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1 AN ACT concerning safety.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
Toxin-Free Toddler Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions.

7 "Child" means any person who is less than 3 years of age.
8 "Children's food or beverage container" means an empty
9 bottle or cup to be filled with food or liquid that is designed
10 or intended by a manufacturer to be used by a child.

11 "Manufacturer" means any person who makes and places a 12 children's food or beverage container into the stream of 13 commerce.

14 "Retailer" means any person other than a manufacturer, 15 distributor, or wholesaler who sells at retail children's food 16 or beverage containers. "Sell at retail" has the same meaning 17 as provided under Section 1 of the Retailers' Occupation Tax 18 Act.

19 "Wholesaler" means any person, other than a manufacturer or 20 retailer, who sells or resells or otherwise places a children's 21 food or beverage container into the stream of commerce.

22 Section 10. Prohibit Bisphenol A in children's food or

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1 beverage containers.

(a) Beginning January 1, 2013, a manufacturer or wholesaler
may not sell or offer for sale in this State a children's food
or beverage container that contains bisphenol A.

5 (b) Beginning January 1, 2014, a retailer may not knowingly 6 sell or offer for sale in this State a children's food or 7 beverage container that contains bisphenol A.

8 (c) This Section does not apply to the sale of a used 9 children's food or beverage container.

10 Section 15. Enforcement.

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(a) The Attorney General may bring an action in the name of the People of the State of Illinois to enforce the provisions of this Act in the circuit court of any county in which a violation occurs.

15 (b) When (i) it appears to the Attorney General that a 16 manufacturer, wholesaler, or retailer has engaged in or is engaging in any practice declared to be in violation of this 17 18 Act, or (ii) the Attorney General receives a written complaint 19 from a consumer of the commission of a practice declared to be 20 in violation of this Act, or (iii) the Attorney General 21 believes it to be in the public interest that an investigation 22 should be made to ascertain whether a person in fact has 23 engaged in or is engaging in any practice declared to be in 24 violation of this Act, the Attorney General may:

(1) Require that person to file, on terms that the

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- Attorney General prescribes, a statement or report in
 writing under oath or otherwise, as to all information the
 Attorney General considers necessary.
- 4 (2) Examine under oath any person in connection with 5 the conduct of any trade or commerce.

6 (3) Examine any merchandise or sample thereof, record, 7 book, document, account, or paper the Attorney General 8 considers necessary.

9 (4) Pursuant to an order of the circuit court, impound 10 any record, book, document, account, paper, or sample of a 11 children's food or beverage container, and retain it in the 12 Attorney General's possession until the completion of all 13 proceedings in connection with which it is produced.

14 (c) In the administration of this Act, the Attorney General 15 may accept an assurance of voluntary compliance with respect to 16 any practice deemed to be a violation of this Act from any 17 manufacturer, wholesaler, or retailer who has engaged in or is engaging in that practice. Evidence of the violation of an 18 19 assurance of voluntary compliance shall be prima facie evidence 20 of a violation of this Act in any subsequent proceeding brought 21 by the Attorney General against the alleged violator with 22 regard to the specific violation or violations addressed in the 23 assurance of voluntary compliance.

(d) Whenever the Attorney General has reason to believe
that any manufacturer, wholesaler, or retailer has engaged in
or is engaging in any practice in violation of this Act and

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that proceedings would be in the public interest, he or she may bring an action in the name of the People of the State against that manufacturer, wholesaler, or retailer to restrain by preliminary or permanent injunction the use of that practice.

5 (e) Civil penalties paid under Section 20 shall be 6 deposited into the Attorney General Court Ordered and Voluntary 7 Compliance Payment Projects Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be 8 used, subject to appropriation, for the performance of any 9 function pertaining to the exercise of the duties of the 10 Attorney General, including, but not limited to, enforcement of 11 any law of this State and conducting public education programs. 12 Any moneys in the Fund that are required by the court or by an 13 agreement to be used for a particular purpose must be used for 14 that purpose, however.

15 Section 20. Penalties. A manufacturer, retailer, or 16 wholesaler who violates this Act is subject to a civil penalty 17 in an amount not to exceed \$200 for each day that the violation 18 continues.

19 Section 98. Repeal. This Act shall be repealed if the 20 United States Food and Drug Administration promulgates a final 21 rule amending its food additive regulations in order to 22 prohibit the use of polycarbonate resins in infant feeding 23 bottles and spill-proof cups.

24 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon

1 becoming law.