

#### 115TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

# S. 1372

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BOOKER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

# A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Limiting Lead Expo-
- 5 sure & Advancing Detection in Children's Foods Act" or
- 6 the "Limiting LEAD in Children's Foods Act".

### 1 SEC. 2. UPDATED LIMITS FOR LEAD IN FRUIT JUICE BEV-

- 2 ERAGES AND FOODS.
- 3 (a) Fruit Juice Beverages.—Not later than 1
- 4 year after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary
- 5 of Health and Human Services (referred to in this section
- 6 as the "Secretary") shall promulgate a final regulation es-
- 7 tablishing a maximum level of lead for fruit juice bev-
- 8 erages, which shall be not greater than the maximum level
- 9 of lead permitted in bottled water pursuant to regulations
- 10 promulgated under section 410 of the Federal Food,
- 11 Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 349).
- 12 (b) Tolerable Daily Level of Exposure From
- 13 FOODS.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enact-
- 14 ment of this Act, the Secretary shall promulgate a final
- 15 regulation establishing a recommended maximum tolerable
- 16 daily level of lead exposure from foods.
- 17 (c) STANDARDS AND EVIDENCE.—The Secretary
- 18 shall establish the maximum levels of lead under sub-
- 19 sections (a) and (b) based on the cumulative health risks
- 20 of lead exposure, including with respect to pregnant
- 21 women, infants, and children, using scientific evidence and
- 22 standards.
- 23 SEC. 3. REPORT TO CONGRESS.
- Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
- 25 of this Act, the Commissioner of Food and Drugs shall
- 26 submit a report to Congress on lead exposure in baby

1	foods, fruit juices, and other foods frequently consumed
2	by infants and children, which shall—
3	(1) address, at minimum—
4	(A) differences in levels of lead in varying
5	types of foods, including raw fruit, raw vegeta-
6	bles, baby foods, baby food juice, regular juice,
7	prepared meals, and dry foods;
8	(B) all known and potential sources of lead
9	in food, including lead-contaminated soil, food
10	processing materials, bottling procedures, and
11	food preparation;
12	(C) actions the Food and Drug Adminis-
13	tration has taken and plans to take to reduce
14	lead in foods; and
15	(D) actions the Food and Drug Adminis-
16	tration has taken and plans to take to imple-
17	ment sensitive methods that have the capacity
18	to detect the lowest possible amount of lead;
19	and
20	(2) include recommendations for Congress and
21	for food manufacturers on reducing the amount of
22	lead in foods