

HB 1472-S2.E - DIGEST

(AS OF HOUSE 2ND READING 3/11/15)

Establishes the toxics reduction act.

Requires the department of ecology to: (1) In consultation with the department of health, select up to four chemicals for the development of chemical action plans; and

(2) When developing a chemical action plan, convene an external advisory committee to provide stakeholder input, expertise, and additional information.

Requires the department of enterprise services to establish purchasing and procurement policies that provide a preference for products and products in packaging that do not contain: (1) Persistent, bioaccumulative, and toxic chemicals as defined in chapter 173-333 WAC (persistent bioaccumulative toxins); and

(2) Chemicals that have been addressed by a completed chemical action plan that has included a recommendation that the state adopt a purchasing and procurement policy for products and products in packaging that do not contain the chemical.

Prohibits an agency from knowingly purchasing products or products in packaging containing the aforementioned chemicals.

Provides for termination and review, under the sunset act, of the authority of the department of ecology to do the following with regard to this act: (1) Require manufacturers to provide information on chemicals and conduct alternatives assessments;

(2) Prepare summary reports on alternatives assessments;

(3) Prohibit the use of chemicals and the sale, offer for sale, or distribution of a product containing a prohibited chemical; and

(4) Assess penalties.

Provides that this act is null and void if appropriations are not approved.