



ARIZONA STATE SENATE
Fifty-Fourth Legislature, First Regular Session

AMENDED
FACT SHEET FOR S.B. 1526

~~appropriation; universities; student internships~~
(NOW: firefighting foam; prohibited uses)

As passed by the Senate, S.B. 1526 appropriated \$300,000 to the Arizona Board of Regents for student internships in Washington D.C. The House of Representatives adopted a strike everything amendment that does the following:

Purpose

Prohibits the discharge or use of class B firefighting foam that contains intentionally added perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS) chemicals for training or testing purposes unless required by law or done in a facility with proper containment, treatment, and disposal measures.

Background

According to the [U.S. Environmental Protection Agency](#), PFAS are a group of man-made chemicals that includes PFOA, PFOS, GenX, and many other chemicals. PFAS have been manufactured and used in a variety of industries around the globe, including in the United States since the 1940s. Certain PFAS chemicals are no longer manufactured in the United States as a result of phase outs.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with this legislation.

Provisions

1. Prohibits, beginning January 1, 2020, a person, local government or state agency from discharging or using class B firefighting foam that contains intentionally added PFAS chemicals for training or testing purposes.
2. Allows the use or discharge of class B firefighting foam that contains intentionally added PFAS chemicals for training purposes if required by law or federal regulation.
3. Allows the use or discharge of class B firefighting foam that contains intentionally added PFAS chemicals for testing purposes if:
 - a) the discharge is required by law or federal regulation; or
 - b) the testing facility has implemented appropriate containment, treatment and disposal measures to prevent uncontrolled releases of firefighting foam into the environment.
4. Specifies that this legislation does not prohibit:
 - a) manufacturing, selling or distributing class B firefighting foam that contains intentionally added PFAS chemicals; or
 - b) discharging or using class B firefighting foam in emergency firefighting or fire prevention operations.

5. Defines *PFAS chemicals* as perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances that are a class of fluorinated organic chemicals containing at least one fully fluorinated carbon atom, that are designed to be fully functional in class B firefighting foam formulations and that are used as a firefighting agent.
6. Defines *class B firefighting foam, local government and testing*.
7. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

Amendments Adopted by the House of Representatives

- Adopted the strike everything amendment relating to prohibited uses of class B firefighting foam.

House Action

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