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NO. 8 (Pennsylvania)

STATE LEGISLATION ALERT

TO: All NPCA members in Pennsylvania
NPCA Legislative Committee
All Officers, Philadelphia Paint & Coatings Assn.
All Officers, Pittsburgh Paint and Coatings Assn.

Subject: Pennsylvania House Bill No. 81; Lead Paint Poisoning
Prevention and Control.

Encl: (1) Letter to Senator Kennedy of December 1, 1972
(2) Recommended amendments

1. Status: Introduced on January 22, 1973 by Representatives Fineman,
Irviss, Gelfand, Shupnik, Hammock, Fee, D. M. Davis, Vann,
Lincoln, DiCorle, Mrs. Gillette, Kelter, Doyle, Mrs. Toll, Savitt,
Zeller and Rhodes. Referred to the Committee on State Government.

2. Brief Synopsis:

a. Defines lead-based paint as any paint, glaze or other substance
containing .06% or more of metallic lead, by weight.

b. Prohibits application of lead based paint to:

1. any interior surface or fixture of any dwelling;
2. any exterior surface or fixture of any dwelling
which may be reached unaided by children under 6.
(There is a conclusive presumption that exterior sur-
faces or fixtures less than 4 feet from the ground or
floor are accessible to children under 6.);
3. any toy, furniture, cooking, drinking or eating
utensil.

c. Prohibits sale of any toy, furniture, cooking, drinking,
or eating utensil to which lead-based paint has been
applied.

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lishing a safe lead-content standard. This is clearly the proper course rather than imposing an arbitrary .06% standard which is not based on hard, scientific data. The enclosure is forwarded so all will have the benefit of our latest thinking as a basis for opposing this Bill.

Recommended amendments to make this Bill more reasonable are also enclosed.

All addressees are urged to advise their representatives in the Pennsylvania legislature of their strong opposition to the Bill as presently written.

Mr. Daniel J. Haley, Jr., President of Finnore & Haley, Inc., 2320 Haverford Road, Ardmore, Pa. has volunteered to assume the local coordinating and leadership role in this matter. Please provide maximum assistance.

Enactment of this Bill in its present form would be devastating to the paint industry in Pennsylvania.

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