 2030, and every two years thereafter, the
- 10 Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, in consultation
- 11 with the Department of Public Health, shall review the concentration
- 12 thresholds established in this subsection and determine whether such
- 13 concentrations shall be lowered to better protect human health and the
- 14 environment.

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(4) Any manufacturer of a household cleaning product that is subject to the requirements of subsection (a) of this section may apply to the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection for a one-year waiver from such requirements for a specific household cleaning product and shall provide the commissioner with proof that the manufacturer has taken steps to reduce the presence of 1,4-dioxane in such product and is unable to comply with the requirements of subsection (a) of this section. Following the grant of any such one-year waiver, such manufacturer may apply to the commissioner for one additional one-year waiver for such household cleaning product and shall provide the commissioner with similar proof of reduction steps taken by such manufacturer.

- (b) (1) For purposes of this subsection: (A) "Cosmetic product" means any item intended to be rubbed, sprinkled or sprayed on, introduced into or otherwise applied to the human body or any part thereof for beautifying, promoting attractiveness or altering the appearance of, including, but not limited to, any item intended for use as a component of any such item. "Cosmetic product" does not include any personal care product for which a prescription is required for distribution or dispensation; and (B) "personal care product" means any product intended for cleaning any part of the body, such as the skin and hair, and includes, but is not limited to, hair shampoo, hair conditioner, soap, bath gel and any other bathing product. "Personal care product" does not include any product for which a prescription is required for distribution or dispensation.
- (2) On and after April 1, 2026, no person shall manufacture, distribute, sell or offer for sale any cosmetic product that contains 1,4-dioxane, other than in concentrations that do not exceed ten parts per million.
- (3) (A) On and after April 1, 2026, no person shall manufacture, distribute, sell or offer for sale any personal care product that contains 1,4-dioxane other than in concentrations that do not exceed two parts

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47 per million.

- (B) On and after April 1, 2027, no person shall manufacture, distribute, sell or offer for sale any personal care product that contains 1,4-dioxane other than in concentrations that do not exceed two parts per million.
 - (4) Not later than May 1, 2030 and every two years thereafter, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, in consultation with the Department of Public Health, shall review the concentration thresholds established in this subsection and determine whether such concentrations shall be lowered to better protect human health and the environment.
 - (5) Any manufacturer of a cosmetic product or personal care product, otherwise subject to the requirements of this subsection, may apply to the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection for a one-year waiver from such requirements for a specific cosmetic product or personal care product, as applicable. Such manufacturer shall provide proof to the commissioner that it has taken steps to reduce the presence of 1,4-dioxane in such product and is unable to comply with the requirements of this subsection. Following the grant of any such one-year waiver, such manufacturer may apply to the commissioner for one additional one-year waiver for such product and shall provide the commissioner with similar proof of reduction steps taken by such manufacturer.
 - (c) Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be fined by the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection not more than one thousand dollars for each day during which such violation continues, and in addition thereto, such person may be enjoined from continuing such violation. Any person who violates the provisions of this section for a second or subsequent such violation shall be fined by said commissioner not more than two thousand five hundred dollars for each day during which such violation continues.

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(d) The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection may adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

This act shal sections:	l take effect as follow	s and shall amend the following
Section 1	October 1, 2025	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To protect the public health and the environment by reducing exposure to harmful contaminants in household cleaning, personal care and cosmetic products and encourage safer manufacturing practices.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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