



# Senate

General Assembly

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 274

*Senate, April 11, 2012*

The Committee on Public Health reported through SEN. GERRATANA of the 6th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

## ***AN ACT CONCERNING CHEMICALS OF CONCERN TO CHILDREN.***

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) Not later than January 15, 2013, the  
2 Commissioner of Public Health shall, within available appropriations  
3 and in consultation with the Commissioner of Energy and  
4 Environmental Protection, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection  
5 and the Chemical Innovations Institute within The University of  
6 Connecticut Health Center, established pursuant to section 22a-903 of  
7 the general statutes, submit a report concerning the regulation of  
8 chemicals of concern to children. Such report shall include, but shall  
9 not be limited to: (1) A list of chemicals identified by other states to be  
10 of concern to children and a description of any action taken by a state  
11 to regulate such chemicals; (2) a description of programs administered  
12 by other states and governmental entities that evaluate and regulate  
13 such chemicals; (3) a description of regulations in the state relating to  
14 the use of such chemicals in manufacturing and the disposal of such  
15 chemicals; (4) a description of programs administered by the

16 Department of Energy and Environmental Protection that regulate the  
 17 use of such chemicals; (5) an evaluation of the feasibility of the  
 18 Department of Consumer Protection to monitor and enforce the  
 19 regulation of such chemicals, including bans or limits on the use of  
 20 such chemicals, labeling and reporting on the use of such chemicals;  
 21 (6) an opinion as to whether the state should regulate any such  
 22 chemical; (7) recommendations for ways to improve the state's  
 23 regulation of such chemicals, including (A) the feasibility of  
 24 identifying priority chemicals from the list of chemicals identified  
 25 pursuant to subdivision (1) of this section, (B) the use of safer  
 26 alternatives to such chemicals, and (C) the implementation of labeling,  
 27 consumer warnings, reporting, content limits and the ban or phase-out  
 28 of the use of one or more of such chemicals; and (8) an evaluation of  
 29 the potential use of green chemistry to remediate the effects of such  
 30 chemicals. The Commissioner of Public Health shall submit such  
 31 report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general  
 32 statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly  
 33 having cognizance of matters relating to public health, the  
 34 environment and consumer protection.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

**Statement of Legislative Commissioners:**

In the last sentence of section 1, the reference to "general law" was changed to "consumer protection" for accuracy.

**PH**      *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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**OFA Fiscal Note****State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

There is no fiscal impact to the Department of Public Health (DPH) to submit a report concerning the regulation of chemicals of concern to children as the agency's Environmental and Occupational Health Assessment Program has already completed related research needed to draft such a report.

**The Out Years****State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None

**OLR Bill Analysis**

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**SUMMARY:**

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 20 Nay 6 (03/26/2012)