

SB 5515 - DIGEST

(SEE ALSO PROPOSED 2ND SUB)

Prohibits the sale of products that contain polybrominated diphenyl ethers.

Provides that, subject to available funding, the department of general administration and the department of health shall conduct a stakeholder process to develop a proposal for a ban on the use of decabromodiphenylether in transportation vehicles, and a proposal for the ban or management of used and recycled products containing polybrominated diphenyl ethers.

Requires the department and the department of health to report the findings and recommendations of the stakeholder process to the appropriate committees of the legislature by December 15, 2005. The preparation of the reports required in this provision is subject to available funding.

Provides that, by January 1, 2006, the department of general administration shall: (1) Give priority and preference to the purchase of equipment, supplies, and other products that do not contain polybrominated diphenyl ethers; and

(2) Make available for purchase and use by all state agencies only equipment, supplies, and other products that do not contain polybrominated diphenyl ethers.

Directs the department of general administration to, by January 1, 2006, revise its rules, policies, and guidelines to implement the purposes of this act.

Declares that a violation of this act is punishable by a civil penalty not to exceed one thousand dollars for each violation in the case of a first offense. Repeat violators are liable for a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars for each repeat offense. Penalties collected under this provision must be deposited in the state toxics control account created in RCW 70.105D.070.