Washington DC mayor signs TDCPP, TCEP bill

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The mayor of the District of Columbia has signed a [bill](https://chemicalwatch.com/45543/) to ban two chlorinated flame retardants from most household items.

The Carcinogenic Flame Retardant Prohibition Amendment Act (B21-143) prohibits the manufacture, sale or distribution of products containing TDCPP and TCEP:

- in children's products and residential upholstered furniture, at concentrations above 0.1% by mass, by 1 January 2018; and
- in “any product containing more than 0.1% by mass in any product component”, with some exceptions, by 1 January 2019.

The measure also outlines hazard criteria that limit which replacement substances may be used.

The District is set to join several other states, including [Maryland](https://chemicalwatch.com/21410/), [Minnesota](https://chemicalwatch.com/24038/) and [New York](https://chemicalwatch.com/21413/), in restricting the chemicals’ use.

Pursuant to laws governing the District of Columbia, the measure will be subject to a 30-day review by Congress before it can become law.

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