

Subject: Public comment period on draft regulatory actions + starting rulemaking

Safer Products for Washington stakeholders,

In partnership with Department of Health, today we released our <u>draft report to the Legislature</u> <u>on regulatory determinations</u>. Today we're also starting the rulemaking process for our program—you'll hear more on this soon!

What we need from you: Feedback on the draft report

Please <u>share your feedback</u> on our <u>draft report</u> within the 60-day comment period from November 17, 2021, to January 14, 2022. We welcome all input and encourage you to focus on:

- Whether you're concerned about harmful chemicals in products you purchase or use.
- Whether the safer alternatives we identified will work for the intended purpose in the products you manufacture, sell, or use.
- How these draft determinations could be implemented if we finalize them—time for compliance, existing product stocks, concentration limits, testing methods, etc.

Why we made these draft determinations (to restrict or require reporting)

If our draft determination is a restriction, that means we identified safer alternatives to priority chemicals that are feasible to use in the product and that are available on the commercial market. If we didn't identify a safer alternative meeting these criteria for feasibility and availability, we proposed a draft reporting requirement.

What comes next: Final report to the Legislature

After we receive your feedback during the comment period, we will finalize this report and submit it to the Legislature by June 1, 2022. In 2022, we will use the <u>rulemaking process</u> to collaborate with the public and stakeholders and develop these potential regulatory actions.

Thank you for your involvement with our <u>Safer Products for Washington</u> program. We appreciate your feedback as we finalize the report. Reach out to us at <u>SaferProductsWA@ecy.wa.gov</u> if you have questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Safer Products for WA team Implementation program for RCW <u>70A.350</u> <u>https://bit.ly/SaferProductsWA</u>