Overview

This bill would repeal section 115A.9651, which limits the distribution of inks, dyes, pigments, paints, and fungicides containing certain metals.

1 Repeals section 115A.9651 which regulates the use of lead, cadmium, mercury, and hexavalent chromium in inks, dyes, pigments, paints, and fungicides. Manufacturers of inks, dyes, pigments, paints, and fungicides which contain those chemicals were required to certify by July 1, 1998 that an ink, dye, pigment, paints or fungicide containing certain levels of any of those chemicals has been reformulated to reduce the chemical levels to meet the requirements of that section, or if there has been a significant change in circumstances, to request review of the product by the Pollution Control Agency (PCA) and the Listed Metals Advisory Council. Products which contain more than specified amounts of the chemicals listed above are to be placed on a list of prohibited products which cannot be distributed in the state. Art supplies, essential products, and existing products which are being reviewed by the Listed Metals Advisory Council and the PCA are not included on the list. The Listed Metals Advisory Council and PCA are required to complete review of existing products and determine whether any should be included on the list of prohibited products by July 1, 2005. Existing law also requires review of new products covered by section 115A.9651 which contain more than specified levels of any of the chemicals listed above and prohibits the introduction of new products containing more than specified amounts of those chemicals after July 1, 2005 without PCA approval.

2 Provides that section 1 is effective the day following final enactment.