



SUPPORT

A. 8266/S. 1454-A (Englebright/Avella)

Child Safe Products Act

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to regulation of toxic chemicals in children's products

The New York League of Conservation Voters supports A. 8266/S.1454-A (Englebright/Avella), which would require the disclosure of certain toxic chemicals in children's products and would ban chemicals that pose the highest risk to children's health.

Many children's products, including toys, car seats, and apparel, among others, contain chemicals that are linked to cancer, developmental delays, cognitive impairments, illness, and other health problems. These products can be present in the home, child care facilities, and school, and repeated exposure over time can increase risk. Currently, these chemicals are regulated on a case-by-case basis, which is inadequate to the scope of the problem.

A. 8266/S. 1454-A would create a list of chemicals of concern and dangerous chemicals, require manufacturers of children's products to disclose if they use any of these chemicals in their products, and, beginning in 2020, ban the sale of any new children's products containing dangerous chemicals. The bill would also create a regulatory framework for new chemicals to be added to the list of dangerous chemicals as new scientific and medical research emerges. The Child Safe Products Act is a common sense approach to protecting children from exposure to toxic chemicals.

For these reasons, the New York League of Conservation Voters strongly urges passage of A. 8266/S. 1454-A.

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