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"AN ACT CONCERNING CADMIUM LEVELS IN CHILDREN'S JEWELRY."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
4 to study the threshold at which cadmium is safe in children's jewelry.
5 The task force shall consist of the following members:

6 (1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,
7 who shall represent the jewelry manufacturing industry;

8 (2) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who
9 shall represent a not-for-profit organization promoting children's
10 health and safety;

11 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
12 Representatives, who shall be a chemist with expertise in the

13 bioavailability of heavy metals and shall serve as an ex-officio member
14 of the task force;

15 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who shall be
16 a member of a child advocacy group;

17 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
18 Representatives, who shall be a municipal public health director and
19 shall serve as an ex-officio member of the task force;

20 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who shall
21 represent a jewelry retail business or association in the state;

22 (7) The house chairpersons of the joint standing committees of the
23 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children
24 and general law, or the chairpersons' designees;

25 (8) The senate chairpersons of the joint standing committees of the
26 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children
27 and general law, or the chairpersons' designees;

28 (9) The house ranking members of the joint standing committees of
29 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
30 children and general law, or the ranking members' designees;

31 (10) The senate ranking members of the joint standing committees of
32 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
33 children and general law, or the ranking members' designees;

34 (11) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection, or the
35 commissioner's designee; and

36 (12) The Commissioner of Public Health, or the commissioner's
37 designee.

38 (b) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivisions (1)
39 to (10), inclusive, of subsection (a) of this section may be a member of
40 the General Assembly.

41 (c) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than
 42 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be
 43 filled by the appointing authority.

44 (d) The house chairpersons of the joint standing committees of the
 45 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children
 46 and general law shall serve as the chairpersons of the task force. Such
 47 chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which
 48 shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this
 49 section.

50 (e) The administrative staff of the joint standing committees of the
 51 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children
 52 and general law shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.

53 (f) Not later than January 15, 2015, the task force shall submit a
 54 report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general
 55 statutes, on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
 56 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
 57 relating to children, general law and public health. The task force shall
 58 terminate on the date that it submits such report or January 15, 2015,
 59 whichever is later."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	New section