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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Lead-Containing Children's Products - Prohibition

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting the manufacture, sale, offer for sale, importation, or 4 distribution of certain lead-containing children's products or lead-adulterated 5 consumable products in a certain manner; providing that certain provisions of 6 this Act do not apply to certain electronic devices, certain distribution 7 operations or activities, or certain vehicles, products, parts, or equipment; 8 authorizing an agent of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to enter 9 certain factories, warehouses, and establishments to inspect certain products at any reasonable time; requiring an agent of the Department to present certain 10 11 credentials to certain persons under certain circumstances; authorizing an 12 agent of the Department to obtain a sample of any product, package, or labeling during an inspection; requiring an agent of the Department to take certain 13 actions when obtaining a certain sample; requiring the Department to test a 14 15 certain sample of a product under certain circumstances; requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to make certain declarations if a 16 17 product is a lead-containing product or a lead-adulterated consumable product; 18 requiring the Department of the Environment to issue and give certain notices 19 under certain circumstances; requiring a manufacturer of a children's product to 20 conduct a certain testing of the product and issue a certain certificate under 21 certain circumstances; requiring a person to ensure that the certificate is 22 transmitted to certain distributors and retailers in a certain manner; requiring

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

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Debt Collection Act;

| $\begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{matrix}$ | certain manufacturers and retailers to maintain certain documents and to provide certain documents to the Department or any person on request; prohibiting a person from selling or offering for sale a children's product that is |
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| 4 | not accompanied by a certain certificate; requiring a certain person to send |
| 5 | certain information to the Department under certain circumstances; requiring a |
| 6 | certain person to submit a certain report to the Department under certain |
| 7 | circumstances; providing that certain provisions of this Act do not affect the |
| 8 | enforcement of certain local laws; establishing certain penalties; <u>authorizing the</u> |
| 9 | Comptroller to assess a certain fine against a certain person; requiring the |
| 10 | Comptroller to distribute certain fines to a certain fund; providing that a |
| 11 | violation of this Act is an unfair or deceptive trade practice within the meaning |
| $\frac{11}{12}$ | of the Maryland Consumer Protection Act and is subject to certain enforcement |
| 13 | and penalty provisions; defining certain terms; authorizing the Secretary of |
| $\frac{13}{14}$ | Health and Mental Hygiene the Environment to adopt certain regulations; |
| 15 | making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to prohibiting |
| 16 | lead-containing <u>children's</u> products. |
| 10 | lead-containing <u>cimuren's</u> products. |
| 17 | BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, |
| 18 | Article – Commercial Law |
| 19 | Section 13–301(14) |
| 20 | Annotated Code of Maryland |
| $\overline{21}$ | (2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement) |
| 22 23 24 | BY adding to Article – Health – General Environment Section 22–601 6–1301 through 22–609 6–1311 to be under the new subtitle |
| $\frac{24}{25}$ | "Subtitle 6- 13. Lead—Containing Children's Products" |
| 26 | Annotated Code of Maryland |
| $\frac{20}{27}$ | (2005 <u>2007</u> Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement) |
| 41 | (2000 2001 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement) |
| 28 29 | SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: |
| 30 | Article - Commercial Law |
| 31 | <u>13–301.</u> |
| 32 | <u>Unfair or deceptive trade practices include any:</u> |
| 33 | (14) Violation of a provision of: |
| 34 | (i) This title; |
| 35 | (ii) An order of the Attorney General or agreement of a party |
| 36 | relating to unit pricing under Title 14, Subtitle 1 of this article; |
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Title 14, Subtitle 2 of this article, the Maryland Consumer

| ${1 \atop 2}$ | Door-to-Door Sale | (iv) es Act; | Title 14, Subtitle 3 of this article, the Maryland |
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| 3 | | <u>(v)</u> | Title 14, Subtitle 9 of this article, Kosher Products; |
| 4 5 | Facilities; | (vi) | Title 14, Subtitle 10 of this article, Automotive Repair |
| 6 | | (vii) | Section 14–1302 of this article; |
| 7 8 | Act; | (viii) | <u>Title 14, Subtitle 11 of this article, Maryland Layaway Sales</u> |
| 9 | | <u>(ix)</u> | Section 22–415 of the Transportation Article; |
| 10 | | <u>(x)</u> | Title 14, Subtitle 20 of this article; |
| 11 12 | Enforcement Act; | <u>(xi)</u> | Title 14, Subtitle 15 of this article, the Automotive Warranty |
| 13 | | (xii) | Title 14, Subtitle 21 of this article; |
| 14 | | (xiii) | Section 18–107 of the Transportation Article; |
| 15 16 | Solicitations Act; | (xiv) | Title 14, Subtitle 22 of this article, the Maryland Telephone |
| 17 18 | Parts Act; | <u>(xv)</u> | Title 14, Subtitle 23 of this article, the Automotive Crash |
| 19 | | (xvi) | Title 10, Subtitle 6 of the Real Property Article; |
| 20 21 | Act; | (xvii) | Title 14, Subtitle 25 of this article, the Hearing Aid Sales |
| 22 23 | Door-to-Door Soli | | Title 14, Subtitle 26 of this article, the Maryland as Act; |
| 24 25 | Goods Movers Act; | (xix) | Title 14, Subtitle 31 of this article, the Maryland Household |
| 26 27 | Consumer Protecti | (<u>xx)</u> on Act | Title 14, Subtitle 32 of this article, the Maryland Telephone |
| 28 29 | Number Privacy A | (<u>xxi)</u> ct; | Title 14, Subtitle 33 of this article, the Social Security |

| 1 | | (xxii) | Section | 14–1319 | or § 14- | -1320 |) of t | <u>his art</u> | icle; [or] | |
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| 2 | | (xxiii) | Section ' | 7–304 of | the Cri | <u>mina</u> | l Lav | v Artic | <u>le; or</u> | |
| 3 4 | ARTICLE; OR | (XXIV) | TITLE | 6, SUB | BTITLE | 13 | OF | THE | ENVIRO | NMENT |
| 5 | | Articl | e – Healt | h - Gen | eral <u>En</u> | viro | nme | <u>nt</u> | | |
| 6 | SUBTIT | TLE 6. <u>13.</u> | LEAD-C | ONTAINI | ING <u>Ch</u> | ILDR | REN'S | S PRO | DUCTS. | |
| 7 | 22-601. <u>6-1301.</u> | <u>.</u> | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | (A) IN TINDICATED. | THIS SUBT | TITLE TH | E FOLL | OWING | WOF | RDS 1 | HAVE | THE ME | ANINGS |
| 10 11 | (B) <u>(1)</u> <u>CHILD</u> " MEANS A | SUBJEC AN INDIVI | | | | | | | | " CHILD |
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| 15 | (c) <u>(1)</u> | "CHILD | REN'S PR | ODUCT' | ' MEAN | s: | | | | |
| 16 17 | (1) OR | <u>(I)</u> A | PRODUC | т тнат | IS MAI | RKET | red 1 | FOR U | SE BY A | CHILD; |
| 18 19 | (2) FORESEEABLE. | <u>(II)</u> A | PRODU | CT THE | USE | OF | WHI | сн в | У А СН | IILD IS |
| 20 21 | (2) DEFINED IN § 21 | "CHILD -101 OF | | | | | | | UDE FO | OD AS |
| 22 | (D) "Co | NSUMABI | Æ PRODU | CT" INC | LUDES | ŧ | | | | |
| 23 24 | (1) CONSUMED BY A | CANDY CHILD; A | | FECTIO | NARY I | TEM | S TH | AT AR | E LIKEL | Y TO BE |
| 25 | (2) | DIETAR | Y SUPPL | ements | - | | | | | |
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| 1 | (F) | "LEA | D-ADULTERATED CONSUMABLE PRODUCT" MEANS ANY |
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| 2 | CONSUMAB | LE PI | RODUCT OR ITEM OR CONSUMABLE HOMEOPATHIC REMEDY |
| 3 | THAT CONT | 'AINS | LEAD IN AN AMOUNT: |
| 4 | | (1) | IN EXCESS OF 0.1 PPM; OR |
| 5 | | (2) | SET BY THE SECRETARY IN REGULATION. |
| 6 | ` ' — | | "LEAD-CONTAINING PRODUCT" MEANS A PRODUCT IN WHICH |
| 7 | | | PONENT, OR COATING OF THE PRODUCT CONTAINS LEAD OR |
| 8 | LEAD COMP | POUNI | OS ‡ |
| 9 | | (1) | GREATER GREATER THAN 0.02% THE LESSER OF: |
| 10 | | (1) | 0.06% BY WEIGHT OF THE TOTAL WEIGHT OF THE PART, |
| 11 | COMPONEN | | COATING; OR |
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| 12 | | (2) | IN AN AMOUNT SET BY THE SECRETARY IN REGULATION. |
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| 13 | | <u>(2)</u> | THE STANDARD ESTABLISHED UNDER FEDERAL LAW |
| 14 | REGARDING | G THE | PERMISSIBLE LEVEL OF LEAD IN CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS. |
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| 15 | <u>(E)</u> | "MAI | NUFACTURER" MEANS A PERSON THAT IS THE BRAND OWNER |
| 16 | OF A PRODU | UCT. | |
| 17 | (II) <u>(I</u> | <u>F)</u> "I | PRODUCT" INCLUDES: |
| 18 | | (1) | ACCESSORIES AND JEWELRY; |
| 19 | | (2) | CLOTHING; |
| 10 | | (2) | CLOTHING, |
| 20 | | (3) | DECORATIVE OBJECTS; |
| 21 | | (4) | FURNITURE; |
| 22 | | (5) | HOMEOPATHIC REMEDIES LUNCH BOXES AND EATING |
| 23 | UTENSILS; | (0) | HOMEOTATING REMEDIES LUNCTI BOXES AND EATING |
| 20 | <u>OTENSILS</u> , | | |
| 24 | | (6) | TOYS; AND |
| 25 | | (7) | WRAPPERS ANY OTHER ITEM SPECIFIED BY THE |
| 26 | DEPARTME | ` ' | REGULATION. |
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| 27 | (I) | "WR | APPER" MEANS ANY PACKAGING MATERIAL THAT IS IN |
| 28 | CONTACT W | | OOD, INCLUDING: |

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| 1 | (1) | Paper; |
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| 2 | (2) | CELLOPHANE; |
| 3 | (3) | A PLASTIC CONTAINER; |
| 4 | (4) | A STICK HANDLE; |
| 5 | (5) | A SPOON; |
| 6 | (6) | A POT; |
| 7 | (7) | A SQUEEZE TUBE; AND |
| 8 | (8) | ANY OTHER SIMILAR DEVICE. |
| 9 | 22-602. 6-1302. | |
| J | 22-002. <u>0-1302.</u> | |
| 10 | THIS SUBT | ITLE DOES NOT APPLY TO: |
| 11 | (1) | AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE THAT IS A LEAD-CONTAINING |
| 12 | PRODUCT UNLES | SS THE SECRETARY DETERMINES THAT DURING THE NORMAL |
| 13 | USE OF THE ELE | CTRONIC DEVICE THERE IS A SIGNIFICANT RISK THAT A CHILD |
| 14 | COULD BE EXPO | SED TO THE LEAD CONTAINED IN THE ELECTRONIC DEVICE; |
| 15 | AND | |
| 16 | (2) | ANY FACTORY, WAREHOUSE, OR ESTABLISHMENT AT A |
| 17 | MARINE TERMIN | AL DISTRIBUTION OPERATION OR ACTIVITY PERFORMED IN A |
| 18 | FACTORY, WARE | HOUSE, OR ESTABLISHMENT, OR, IN THE COURSE OF SURFACE |
| 19 | TRANSPORTATIO | N, AT A PORT FACILITY AS DEFINED IN § 6-101 OF THE |
| 20 | TRANSPORTATIO | ON ARTICLE; AND |
| 21 | (3) | A VEHICLE AS DEFINED IN § 11-176 OF THE |
| 22 | | ON ARTICLE, A PRODUCT OR PART FOR USE IN A VEHICLE, OR |
| 23 | TRANSPORTATIO | |
| 24 | 22-603. <u>6-1303.</u> | |
| 25 | A PERSON | MAY NOT MANUFACTURE, : |
| 26 | <u>(1)</u> | MANUFACTURE A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT THAT IS A |
| 27 | LEAD-CONTAINI | NG PRODUCT; OR SELL, |
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SELL, OFFER FOR SALE, IMPORT, OR DISTRIBUTE\$

| 1 | (1) A, BY ANY MEANS, INCLUDING THROUGH A SALES OUTLET, A |
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| 2 | CATALOG, OR THE INTERNET, A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT THAT IS A |
| 3 | LEAD-CONTAINING PRODUCT ; OR |
| | |
| 4 | (2) A LEAD-ADULTERATED CONSUMABLE PRODUCT. |
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| 5 | 22_604. |
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| 6 | (A) AT ANY REASONABLE TIME, AN AGENT OF THE DEPARTMENT MAY |
| 7 | ENTER A FACTORY, WAREHOUSE, OR ESTABLISHMENT IN WHICH A PRODUCT IS |
| 8 | MANUFACTURED, PROCESSED, PACKAGED, STORED, SOLD, OR OFFERED FOR |
| 9 | SALE TO INSPECT ANY FINISHED OR UNFINISHED PRODUCT. |
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| 10 | (B) WHEN CONDUCTING AN INSPECTION UNDER THIS SECTION, AN |
| 11 | AGENT OF THE DEPARTMENT IMMEDIATELY SHALL PRESENT APPROPRIATE |
| 12 | CREDENTIALS TO THE OWNER, OPERATOR, OR AGENT IN CHARGE OF THE |
| 13 | FACTORY, WAREHOUSE, OR ESTABLISHMENT. |
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| 14 | (c) (1) During an inspection conducted under this section, |
| 15 | AN AGENT OF THE DEPARTMENT MAY OBTAIN A SAMPLE OF ANY PRODUCT, |
| 16 | PACKAGE, OR LABELING. |
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| 17 | (2) An agent of the Department who obtains a sample |
| 18 | SHALL: |
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| 19 | (I) PAY OR OFFER TO PAY FOR THE SAMPLE; AND |
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| 20 | (II) GIVE TO THE OWNER, OPERATOR, OR AGENT IN CHARGE |
| 21 | OF THE FACTORY, WAREHOUSE, OR ESTABLISHMENT A RECEIPT THAT |
| 22 | DESCRIBES THE SAMPLE. |
| | DESCRIBED THE SAME DEC |
| 23 | (D) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL TEST A SAMPLE OF A PRODUCT |
| $\frac{24}{24}$ | OBTAINED BY AN AGENT TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PRODUCT IS A |
| 25 | LEAD-CONTAINING PRODUCT OR A LEAD-ADULTERATED CONSUMABLE |
| 26 | PRODUCT. |
| 20 | FRODUCT: |
| 27 | (E) IF THE PRODUCT IS A LEAD-CONTAINING PRODUCT OR A |
| 28 | LEAD-ADULTERATED CONSUMABLE PRODUCT, THE SECRETARY SHALL: |
| 20 | EEMD-ADOLIEMTED CONSUMENDER I RODUCT, THE SECRETARY SHALE |
| 29 | (1) DECLARE THE PRODUCT HAZARDOUS AND REQUIRE THE |
| 30 | REMOVAL OF THE PRODUCT FROM THE STREAM OF COMMERCE; AND |
| UU | HENIOVAL OF THE FRODUCT FROM THE STREAM OF CUMMERCE, AND |

REQUEST.

| 1 | (2) DECLARE ALL PRODUCTS OF THE SAME STYLE PRODUCED BY |
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| 2 | THE SAME MANUFACTURER TO BE HAZARDOUS AND REQUIRE THE REMOVAL OF |
| 3 | THE PRODUCT FROM THE STREAM OF COMMERCE. |
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| 4 | 6–1304. |
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| 5 | (A) A MANUFACTURER OF A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT SHALL: |
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| 6 | (1) TEST WHETHER THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT IS A |
| 7 | LEAD-CONTAINING PRODUCT BY USING AN INDEPENDENT THIRD PARTY |
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| 0 | QUALIFIED TESTING ENTITY THAT: |
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| 9 | (I) IS NOT OWNED, MANAGED, CONTROLLED, OR DIRECTED |
| 10 | BY THE MANUFACTURER; AND |
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| 11 | (II) IS ACCREDITED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN |
| 12 | ACCREDITATION PROCESS ESTABLISHED OR RECOGNIZED BY THE |
| 13 | DEPARTMENT; AND |
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| 14 | (2) If the children's product tested under item (1) of |
| 15 | THIS SUBSECTION IS NOT A LEAD-CONTAINING PRODUCT, ISSUE A CERTIFICATE |
| 16 | • |
| | THAT CERTIFIES THAT THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT IS NOT A LEAD-CONTAINING |
| 17 | PRODUCT. |
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| 18 | (B) A PERSON SHALL ENSURE THAT THE CERTIFICATE ISSUED IN |
| 19 | ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION IS TRANSMITTED WITH |
| 20 | THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT TO ANY DISTRIBUTOR OR RETAILER WHO RECEIVES |
| 21 | THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT. |
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| 22 | (C) A MANUFACTURER SHALL: |
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| 23 | (1) MAINTAIN A COPY OF ANY DOCUMENTS RELATED TO LEAD |
| 24 | TESTING AND ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A) |
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| 25 | OF THIS SECTION; AND |
| 00 | (2) |
| 26 | (2) PROVIDE A COPY TO THE DEPARTMENT OR ANY PERSON ON |
| 27 | REQUEST. |
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| 28 | (D) A RETAILER SHALL: |
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| 29 | (1) MAINTAIN A COPY OF ANY CERTIFICATE ISSUED IN |
| 30 | ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION; AND |
| - • | |
| 31 | (2) PROVIDE A COPY TO THE DEPARTMENT OR ANY PERSON ON |
| 32 | |
| U | REQUEST. |

| 1 | (E) A PERSON MAY NOT SELL OR OFFER FOR SALE IN THE STATE, BY |
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| 2 | ANY MEANS, INCLUDING TRANSACTIONS CONDUCTED THROUGH A SALES |
| 3 | OUTLET, A CATALOG, OR THE INTERNET, A CHILDREN'S PRODUCT FOR WHICH |
| 4 | THERE IS NO CERTIFICATE ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A) OF |
| 5 | THIS SECTION. |
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| 6 | (F) A CERTIFICATE ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A) OF |

- 6 (F) A CERTIFICATE ISSUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE:
- 8 (1) BASED ON A TEST OF EACH CHILDREN'S PRODUCT OR ON A
 9 TESTING PROTOCOL THAT IS ESTABLISHED OR RECOGNIZED BY THE
 10 DEPARTMENT; AND
- 11 (2) ON A FORM CREATED OR APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- 12 **22-605. 6-1305.**
- 13 (A) If the Department determines that a person has violated \$\frac{22-603}{6}\$ 6-1303 of this subtitle, the Department shall*
- 15 (1) ISSUE A HEALTH ADVISORY NOTICE TO LOCAL HEALTH
 16 OFFICERS; AND
- 17 (2) GIVE GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE PERSON DETERMINED TO
 18 HAVE VIOLATED § 22–603 6–1303 OF THIS SUBTITLE THAT IDENTIFIES THE
 19 CHILDREN'S PRODUCT THAT IS A LEAD-CONTAINING PRODUCT OR THE
 20 LEAD-ADULTERATED-CONSUMABLE PRODUCT AND THE ASSOCIATED HEALTH
 21 HAZARD.
- 22 (B) WITHIN 15 DAYS AFTER RECEIVING THE WRITTEN NOTICE 23 REQUIRED UNDER SUBSECTION (A)(2) (A) OF THIS SECTION, THE PERSON SHALL 24 SEND TO THE DEPARTMENT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
- 25 (1) A LIST OF ALL <u>CHILDREN'S</u> PRODUCTS OF THE SAME STYLE
 26 PRODUCED BY THE SAME MANUFACTURER AS THE SAMPLE OBTAINED BY THE
 27 AGENT OF THE DEPARTMENT UNDER § 22–604 OF THIS SUBTITLE;
- 28 **(2)** THE NAME OF THE MANUFACTURER OR SELLER FROM WHOM 29 THE PERSON **OBTAINED** THE CHILDREN'S **PRODUCT THAT** IS 30 LEAD-CONTAINING PRODUCT OR THE LEAD-ADULTERATED CONSUMABLE 31 PRODUCT; AND
- 32 (3) THE NAME OF EACH PERSON DISTRIBUTOR OR RETAILER TO 33 WHOM THE PERSON TRANSFERRED THE CHILDREN'S PRODUCT THAT IS A

- 1 LEAD-CONTAINING PRODUCT OR THE LEAD-ADULTERATED CONSUMABLE
- 2 PRODUCT OF THE SAME STYLE PRODUCED BY THE SAME MANUFACTURER.
- 3 **22-606. 6-1306.**
- 4 WITHIN 24 HOURS AFTER A PERSON DETERMINES THAT THE PERSON HAS
- 5 MANUFACTURED, SOLD, OFFERED FOR SALE, IMPORTED, OR DISTRIBUTED A
- 6 CHILDREN'S PRODUCT IN VIOLATION OF § 22-603 6-1303 OF THIS SUBTITLE,
- 7 THE PERSON SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE DEPARTMENT IN A FORM
- 8 REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT.
- 9 **22-607. 6-1307.**
- 10 (A) (1) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SUBTITLE IS SUBJECT TO A
- 11 CIVIL PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 PER DAY FOR EACH VIOLATION.
- 12 (2) THE CIVIL PENALTY UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS
- 13 SUBSECTION MAY BE ASSESSED AND RECOVERED IN ANY COURT OF COMPETENT
- 14 JURISDICTION.
- 15 (B) A PERSON WHO WILLFULLY VIOLATES ANY PROVISION OF THIS
- 16 SUBTITLE IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO A
- 17 FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 \$10,000 FOR EACH VIOLATION OR IMPRISONMENT
- 18 NOT EXCEEDING 1 YEAR OR BOTH.
- 19 **6–1308.**
- 20 (A) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER PENALTY PROVIDED BY LAW, THE
- 21 COMPTROLLER MAY ASSESS AGAINST A PERSON WHO VIOLATES § 6-1304(E) OF
- 22 THIS SUBTITLE A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$1,000 FOR EACH VIOLATION, UP TO A
- 23 **MAXIMUM OF \$50,000.**
- 24 (B) A FINE ASSESSED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION MAY
- NOT BE ASSESSED UNTIL THE PERSON WHO COMMITTED THE VIOLATION HAS
- 26 BEEN ISSUED THREE WARNINGS REGARDING THE VIOLATION.
- 27 (C) EACH DAY ON WHICH A VIOLATION OCCURS OR CONTINUES IS A
- 28 SEPARATE VIOLATION UNDER THIS SECTION.
- 29 (D) AT THE END OF EACH QUARTER, THE COMPTROLLER SHALL
- 30 DISTRIBUTE ALL FINES ASSESSED UNDER THIS SECTION TO THE LEAD
- 31 POISONING PREVENTION FUND IN A MANNER DETERMINED BY THE
- 32 DEPARTMENT AND THE COMPTROLLER.
- 33 **6–1309.**

| $\frac{1}{2}$ | IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER PENALTY PROVIDED BY LAW, A VIOLATION OF THIS SUBTITLE IS: |
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| $\frac{3}{4}$ | (1) AN UNFAIR OR DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICE WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 13 OF THE COMMERCIAL LAW ARTICLE; AND |
| 5 6 | (2) SUBJECT TO THE ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTY PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN TITLE 13 OF THE COMMERCIAL LAW ARTICLE. |
| 7 | 22-608. <u>6-1310.</u> |
| 8 9 10 | (A) THE SECRETARY MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS THAT SET THE AMOUNT OF LEAD THAT MAY BE CONTAINED IN A LEAD-CONTAINING PRODUCT AND A LEAD-ADULTERATED CONSUMABLE PRODUCT. |
| 11 | (B) ANY REGULATION ADOPTED UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS |
| 12 | SECTION SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH APPLICABLE GUIDELINES PUBLISHED BY |
| 13 | THE FEDERAL FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION TO CARRY OUT THE |
| 14 | PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE. |
| 15 | 22-609. <u>6-1311.</u> |
| 16 | THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE DO NOT AFFECT THE AUTHORITY OF |
| 17 | A LOCAL AGENCY TO ENFORCE A LOCAL LAW GOVERNING THE AMOUNT OF LEAD |
| 18 | CONTAINED IN A PRODUCT IF THE LOCAL LAW IS AT LEAST AS RESTRICTIVE AS |
| 19 | THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE. |
| 20 21 | SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety |
| 22 | has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members |
| 23 | elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from |
| 24 | the date it is enacted shall take effect July 1, 2008. |
| | Approved: |
| | Governor. |
| | Speaker of the House of Delegates. |

President of the Senate.