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Ban Poisonous Additives Act of 2009

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Chamber: Senate
Policy Area: Health
Introduced: Mar 12, 2009
Current Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure
Latest Action: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3087-3088) (Mar 12, 2009)
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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** CA • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (7 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Schumer, Charles E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Mar 12, 2009
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Apr 30, 2009
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Aug 4, 2009
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Sep 11, 2009
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Nov 17, 2009
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Feb 4, 2010
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Feb 25, 2010

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Mar 12, 2009

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
111 HR 1523	Related bill	**Mar 17, 2009:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Summary (as of Mar 12, 2009)

Ban Poisonous Additives Act of 2009 - Treats any food container that is composed, in whole or in part, of bisphenol A or that can release bisphenol A into food as a container that is composed of a poisonous or deleterious substance for purposes of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. Bans the use of such containers. Allows the Secretary of Health and Human Services to grant a waiver of such ban for one year (renewable for an additional year) under specified circumstances. Requires any product for which the Secretary grants a waiver to display a prominent warning on its label of the potential health effects associated with bisphenol A.

Directs the Commissioner of Food and Drugs to periodically review substances listed in federal regulations and generally recognized as safe. Requires any such substances that are shown by new scientific evidence to cause reproductive or developmental toxicity in humans or animals to be banned or otherwise restricted.

Amends the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to require (currently, permits) a manufacturer or supplier of a food contact substance to notify the Secretary of the identity, intended use, and safety of any such substance and of determinations as to the health effects of such substance.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 12, 2009:** Introduced in Senate
- **Mar 12, 2009:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3086-3087)
- **Mar 12, 2009:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3087-3088)

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