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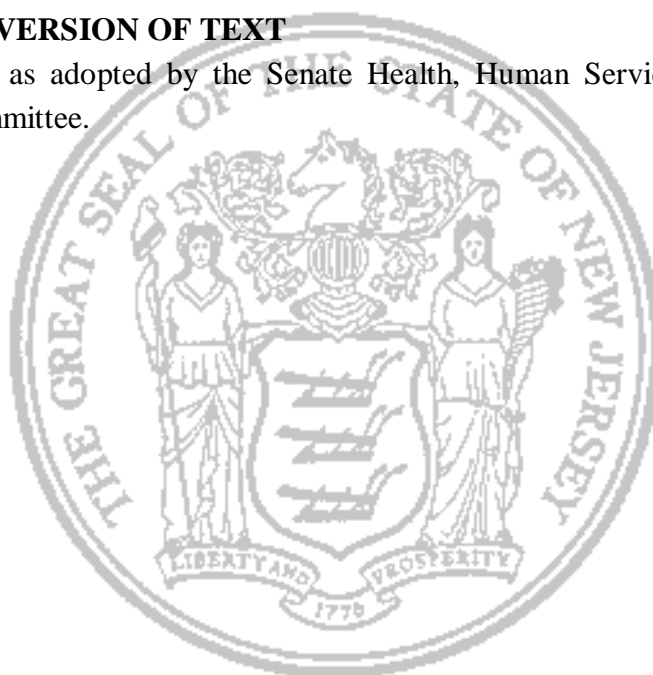
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SYNOPSIS

Urges the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to expedite their current review of bisphenol A in food containers, toys, and baby bottles.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Substitute as adopted by the Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee.



1 **A SENATE RESOLUTION** urging the United States Food and Drug
2 Administration to expedite their current review of the use of
3 bisphenol A in food containers, toys, and baby bottles.
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5 **WHEREAS**, Bisphenol A (BPA) is found in many general plastics,
6 such as food and drink packaging, baby bottles, thermoses, and
7 other reusable plastic containers, and it is used as an epoxy can
8 liner, coating items such as food cans, bottles, and water supply
9 pipes, and in the production of polycarbonate plastics; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Upon the request of the Commissioner of the United
11 States Food and Drug Administration (FDA), the FDA formed
12 an agency-wide BPA task force to facilitate cross-agency review
13 and evaluation of current research and new information on BPA
14 for all FDA regulated products and to make recommendations to
15 the commissioner regarding actions the FDA should take next
16 regarding BPA; and

17 **WHEREAS**, As part of its evaluation, the task force will review the
18 concerns presented in the National Toxicology Program Draft
19 Brief published on April 14, 2008 by the National Institutes of
20 Health, and the concerns presented in the Canadian draft risk
21 assessment released in April 2008; and

22 **WHEREAS**, FDA has been reviewing the emerging literature on
23 BPA on a continuous basis. In addition, FDA is conducting a
24 review of the data on neural and behavioral effects of BPA
25 exposure; and

26 **WHEREAS**, FDA will consider the research and positions of other
27 transnational food safety organizations, including the two risk
28 assessments for BPA conducted by the European Food Safety
29 Authority's Scientific Panel on Food Additives, Flavourings,
30 Processing Aids and Materials in Contact with Food, and the
31 Japanese National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and
32 Technology; and

33 **WHEREAS**, In January 2008, the United States House of
34 Representatives Committee on Energy and Commerce began
35 investigating the use of BPA in products intended for use by
36 infants and children; and

37 **WHEREAS**, It is altogether fitting and proper and in the public
38 interest for this House to urge the FDA to expedite their current
39 review of BPA in food containers, toys, and baby bottles; now,
40 therefore,

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42 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the Senate of the State of New Jersey:*

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44 1. This House urges the United States Food and Drug
45 Administration to expedite their current review of BPA in food
46 containers, toys, and baby bottles.

SCS for **SR46** SINGER, CONNORS

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1 2. Duly authenticated copies of this resolution, signed by the
2 President of the Senate and attested by the Secretary of the Senate,
3 shall be transmitted to the President and Vice President of the United
4 States, the Commissioner of the United States Food and Drug
5 Administration, and each member of the United States Congress
6 elected from this State.