

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 2322

59th Legislature
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Yeas 79 Nays 18

Speaker of the House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate March 1, 2006
Yeas 41 Nays 7

President of the Senate

Approved

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Richard Nafziger, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 2322** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

Chief Clerk

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**Secretary of State
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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By Representative Ormsby

Read first time 04/14/2005. Referred to Committee on Natural
Resources, Ecology & Parks.

1 AN ACT Relating to limiting the phosphorus content in dishwashing
2 detergent; and amending RCW 70.95L.005 and 70.95L.020.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.95L.005 and 1993 c 118 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 The legislature hereby finds and declares that:

7 (1) Phosphorus loading of surface waters can stimulate the growth
8 of weeds and algae, and that such growth can have adverse
9 environmental, health, and aesthetic effects;

10 (2) Household detergents contribute to phosphorus loading, and that
11 a limit on detergents containing phosphorus can significantly reduce
12 the discharge of phosphorus into the state's surface and ground waters;

13 (3) Household detergents containing no or very low phosphorus are
14 readily available and that over thirty percent of the United States
15 population lives in areas with a ban on detergents containing
16 phosphorus; (~~and~~)

17 (4) Phosphorus limits on household detergents can significantly
18 reduce treatment costs at those sewage treatment facilities that remove
19 phosphorus from the waste stream; and

1 (5) While significant reductions of phosphorus from laundry
2 detergent have been accomplished, similar progress in reducing
3 phosphorus contributions from dishwashing detergents has not been
4 achieved.

5 It is therefore the intent of the legislature to impose a statewide
6 limit on the phosphorus content of household detergents.

7 **Sec. 2.** RCW 70.95L.020 and 1993 c 118 s 3 are each amended to read
8 as follows:

9 (1) After July 1, 1994, a person may not sell or distribute for
10 sale a laundry detergent that contains 0.5 percent or more phosphorus
11 by weight.

12 (2)(a) After July 1, 1994, and until the dates specified in (b) of
13 this subsection, a person may not sell or distribute for sale a
14 dishwashing detergent that contains 8.7 percent or more phosphorous by
15 weight.

16 (b) A person may not sell or distribute for sale a dishwashing
17 detergent that contains 0.5 percent or more phosphorus by weight:

18 (i) Commencing July 1, 2008, in counties with populations, as
19 determined by office of financial management population estimates:

20 (A) Greater than one hundred eighty thousand and less than two
21 hundred twenty thousand; and

22 (B) Greater than three hundred ninety thousand and less than six
23 hundred fifty thousand;

24 (ii) Commencing July 1, 2010, throughout the state.

25 (3) This section does not apply to the sale or distribution of
26 detergents for commercial and industrial uses.

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