

Subject PFAS in Cookware

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Overview

This bill would ban the manufacture, distribution, and sale of cookware that contain perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) beginning January 1, 2024. PFAS are a family of manmade chemicals that are used in a variety of products including nonstick cookware, food packaging, household items, and outdoor gear. PFAS do not breakdown in the environment and can accumulate over time. There is evidence that exposure to PFAS can lead to adverse human health effects.

Summary

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Subd. 1. Definitions. Defines cookware and PFAS for purposes of the ban.

Subd. 2. Prohibition. Prohibits the manufacture, sale, or distribution of cookware that contains PFAS. Exempts the sale or resale of used products from the prohibition.

Subd. 3. Enforcement. Allows the Pollution Control Agency (PCA) to enforce the ban using existing authorities and requires coordination with the commissioners of commerce and health. Requires a person to furnish information to the PCA, if requested, that is relevant to show compliance with this section.

Effective date. States the section is effective January 1, 2024.