

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

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REFERRED TO SENATE ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES & ENERGY COMMITTEE

PFAS Prevention Act

This act shall be known as the PFAS Prevention Act.

This bill would prevent the use of PFAS chemicals in AstroTurf athletic fields at the high school, college, and professional level. These chemicals have proven to be toxic and increased exposure leads to other possible diseases. Due to their respective carbon-fluorine bonds being one of the strongest, these chemicals do not degrade easily from the environment.

Section 1. Definitions

“Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).” Large, complex group of synthetic chemicals comprised of a chain of linked carbon and fluorine atoms that are found in various everyday products such as but not limited to anti-stick packaging or cookware, stain-resistant clothes and carpets, or firefighting foam.

Section 2. Policy Implementation

1. Implementation plans must be adopted by entities to remove this chemical from Astro-Turf fields and/or replace the field(s) entirely
2. Entities shall have 5 years to implement this policy.

Section 3. Penalties

1. Fields that contain PFAS at the end of the five-year window will be deemed unplayable.
2. Entities that continue to utilize AstroTurf fields that contain PFAS at the end of the five-year window will be liable for damages and ineligible for public grants and funding.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.