
SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Anthony Portantino, Chair
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AB 1423 (Schiavo) - Product safety: PFAS: artificial turf or synthetic surfaces

Version: July 3, 2023

Urgency: No

Hearing Date: September 1, 2023

Policy Vote: E.Q. 6 - 0, GOV. & F. 7 - 0

Mandate: No

Consultant: Ashley Ames

Bill Summary: This bill would ban the installation of artificial turf containing specified levels of Perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) at certain public and private institutions, including local schools, and would completely ban the manufacture, distribution, and sale of the same type of turf.

***** ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE *****

The following information is revised to reflect amendments
adopted by the committee on September 1, 2023

Fiscal Impact:

- Potential costs of an unknown amount (Proposition 98 General Fund) to local educational agencies, to the extent the cost of alternatives to a covered surface containing PFAS is more expensive. The state has over 11,000 schools.
- Potential costs of an unknown but likely minor amount (General Fund) to the University of California (UC), to the extent the cost of alternatives to a covered surface containing PFAS is more expensive. The UC has nine undergraduate campuses with various intercollegiate athletic facilities that may use artificial turf or synthetic surfaces that resemble grass.
- The Department of Justice anticipates any costs would be minor and absorbable.

Author Amendments: These amendments would remove noticing requirements and delay implementation by two years.

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