

HR 2567

Antifreeze Bittering Act of 2006

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Rep. Weldon, Curt [R-PA-7]	R · PA		Apr 25, 2006
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Rep. Wynn, Albert Russell [D-MD-4]	D · MD		Jun 20, 2006
Rep. Gonzalez, Charles A. [D-TX-20]	D · TX		Jun 28, 2006
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Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-14]	D · NY		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Schmidt, Jean [R-OH-2]	R · OH		Sep 13, 2006
Rep. Baird, Brian [D-WA-3]	D · WA		Sep 19, 2006

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Rep. Weller, Jerry [R-IL-11]	R · IL		Sep 19, 2006
Rep. Neal, Richard E. [D-MA-2]	D · MA		Dec 6, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Hearings By (subcommittee)	May 23, 2006
Judiciary Committee	House	Discharged From	Dec 9, 2006
Transportation and Infrastructure Committee	House	Discharged From	Dec 9, 2006

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Environmental Protection

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 S 1110	Related bill	Mar 14, 2006: Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 373.

Antifreeze Bittering Act of 2006 - Amends the Federal Hazardous Substances Act to require the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) to: (1) commence, in cooperation with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and state officials, an evaluation to determine whether there is evidence that the use of the bittering agent denatonium benzoate in engine coolant or antifreeze has an unreasonable adverse effect on the environment; (2) complete such evaluation within 180 days; and (3) publish its findings in the Federal Register.

Requires engine coolant or antifreeze that is manufactured 180 days or more after publication of the Commission's findings and that contains more than 10% ethylene glycol to include a specified concentration of denatonium benzoate to render the coolant or antifreeze unpalatable unless the Commission finds evidence that denatonium benzoate has an unreasonable adverse effect on the environment. Allows the Commission to permit use of an alternative bittering agent in lieu of denatonium benzoate if the Commission finds: (1) that such alternative is as effective as denatonium benzoate; and (2) in cooperation with EPA, that there is no evidence of an unreasonable adverse environmental effect.

Defines the term "unreasonable adverse effect on the environment" to mean an unreasonable risk to human health or the environment, taking into account the economic, social, and environmental costs and benefits.

Deems any engine coolant or antifreeze that is not in compliance with this Act to be a banned hazardous substance.

Requires a coolant or antifreeze manufacturer to maintain records of active ingredients of bittering agents.

Limits the liability of manufacturers, processors, distributors, recyclers, or sellers of engine coolant or antifreeze related to the inclusion of denatonium benzoate in compliance with this Act. Declares that the Act does not exempt manufacturers or distributors of denatonium benzoate or an alternative bittering agent from liability related to such additive.

Preempts state or local laws that impose different requirements relating to the inclusion of a bittering agent in engine coolant or antifreeze with respect to retail containers containing less than 55 gallons. Declares this Act inapplicable to: (1) the sale of a motor vehicle that contains engine coolant or antifreeze; or (2) wholesale containers of 55 gallons or more of engine coolant or antifreeze.

Actions Timeline

- **Dec 8, 2006:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on 109-730, Part I.
- **Dec 8, 2006:** Reported (Amended) by the Committee on 109-730, Part I.
- **Dec 8, 2006:** Referred jointly and sequentially to the House Committee on the Judiciary for a period ending not later than Dec. 8, 2006 for consideration of such provisions of the bill and amendment as fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(l), rule X.
- **Dec 8, 2006:** Referred jointly and sequentially to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for a period ending not later than Dec. 8, 2006 for consideration of such provisions of the bill and amendment as fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(r), rule X.
- **Dec 8, 2006:** Committee on Judiciary discharged.
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- **Dec 8, 2006:** Committee on Transportation discharged.
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- **Dec 8, 2006:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 433.
- **Jul 12, 2006:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Jul 12, 2006:** Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 30 - 15.
- **May 23, 2006:** Subcommittee Hearings Held.
- **Jun 17, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Environment and Hazardous Materials.
- **May 24, 2005:** Introduced in House
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