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Bill Summary

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Overview

This bill prohibits certain chemicals from being manufactured or sold in children's products, upholstered residential furniture, or mattresses. The prohibition applies to manufacturers as of July 1, 2017, and retailers as of July 1, 2018. The bill also prohibits manufacturers from replacing the prohibited chemicals with other chemicals known or suspected to cause certain harm.

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1 Flame-Retardant Chemicals; Prohibition. Adds § 325F.071.

Subd. 1. Definitions. Defines terms.

Subd. 2. Flame-retardant chemicals; prohibition. (a) Lists certain flame-retardant chemicals in amounts greater than 100 parts per million in any product component that manufacturers or wholesalers will be prohibited from manufacturing, selling, or distributing for the use in a children's product, upholstered residential furniture, or mattress on and after July 1, 2017.

(b) Prohibits the same flame-retardant chemicals in amounts greater than 100 parts per million in any product component from being sold by retailers in any children's product, upholstered residential furniture, or mattress on or after July 1, 2018.

(c) Exempts the sale or offer for sale of any previously owned product from the provisions of this section.

Subd. 3. Flame-retardant chemicals; replacement chemicals. Prohibits a manufacturer from replacing a chemical prohibited under this section with certain

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other chemicals known or suspected with a high degree of probability to cause certain harms to persons.