



California Governor Vetoes Three PFAS Related Bills

On October 8, 2023, California Governor Newsom vetoed several bills including three related to per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in consumer products. These bills would have regulated intentionally added PFAS in menstrual products, cleaning product and floor sealers, and artificial turf.

The California Governor vetoed three PFAS related bills with the same reasons for their rejection. All three bills would be banned intentionally added PFAS in specific product types.

The vetoed bills are:

- AB246, Product safety: menstrual products: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances
- AB727, Product safety: cleaning products and floor sealers or floor finishes: perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances
- AB1423, Product safety: PFAS: artificial turf or synthetic surfaces

The Governor indicated that he supports the bills' intentions to address safety concerns related to PFAS presence in consumer products. However, he feels the bills do not provide adequate protection to California consumers since no regulatory oversight to address compliance or enforcement has been included. He notes that this has been a challenge with other PFAS related legislation that he signed into laws previously and directs the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to work with the bills' authors and the legislature to come up with a solution.

Links to California Press Release outlining the vetoes and Governor's veto messages:

<https://www.gov.ca.gov/2023/10/08/governor-newsom-issues-legislative-update-10-8-23-2/>
<https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/AB-727-VETO.pdf>
<https://www.gov.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/AB-246-VETO.pdf>

Keep an eye out for additional updates.

If you have any questions, please contact your customer service representative or email: info@us.bureauveritas.com

Bureau Veritas Consumer Products Services, Inc. ("BVCPS") provides the information in this client bulletin as a resource of general information. It does not replace any applicable legal or regulatory requirements and is provided "as is." BVCPS will not be liable for any indirect, special, punitive, consequential or other damages (including without limitation lost profits) of any kind in connection with this client bulletin. BVCPS DISCLAIMS ALL REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, IN CONNECTION WITH THIS CLIENT BULLETIN.