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Dear Representatives Guthrie and Pallone and Senators Capito and Whitehouse,

We are legislators from states that have enacted policies to protect the health of families and communities from PFAS and other harmful chemicals. We are writing to express our strong opposition to reopening or amending the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). Reopening this law will threaten our ongoing ability to protect the health of our residents from harmful chemicals and undermine state authority.

In 2016, Congress strengthened TSCA with overwhelming bipartisan support. In addition to strengthening EPA's role, the updated law is very clear that states have a role in protecting their residents from harmful chemicals, a role we take very seriously. Since 2016, 244 laws have been passed in 32 states that protect the public from harmful substances including PFAS, plastic chemicals, flame retardants and heavy metals.

People in our states benefit every day from the ability of state governments to act quickly and decisively when toxic threats emerge. Over decades, our states have adopted regulatory tools, health-based standards, and disclosure laws tailored to local conditions. These tools and laws are **complementary** to those developed at the federal level. Reopening TSCA would very likely to erode state authority, undermining hard-won protections.

We urge you to reject attempts to reopen TSCA and to resist efforts that would centralize control in Washington DC at the expense of states' rights and public health. The partnership between federal and state governments has been essential in creating a healthy future for all and should be protected and preserved.

Sincerely,

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