

**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2197**

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**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

PRESENTED BY:

***Kate Hogan and Julian Cyr***

*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

**An Act to protect Massachusetts public health from PFAS.**

PETITION OF:

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<i>Adam Scanlon</i>	<i>14th Bristol</i>	<i>1/24/2023</i>
<i>Rodney M. Elliott</i>	<i>16th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/24/2023</i>
<i>Lindsay N. Sabadosa</i>	<i>1st Hampshire</i>	<i>1/24/2023</i>
<i>Christopher Hendricks</i>	<i>11th Bristol</i>	<i>1/24/2023</i>
<i>Sarah K. Peake</i>	<i>4th Barnstable</i>	<i>1/24/2023</i>
<i>Patricia A. Duffy</i>	<i>5th Hampden</i>	<i>1/24/2023</i>
<i>Tram T. Nguyen</i>	<i>18th Essex</i>	<i>1/24/2023</i>
<i>Brian W. Murray</i>	<i>10th Worcester</i>	<i>1/25/2023</i>
<i>Angelo J. Puppolo, Jr.</i>	<i>12th Hampden</i>	<i>1/25/2023</i>
<i>Aaron L. Saunders</i>	<i>7th Hampden</i>	<i>1/25/2023</i>

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<i>Adrienne Pusateri Ramos</i>	<i>14th Essex</i>	<i>1/25/2023</i>
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<i>Paul J. Donato</i>	<i>35th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/25/2023</i>
<i>David Paul Linsky</i>	<i>5th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/26/2023</i>
<i>Josh S. Cutler</i>	<i>6th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/26/2023</i>
<i>Jessica Ann Giannino</i>	<i>16th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/27/2023</i>
<i>James K. Hawkins</i>	<i>2nd Bristol</i>	<i>1/27/2023</i>
<i>Sean Garballey</i>	<i>23rd Middlesex</i>	<i>1/27/2023</i>
<i>Carmine Lawrence Gentile</i>	<i>13th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/28/2023</i>
<i>Angelo L. D'Emilia</i>	<i>8th Plymouth</i>	<i>1/30/2023</i>
<i>Kevin G. Honan</i>	<i>17th Suffolk</i>	<i>1/30/2023</i>
<i>Ruth B. Balsler</i>	<i>12th Middlesex</i>	<i>1/31/2023</i>
<i>Ann-Margaret Ferrante</i>	<i>5th Essex</i>	<i>1/31/2023</i>
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<i>David M. Rogers</i>	<i>24th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/3/2023</i>
<i>Adrian C. Madaro</i>	<i>1st Suffolk</i>	<i>2/3/2023</i>
<i>Samantha Montaña</i>	<i>15th Suffolk</i>	<i>2/3/2023</i>
<i>Sally P. Kerans</i>	<i>13th Essex</i>	<i>2/4/2023</i>
<i>Joseph D. McKenna</i>	<i>18th Worcester</i>	<i>2/6/2023</i>
<i>Mary S. Keefe</i>	<i>15th Worcester</i>	<i>2/6/2023</i>
<i>Michelle M. DuBois</i>	<i>10th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/7/2023</i>
<i>Andres X. Vargas</i>	<i>3rd Essex</i>	<i>2/8/2023</i>
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<i>David Allen Robertson</i>	<i>19th Middlesex</i>	<i>2/8/2023</i>
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<i>Margaret R. Scarsdale</i>	<i>1st Middlesex</i>	<i>2/9/2023</i>
<i>Edward R. Philips</i>	<i>8th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/9/2023</i>
<i>James B. Eldridge</i>	<i>Middlesex and Worcester</i>	<i>2/10/2023</i>
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<i>Joanne M. Comerford</i>	<i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i>	<i>2/13/2023</i>
<i>Kelly W. Pease</i>	<i>4th Hampden</i>	<i>2/15/2023</i>
<i>James Arciero</i>	<i>2nd Middlesex</i>	<i>2/15/2023</i>
<i>Paul McMurtry</i>	<i>11th Norfolk</i>	<i>2/15/2023</i>
<i>Patrick Joseph Kearney</i>	<i>4th Plymouth</i>	<i>2/16/2023</i>
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<i>Natalie M. Higgins</i>	<i>4th Worcester</i>	<i>2/22/2023</i>
<i>Christopher Richard Flanagan</i>	<i>1st Barnstable</i>	<i>2/23/2023</i>
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<i>Jennifer Balinsky Armini</i>	<i>8th Essex</i>	<i>2/28/2023</i>
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<i>Paul R. Feeney</i>	<i>Bristol and Norfolk</i>	<i>3/5/2023</i>
<i>Dylan A. Fernandes</i>	<i>Barnstable, Dukes and Nantucket</i>	<i>3/6/2023</i>
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<i>Marcus S. Vaughn</i>	<i>9th Norfolk</i>	<i>3/7/2023</i>
<i>John F. Keenan</i>	<i>Norfolk and Plymouth</i>	<i>3/9/2023</i>
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<i>Carol A. Doherty</i>	<i>3rd Bristol</i>	<i>3/13/2023</i>
<i>Hannah Kane</i>	<i>11th Worcester</i>	<i>3/15/2023</i>
<i>Tommy Vitolo</i>	<i>15th Norfolk</i>	<i>3/15/2023</i>
<i>Carlos González</i>	<i>10th Hampden</i>	<i>3/17/2023</i>
<i>Alice Hanlon Peisch</i>	<i>14th Norfolk</i>	<i>3/22/2023</i>
<i>Jeffrey Rosario Turco</i>	<i>19th Suffolk</i>	<i>3/22/2023</i>
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<i>Natalie M. Blais</i>	<i>1st Franklin</i>	<i>3/26/2023</i>
<i>Steven George Xiarhos</i>	<i>5th Barnstable</i>	<i>5/15/2023</i>
<i>Kathleen R. LaNatra</i>	<i>12th Plymouth</i>	<i>6/12/2023</i>
<i>Mike Connolly</i>	<i>26th Middlesex</i>	<i>6/14/2023</i>
<i>F. Jay Barrows</i>	<i>1st Bristol</i>	<i>6/14/2023</i>
<i>David T. Vieira</i>	<i>3rd Barnstable</i>	<i>6/15/2023</i>
<i>Susannah M. Whipps</i>	<i>2nd Franklin</i>	<i>6/15/2023</i>
<i>Susan Williams Gifford</i>	<i>2nd Plymouth</i>	<i>6/20/2023</i>
<i>Richard M. Haggerty</i>	<i>30th Middlesex</i>	<i>6/20/2023</i>
<i>Kristin E. Kassner</i>	<i>2nd Essex</i>	<i>6/21/2023</i>
<i>Christopher M. Markey</i>	<i>9th Bristol</i>	<i>6/26/2023</i>
<i>Kate Donaghue</i>	<i>19th Worcester</i>	<i>7/5/2023</i>
<i>Peter Capano</i>	<i>11th Essex</i>	<i>7/18/2023</i>
<i>Michael D. Brady</i>	<i>Second Plymouth and Norfolk</i>	<i>7/24/2023</i>
<i>Michelle L. Ciccolo</i>	<i>15th Middlesex</i>	<i>9/12/2023</i>
<i>Steven S. Howitt</i>	<i>4th Bristol</i>	<i>10/24/2023</i>
<i>Marc R. Pacheco</i>	<i>Third Bristol and Plymouth</i>	<i>11/6/2023</i>
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**HOUSE . . . . . No. 2197**

By Representative Hogan of Stow and Senator Cyr, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 2197) of Kate Hogan, Julian Cyr and others for legislation to protect public health from PFAS. Public Health.

**The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Third General Court  
(2023-2024)**

An Act to protect Massachusetts public health from PFAS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 10 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
2 section 35SSS the following section:-

3 Section 35TTT. (a) As used in this section, the following words, unless the context  
4 clearly requires otherwise, shall have the following meanings:-

5 “Board of health”, any body politic or political subdivision of the commonwealth that  
6 acts as a board of health, public health commission or a health department for a municipality,  
7 region or district, including, but not limited to, municipal boards of health, regional health  
8 districts established pursuant to G.L. c. 111, § 27B and boards of health that share services  
9 pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 4A.

10 “Office”, executive office of energy and environmental affairs.

11 “Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances” or “PFAS”, as defined in 310 CMR 22.07G.

12 “Regional system”, any system established by mutual agreement of 2 or more  
13 municipalities or by a county in which all municipalities of said county have an agreement to  
14 provide drinking water or wastewater services, or both, through shared facilities, sources or  
15 distribution networks.

16 “Secretary”, secretary of energy and environmental affairs.

17 (b) (1) There shall be a PFAS Remediation Trust Fund. Expenditures from the fund shall  
18 be made by the executive office of energy and environmental affairs, without further  
19 appropriation and consistent with the terms of settlements made in connection with claims  
20 arising from the manufacture, marketing or sale of PFAS-containing aqueous film-forming foam,  
21 as applicable. The secretary of energy and environmental affairs shall administer the fund.

22 (2) The fund shall be expended to mitigate the impacts of PFAS contamination in  
23 drinking water, groundwater, and soil in the commonwealth, including, but not limited to,  
24 assisting municipalities, private well owners, and public water systems with the cost of PFAS  
25 remediation projects. Amounts credited to the fund shall not be subject to further appropriation  
26 and monies remaining in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall not revert to the General  
27 Fund, but shall instead be available for expenditure during the next fiscal year. Any fiscal year-  
28 end balance in the fund shall be excluded from the calculation of the consolidated net surplus  
29 pursuant to G.L. c. 29, § 5C.

30 (3) There shall be credited to the fund: (i) amounts recovered by the commonwealth and  
31 credited thereto in connection with claims arising from the manufacture, marketing or sale of  
32 PFAS-containing aqueous film-forming foam; (ii) transfers from other funds authorized by the  
33 general court and so designated; (iii) funds from public or private sources, including, but not

34 limited to, gifts, grants, donations, rebates and settlements received by the commonwealth  
35 designated to the fund; and (iv) any interest earned on such amounts.

36 (c) The secretary shall award and administer grants from the fund, without further  
37 appropriation, for the purpose of addressing exceedances of state cleanup standards for PFAS in  
38 drinking water, groundwater and soil to: (i) municipalities for municipal use, including, but not  
39 limited to, establishing connections to regional systems and funds necessary to address the  
40 reasonable administrative costs of the municipality; (ii) boards of health for use in assisting  
41 private well users; (iii) community water systems for use on an existing system or to expand a  
42 system to assist additional water users; and (iv) non-transient non-community water systems.

43 (d) The office shall adopt rules, and include conditions in grant documents, to ensure that  
44 the applicant has made and will make reasonable efforts to obtain and use funds from any liable  
45 or potentially liable third party, excluding public sector fire departments for the use of Class B  
46 firefighting foam in emergency responses, prior to and after receiving a grant. In addition, the  
47 office shall adopt rules establishing criteria to ensure that an applicant shall not be eligible for  
48 grants for any project or portion of a project to the extent the negligence of the applicant caused  
49 the contamination that resulted in the exceedance of state cleanup standards for PFAS in drinking  
50 water, groundwater and soil.

51 (e) If the office provides a grant related to costs for a project for which a third party might  
52 otherwise be liable, the right to recover payment from such third party, excluding public sector  
53 fire departments for the use of Class B firefighting foam in emergency responses, shall be  
54 subrogated to the office to the extent of such forgiveness or grant. Any money recovered by the  
55 office from such third parties shall be deposited in the PFAS Remediation Trust Fund.

56 (f)(1) The office may collaborate with the department of public health to provide funding  
57 for boards of health to establish a program of rebates to private well users. Eligible spending for  
58 rebate shall include, but not be limited to, sampling of private well water for PFAS regulated by  
59 the department of environmental protection under 310 CMR 22.00 and purchase of point-of-  
60 entry or point-of-use treatment systems to remove PFAS from drinking water.

61 (2) Boards of health may opt in to receive funding from the office pursuant to paragraph  
62 (1), and may apply for and receive funds from the office necessary to cover reasonable  
63 administrative costs related to implementation of said paragraph (1). Boards of health that opt in  
64 shall amend their codes to require private well water quality testing for PFAS for property sales  
65 and new construction.

66 (3) Annually, not later than August 31, boards of health that opt in under paragraph (2)  
67 shall submit a report to the office including information demonstrating compliance during the  
68 preceding fiscal year with said paragraph (2).

69 (g) Annually, not later than October 1, the secretary shall file a report on the activity,  
70 revenue and expenditures to and from the fund in the prior fiscal year with the clerks of the  
71 house of representatives and the senate and the house and senate committees on ways and means,  
72 and shall make the report available on the office's website. The report shall include, but not be  
73 limited to: (i) revenue credited to the fund; (ii) the amount of expenditure attributable to the  
74 administrative costs of the office; (iii) an itemized list of the funds expended from the fund; and  
75 (iv) data and an assessment of how well resources have been directed to environmental justice  
76 communities.

77 SECTION 2. Chapter 21 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
78 section 43A the following section:-

79 Section 43B. (a) The department of environmental protection shall amend its  
80 groundwater discharge permits with requirements for quarterly monitoring and reporting of per-  
81 and polyfluoroalkyl substances, commonly referred to as “PFAS”.

82 (b) The department shall amend its surface water discharge permits and groundwater  
83 discharge permits issued to industrial permittees with requirements to implement best  
84 management practices for discharges of PFAS, including, but not limited to: (i) product  
85 elimination or substitution when a reasonable alternative to using PFAS is available in the  
86 industrial process; (ii) accidental discharge minimization; and (iii) equipment decontamination or  
87 replacement where PFAS products have historically been used.

88 (c) The department shall propose rules and regulations pursuant to G.L. c. 21, § 27 for  
89 effluent limitations and pre-treatment requirements for PFAS in groundwater discharge.

90 SECTION 3. Chapter 21A of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
91 section 28 the following section:-

92 Section 29. (a) The office, in collaboration with the executive office of health and human  
93 services, shall develop and implement a multilingual outreach program to promote the education  
94 of environmental justice populations impacted by per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances,  
95 commonly referred to as “PFAS”, contamination. This program shall include the development  
96 and distribution of educational materials, the content of which shall include, but not be limited  
97 to: (i) the health effects of PFAS exposure; (ii) the routes of PFAS exposure; (iii) a list of  
98 facilities required to prepare a toxics use reduction plan for PFAS within 10 miles of the



99 environmental justice community; (iv) citizen involvement pursuant to G.L. c. 21I, § 18; and (v)  
100 state assistance programs for PFAS remediation.

101 (b) The educational materials shall be translated into the primary languages of impacted  
102 environmental justice populations. Such educational materials shall be made available to, but not  
103 be limited to: (i) community centers; (ii) health care centers; and (iii) schools.

104 (c) The office may contract or associate with public and private agencies and  
105 organizations for the preparation of said educational materials on PFAS exposure, other pertinent  
106 resource information on the matter of PFAS contamination and conducting educational  
107 programs.

108 SECTION 4. Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
109 section 5S the following sections:-

110 Section 5T. (a) As used in this section, the following words shall, unless the context  
111 clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:-

112 "Food package", a package or packaging component that is intended for the marketing,  
113 protection or handling of a product intended for food contact or used to store food and foodstuffs  
114 for sale.

115 "Manufacturer", a person, firm, association, partnership, government entity, organization,  
116 joint venture or corporation that applies a package to a product for distribution or sale.

117 "Package", a container providing a means of marketing, protecting or handling a product  
118 which shall include a unit package, an intermediate package, a package used for shipping or

119 transport and unsealed receptacles such as carrying cases, crates, cups, pails, rigid foil and other  
120 trays, wrappers and wrapping films, bags and tubs.

121 "Packaging component", an individual assembled part of a package including, but not  
122 limited to, any interior or exterior blocking, bracing, cushioning, weatherproofing, exterior  
123 strapping, coatings, closures, inks and labels.

124 "Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances" or "PFAS", a class of fluorinated substances that  
125 contain at least one fully fluorinated methyl or methylene carbon atom.

126 (b) No manufacturer shall sell, offer for sale, distribute for sale, or distribute for use in  
127 the commonwealth food packaging to which PFAS have been intentionally added in any amount.

128 Section 5U. (a) As used in this section, the following words shall, unless the context  
129 clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:-

130 "Child passenger restraint", a child passenger restraint under G.L. c. 90, § 7AA.

131 "Children's products", a consumer product, including its product components, intended,  
132 made or marketed for use by children 12 years of age or under, not including medical devices.

133 "Consumer product," any article that, to any significant extent, is distributed in  
134 commerce for personal use or consumption by individuals.

135 "Cookware", durable houseware items that are used in homes and restaurants to prepare,  
136 dispense, or store food, foodstuffs or beverages, including, but not limited to, pots, pans, skillets,  
137 grills, baking sheets, baking molds, trays, bowls and cooking utensils.

138 “Current unavoidable use”, a use of PFAS that the department has determined under this  
139 section to be essential for health, safety or the functioning of society and for which alternatives  
140 are not reasonably available.

141 “Distributor”, any person, firm or corporation who takes title to goods, produced either  
142 domestically or in a foreign country, purchased for resale or promotional purposes.

143 “Fabric treatment”, a substance applied to fabric, carpets, rugs, shoes or textiles to impart  
144 characteristics, including, but not limited to, stain resistance or water resistance.

145 “Intentionally added”, the addition of a chemical to a final product or product component  
146 for the purpose of providing a specific characteristic, appearance or quality or to perform a  
147 specific function in the product or product component, including PFAS that are intentional  
148 chemical breakdown products or derivatives of an added chemical that also have a specific  
149 function in the product or product component.

150 “Manufacturer”, any person, firm or corporation that manufactures a product whose  
151 brand name is affixed to the product. In the case of a product imported into the United States,  
152 “manufacturer” includes the importer or first domestic distributor of the product if the person  
153 that manufactured or assembled or whose brand name is affixed to the product does not have a  
154 presence in the United States.

155 “Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances” or “PFAS”, a class of fluorinated substances that  
156 contain at least one fully fluorinated methyl or methylene carbon atom.

157 “Personal care products”, articles intended to be rubbed, poured, sprinkled, or sprayed on,  
158 introduced into or otherwise applied to the human body for cleansing, beautifying, promoting

159 attractiveness or altering the appearance. Personal care products shall include products such as  
160 skin moisturizers, perfumes, lipsticks, fingernail polishes, eye and facial makeup preparations,  
161 shampoos, permanent waves, hair colors, toothpastes, sunscreen, hair spray, shaving cream and  
162 deodorants, as well as any material intended for use as a component of a cosmetic product.  
163 Personal care products shall also include disposable menstrual products such as sanitary napkins,  
164 tampons and underwear liners.

165 “Product component”, a component of a product, including the product’s ingredients or a  
166 part of the product, regardless of whether the manufacturer of the product is the manufacturer of  
167 the component.

168 “Product label”, a display of written, printed or graphic material that appears on, or is  
169 affixed to, the exterior of a product, or its exterior container or wrapper that is visible to a  
170 consumer, if the product has an exterior container or wrapper.

171 “Retailer”, any person, firm or corporation to whom a consumer product is delivered or  
172 sold, if such delivery or sale is for purposes of sale or distribution in commerce to purchasers  
173 who buy such product for purposes other than resale.

174 “Rugs and carpets”, fabric used to or marketed to cover floors.

175 “Upholstered furniture”, as defined in G.L. c. 94, § 270.

176 “Wholesaler,” any person, firm or corporation to whom a consumer product is delivered  
177 or sold, if such delivery or sale is for purposes of sale or distribution in commerce to purchasers  
178 who buy such product for purposes of resale.

179 (b) (1) No manufacturer, distributor, wholesaler or retailer shall offer for sale, sell or  
180 distribute in the commonwealth any of the following products or product categories to which  
181 PFAS have been intentionally added: (i) child passenger restraints; (ii) cookware; (iii) fabric  
182 treatments; (iv) personal care products; (v) rugs and carpets; (vi) upholstered furniture; and (vii)  
183 children's products.

184 (2) The prohibitions of this subsection shall not apply to the sale or resale of used  
185 products.

186 (3) Products or product categories in which the use of PFAS is a currently unavoidable  
187 use, as determined by the department, may be exempted by the department at intervals of no  
188 more than 3 years.

189 (c) (1) No manufacturer, distributor, wholesaler or retailer shall offer for sale, sell or  
190 distribute in the commonwealth any products to which PFAS have been intentionally added,  
191 unless the department has determined that the use of PFAS in the product is a currently  
192 unavoidable use and grants a temporary exemption at intervals of no more than 3 years.

193 (2) The prohibitions of this subsection shall not apply to the sale or resale of used  
194 products.

195 (d) The department shall adopt regulations to implement this section.

196 (e) The attorney general shall have the authority to enforce the provisions of this section  
197 pursuant to G.L. c. 93A, § 4.

198 (f) (1) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the department of  
199 public health shall establish, on or before June 1, 2025, a publicly accessible reporting platform

200 to collect information about per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, or “PFAS”, and products or  
201 product components containing PFAS being sold, offered for sale, distributed or offered for  
202 promotional purposes in, or imported into, the state. The department may consult with Interstate  
203 Chemicals Clearinghouse to establish such a platform.

204 (2) On or before June 1, 2026, and on or before June 1 of each year thereafter, a  
205 manufacturer of PFAS or a product or product component containing intentionally added PFAS  
206 that is sold, offered for sale, distributed or offered for promotional purposes in, or imported into,  
207 the state shall register the PFAS or the product or product component containing intentionally  
208 added PFAS on the publicly accessible reporting platform created pursuant to paragraph (1),  
209 along with all of the following information, as applicable: (i) the name and type of product or  
210 product component containing intentionally added PFAS; (ii) the universal product code, or  
211 “UPC,” of the product or product component containing intentionally added PFAS; (iii) how the  
212 PFAS are, or the product or product component containing intentionally added PFAS are, used  
213 by businesses or consumers; (iv) the specific names of all PFAS compounds in the product or  
214 product component containing intentionally added PFAS and the Chemical Abstracts Service  
215 Registry Number, also known as a “CAS Registry Number” or “CAS RN,” of each PFAS  
216 compound; (v) the amount of the product or the product component or the numbers of products  
217 or product components sold, delivered or imported into the state; (vi) the name and address of  
218 the manufacturer, and the name, address and phone number of the contact person for the  
219 manufacturer; and (vii) any additional information established by the department as necessary to  
220 implement the requirements of this section.

221 (3) With the approval of the department, a manufacturer may supply the information  
222 required in paragraph (2) for a category or type of product rather than for each individual  
223 product.

224 (4) In a manner determined by the department, a manufacturer shall update and revise the  
225 information required under paragraph (2) whenever there is a significant change in the  
226 information or when requested to do so by the department.

227 (5) The department may establish by regulation and assess a fee payable by a  
228 manufacturer upon submission of the notification required under paragraph (2) to cover the  
229 department's reasonable costs in developing and administering this section.

230 (g) (1) A manufacturer of products registered under paragraph (2) of subsection (f) shall  
231 send an electronic notification to distributors and wholesalers of the product that the product  
232 contains PFAS.

233 (2) A distributor or wholesaler who receives a notification pursuant to paragraph (1) shall  
234 send an electronic notification to retailers of the product that the product contains PFAS.

235 (3) The department shall adopt regulations to implement this subsection.

236 (4) The attorney general shall have the authority to enforce the provisions of this  
237 subsection under G.L. c. 93A, § 4.

238 (h) A manufacturer of products registered under paragraph (2) of subsection (f) shall state  
239 the presence of PFAS on a product label that is visible and legible to the consumer, including on  
240 the product listing for online sales. Products that meet both of the following requirements are  
241 exempt from the requirements of this section: (i) the surface area of the product cannot fit a

242 product label of at least two square inches; and (ii) the product does not have either (1) an  
243 exterior container or wrapper on which a product label can appear or be affixed, or (2) a tag or  
244 other attachment with information about the product attached to the product.

245 (i) A manufacturer of any of the following products that is sold, offered for sale,  
246 distributed or offered for promotional purposes in, or imported into, the state shall test for the  
247 presence of unintentionally added PFAS using analytical methods approved by the department:  
248 (i) child passenger restraints; (ii) cookware; (iii) fabric treatments; (iv) personal care products;  
249 (v) rugs and carpets; (vi) upholstered furniture; and (vii) children’s products.

250 SECTION 5. Chapter 111 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after  
251 section 244 the following sections:-

252 Section 245. (a) The department, in consultation with the department of environmental  
253 protection, shall design and implement a public awareness campaign to inform Massachusetts  
254 residents of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, commonly referred to as “PFAS”,  
255 contamination across the commonwealth and potential health impacts of PFAS exposure. The  
256 campaign shall include, but is not limited to, the following subjects: (i) PFAS exposure  
257 pathways, including drinking water, groundwater, surface water, wastewater, land application of  
258 biosolids, landfills, air and fish tissue; (ii) consumer products that are known to contain PFAS;  
259 (iii) PFAS in Class B firefighting foam; (iv) facilities that are known and potential sources of  
260 PFAS in the commonwealth; (v) potential health impacts of PFAS exposure; and (vi) state  
261 assistance programs for PFAS remediation.

262 (b) The department of public health shall develop informational booklets about PFAS and  
263 make the booklets available to all health care professionals, community health centers, and



264 members of the public upon their request. The department shall publicize and make available the  
265 booklet to the maximum extent possible, and shall make the booklet available electronically on  
266 its website in English and Spanish. This information may be revised by the department whenever  
267 new information about the health impacts of PFAS becomes available.

268 Section 246. (a) The following terms shall, unless the context clearly requires otherwise,  
269 have the following meanings:-

270 “Firefighting personal protective equipment” means any clothing designed, intended or  
271 marketed to be worn by firefighting personnel in the performance of their duties, designed with  
272 the intent for the use in fire and rescue activities, including jackets, pants, shoes, gloves, helmets  
273 and respiratory equipment.

274 “Local governments” includes any county, city, town, fire district, regional fire protection  
275 authority, or special purpose district that provides firefighting services.

276 “Manufacturer”, any person, firm or corporation that manufactures or distributes  
277 firefighting agents or firefighting equipment. In the case of a product imported into the United  
278 States, “manufacturer” includes the importer or first domestic distributor of the product if the  
279 person that manufactured or assembled or whose brand name is affixed to the product does not  
280 have a presence in the United States.

281 "Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances" or “PFAS”, a class of fluorinated substances that  
282 contain at least one fully fluorinated methyl or methylene carbon atom.

283 (b) (1) A manufacturer or other person that sells firefighting personal protective  
284 equipment containing PFAS to any person, local government or state agency shall provide

285 written notice to the purchaser at the time of sale: (i) that the firefighting personal protective  
286 equipment contains PFAS; and (ii) the reason PFAS are added to the equipment.

287 (2) The manufacturer or other person selling firefighting personal protective equipment  
288 and the purchaser of the equipment shall retain a copy of the notice required pursuant to this  
289 subsection on file for at least 3 years from the date of the purchase. Upon the request of the  
290 department, a person, manufacturer, or purchaser shall furnish the notice, or written copies, and  
291 associated sales documentation to the department within 60 days of such request.

292 SECTION 6. Said section 246 of said chapter 111 of the General Laws, is hereby  
293 amended by striking out subsection (b) and inserting in place thereof the following subsection:-

294 (b) A manufacturer or other person that sells firefighting personal protective equipment to  
295 any person, local government, or state agency shall not manufacture, knowingly sell, offer for  
296 sale, distribute for sale, or distribute for use in the commonwealth any firefighting personal  
297 protective equipment containing intentionally added PFAS.

298 SECTION 7. (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no person,  
299 local government or state agency shall use a Class B firefighting foam that contains intentionally  
300 added PFAS in any amount for training or testing purposes.

301 (b) Any person, unit of local government, fire department, or state agency that discharges  
302 or releases Class B firefighting foam that contains intentionally added PFAS must notify the  
303 department of environmental protection's emergency response line within 48 hours of the  
304 discharge or release.

305 (c) The department of public health shall collect data on occupational exposure to PFAS,  
306 including, but not limited to, firefighters, and shall report data through the Massachusetts Cancer  
307 Registry.

308 SECTION 8. The department of environmental protection shall amend the private well  
309 guidelines, last updated July 2018, and model BOH regulation for private wells, last updated July  
310 2018, to include language for testing, monitoring, and remediation of per- and polyfluoroalkyl  
311 substances regulated by the department under 310 CMR 22.07G(3).

312 SECTION 9. Subsection (a) of section 43B of chapter 21 of the General Laws shall take  
313 effect six months after United States Environmental Protection Agency Method 1633 is available  
314 to the public.

315 SECTION 10. Subsection (b) of said section 43B of said chapter 21 shall take effect on  
316 the 180th day following enactment.

317 SECTION 11. Subsection (c) of said section 43B of said chapter 21 shall take effect two  
318 years after United States Environmental Protection Agency Method 1633 is available to the  
319 public.

320 SECTION 12. Section 5T of said chapter 111 shall take effect January 1, 2026.

321 SECTION 13. Subsection (b) of said section 5U of said chapter 111 shall take effect  
322 January 1, 2026.

323 SECTION 14. Subsection (c) of said section 5U of said chapter 111 shall take effect  
324 January 1, 2030.

325 SECTION 15. Paragraph (1) of said subsection (g) of said section 5U of said chapter 111  
326 shall take effect June 1, 2026.

327 SECTION 16. Subsection (h) of said section 5U of said chapter 111 shall take effect  
328 January 1, 2026.

329 SECTION 17. Subsection (i) of said section 5U of said chapter 111 shall take effect  
330 January 1, 2030.

331 SECTION 18. Section 245 of said chapter 111 shall take effect on the 180th day  
332 following enactment.

333 SECTION 19. Section 246 of said chapter 111 shall take effect January 1, 2025.

334 SECTION 20. Section 6 shall take effect January 1, 2026