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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to toxic chemicals in cosmetic products; creating s. 499.0095, F.S.; defining terms; prohibiting, beginning on a specified date, the manufacture, sale, offer or distribution for sale, or distribution for use of cosmetics that contain specified added chemical ingredients; providing an exception; requiring the Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR), in consultation with the Department of Health, to make certain determinations and make the information publicly available on its website by a specified date; providing construction; providing for disciplinary action; providing applicability; requiring DBPR to adopt rules; requiring DBPR to adopt specified rules; specifying requirements for the adoption of such rules; providing an effective date.

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WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that certain chemicals used in cosmetic products are linked to harmful impacts on health, such as cancer, birth defects, damage to the reproductive system, organ system toxicity, and endocrine disruption, and

WHEREAS, the previous federal administration substantially ignored its duties under federal law to protect citizens from the harm caused by toxic and unsafe chemicals in cosmetic products, and

WHEREAS, President Trump, in his executive order establishing the President's Make America Healthy Again Commission, warned of a growing health crisis in America and

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created the commission to make America healthy again by helping drastically lower chronic disease rates and end childhood chronic diseases, and

WHEREAS, to ensure the safety of cosmetic products and protect residents of this state from toxic exposures, the Legislature intends to prohibit the use of toxic chemicals found in cosmetic and personal care products and join President Trump and other jurisdictions in creating a safer global standard for cosmetic products and bringing more sustainable, safer ingredients to the marketplace, NOW, THEREFORE,

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Section 499.0095, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

499.0095 Toxic chemicals in cosmetics prohibited.—

- (1) As used in this section, the term:
- (a) "Ortho-phthalates" means esters of ortho-phthalic acid.
- (b) "Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances" or "PFAS" means a class of fluorinated organic chemicals containing at least one fully fluorinated carbon atom.
- (c) "Small business" means a business employing fewer than 50 people.
- (2) Except as provided in subsection (4), beginning July 1, 2026, cosmetics manufactured, sold, offered or distributed for sale, or distributed for use in this state may not contain any of the following intentionally added chemicals or chemical classes:
 - (a) Ortho-phthalates.

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(b) PFAS.

- (c) Formaldehyde or any other chemical determined by the department to release formaldehyde.
 - (d) Methylene glycol.
 - (e) Mercury or mercury compounds.
 - (f) Triclosan.
 - (g) M-phenylenediamine or its salt derivatives.
 - (h) O-phenylenediamine or its salt derivatives.
- (3) Except as provided in subsection (4), beginning July 1, 2026, cosmetics manufactured, sold, offered or distributed for sale, or distributed for use in this state may not contain any lead or lead compounds, whether intentionally added, at one part per million or above, or as otherwise determined by department rule.
- (4) An in-state retailer in possession of cosmetics on the date that restrictions on the sale of the products take effect under this section may exhaust its existing stock through sales to the public until July 1, 2027.
- (5) By January 1, 2026, the department, in consultation with the Department of Health, shall use existing information to identify and assess the hazards of chemicals or chemical classes that can provide the same or similar function in cosmetics as the chemicals or chemical classes listed in subsection (2). The department shall make the information publicly available on its website.
- (6) The chemicals in subsection (2) are prohibited in cosmetics regardless of whether the product also contains drug ingredients regulated by the United States Food and Drug Administration.

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(7) A violation of this section is grounds for disciplinary action under s. 499.066.

- (8) This section does not apply to ingredients regulated as drugs by the United States Food and Drug Administration.
- (9) The department shall adopt rules necessary to implement this section.
- (a) The department's determinations of chemicals that release formaldehyde must be adopted by rule. The department shall identify a list of chemicals used in cosmetics that release formaldehyde which are subject to restriction under this chapter. In establishing this list, the department shall consider the following:
 - 1. Estimated prevalence of use.
 - 2. Potential to reduce disproportionate exposure.
 - 3. Other information deemed relevant by the department.
- (b) The department may identify for restriction an initial set of no more than 10 of the listed chemicals used in cosmetics that release formaldehyde. This restriction must take effect on or after July 1, 2026.
- (c) Restrictions on any remaining listed chemicals used in cosmetics that release formaldehyde may take effect on or after July 1, 2027.
- (d) In adopting rules under this section, the department shall engage with relevant stakeholders for their expertise and input. The stakeholder process must include, but is not limited to, soliciting input from representatives from independent cosmetologists, small businesses offering cosmetology services, such as beauty salons, and small manufacturers of cosmetics. The input received from stakeholders must be considered when

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