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## Legislative bill seeking to suspend the marketing of baby's bottles produced with bisphenol A.

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### Message

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#### 4. Notification Number

2010/0355/F - C70A

#### 5. Title

Legislative bill seeking to suspend the marketing of baby's bottles produced with bisphenol A.

#### 6. Products Concerned

Baby's bottles produced with bisphenol A

#### 7. Notification Under Another Act

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#### 8. Main Content

The bill would suspend the manufacture, import, export and distribution either free of charge or in return for payment of baby's bottles made from bisphenol A pending the adoption by the French Food Products Safety Agency of a reasoned opinion again authorising these operations.

In the two months following the publication by the National Institute of Health and Medical Research of its collective expertise on endocrine disruptors and, at the latest on 1 January 2011, a report presenting the measures already taken and those envisaged for decreasing human exposure to these products is to be presented by the Government to Parliament.

Keywords: baby's bottle, bisphenol, manufacture, import, endocrine disruptor

#### 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

Bisphenol A is a chemical product used in the manufacture of plastic baby's bottles. Bisphenol A has been the subject of numerous studies. The most recent studies do not allow a formal interpretation.

Nonetheless, given in-utero and postnatal exposure to doses lower than the TDD (tolerable daily dose) these studies report alarm signals the health consequences of which have not been clearly established.

NGOs, health professionals and scientists have drawn the attention of public agencies to the oestrogenic activity of BPA and have called for the prohibition of this substance in materials coming into contact with foodstuffs as a precautionary measure, and particularly in bottles intended for young children.

#### 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

References: There exist substitutes for polycarbonate obtained from BPA:

- Polyethersulfone made with bisphenol S
- Polypropylene.

These two substitutes should fulfil the requirements of Directive 2002/72/EC relating to plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with foodstuffs, implementing Regulation (EC) No. 1935/2004 of the European Parliament and Council of 27 October 2004.

#### 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No



**12. Grounds for the Emergency**

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**13. Confidentiality**

No

**14. Fiscal measures**

No

**15. Impact assessment**

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**16. TBT and SPS aspects**

OTC aspect

No; the draft is neither a technical regulation nor an evaluation of conformity

SPS aspect

No; the draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure.

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