

HB 3379 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Labor and Business

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Prohibits the remanufacture, retrofit, sale, resale, contracting to sell or resell, and leasing of crib bumper pads. Prohibits public accommodations and commercial users from having or using crib bumper pads unless medical professional has deemed bumper pad medically necessary. Requires Office of Child Care to notify child care providers and adopt related rules. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

House vote: Ayes, 56; Excused, 4--Levy, Morgan, Smith G, Wallan.

No fiscal impact; no revenue impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Padded crib bumpers are pillow-like apparatuses that attach to the inside perimeter of a baby's crib, ostensibly to prevent the baby's arms or legs from becoming stuck between the slats. Currently, crib bumper pads are not regulated by the federal government or any regulatory authority in Oregon. The American Academy of Pediatrics has long advocated against the use of crib bumper pads by parents and caregivers due to the risk of suffocation. On March 26, 2020 the Consumer Products Safety Commission announced a unanimous vote to prohibit the sale of padded crib bumpers that fail to meet certain air flow requirements and issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that may result in a federal ban of crib bumper pads.

House Bill 3379-A institutes a statewide ban on the sale and public and commercial use of crib bumper pads within Oregon.