



ANB – ANS
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Resolution #15-03

Title: Encourage legislation to protect our children from risky toxic chemicals by limiting flame retardants in items and furniture.

WHEREAS, we have a duty to protect the health of future generations; and

WHEREAS, certain toxic flame retardants are released into the air of our homes from treated foam in furniture and children's items; and

WHEREAS, scientific study ^{has shown} that these chemicals do not avoid fire damage, but are dangerous to firefighters; and

WHEREAS, the Chicago Tribune won a Pulitzer award for Investigative Reporting in 2008 for the articles called "Playing With Fire" which explained the dangers of these flame retardants; and

WHEREAS, our state legislature could restrict the sale and distribution of products with certain toxic and unnecessary flame retardant chemicals and require that products would contain less than 100 parts per million of tris(1,3-dichloro-2-propyl)phosphate (TDCPP), tris(2-chloroethyl)phosphate (TCEP), tetrabromobisphenol A (TBBPA), decabromodiphenyl ether, antimony, hexabromocyclododecane, bis(2-ethylhexyl)-3,4,5,6-tetrabromophthalate (TBPH), 2-ethylhexyl-2,3,4,5-tetrabromobenzoate (TBB), chlorinated paraffins, or tris(1-chloro-2-propyl)phosphate (TCPP); and

WHEREAS, ^{AB 199 # Senate Bill} bills to prohibit the sale of such products have been introduced in the Alaska Senate and House;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that ANS Camp 2 and the ANB & ANS Camp 70, assembled in a joint meeting in September 2015, request the Grand Camp urge our legislators in the upcoming legislative session to pass a law that requires products contain less than 100 parts per million of the above named toxic flame retardants in furniture and children's products.

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