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S.P. 145

In Senate, February 12, 2013

An Act To Define "Contaminant" in the Laws Governing Toxic Chemicals in Children's Products

Reference to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

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DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator HAMPER of Oxford. Cosponsored by Representative SANDERSON of Chelsea and Senators: CUSHING of Penobscot, THIBODEAU of Waldo, Representatives: AYOTTE of Caswell, HARLOW of Portland.

1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follow	1	Be it enacted	by the Peopl	e of the State	of Maine as follow
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2 Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §1691, sub-§7-A is enacted to read:

7-A. Contaminant. "Contaminant" means a trace element of a chemical that is
 incidental to manufacturing and serves no intended function in the product component.
 "Contaminant" includes, but is not limited to, unintended by-products of chemical
 reactions during the manufacture of the product component, trace impurities in feedstock,
 incompletely reacted chemical mixtures and degradation products.

8 SUMMARY
9 This bill amends the laws governing toxic chemicals in children's products to define
10 the term "contaminant" as used in those laws.