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Make provision about the regulation of hormone disrupting chemicals; and for connected purposes.

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen’s most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1 Ban on certain hormone disrupting chemicals

- (1) Where, in the opinion of the Environment Agency—
- (a) a substance (substance A) contains hormone disrupting chemicals which may damage human health or the environment; and
 - (b) there is an alternative substance which adequately performs the functions of substance A;
- it shall lay a report to that effect before each House of Parliament. 5
- (2) Within three months of the report under subsection (1) being laid before each House of Parliament, the Secretary of State shall make an order to ban substance A. 10
- (3) Before making a report under subsection (1) the Environment Agency shall consult with such organisations as the Secretary of State may by regulations prescribe.
- (4) Any power to make an order or regulations under this section is exercisable by statutory instrument. 15
- (5) The Secretary of State may not make an order or regulations under this section unless a draft of the order or regulations has been laid before, and approved by resolution of, each House of Parliament.
- (6) In this section—
- “substance containing hormone disrupting chemicals” means chemicals, including pesticides, industrial chemicals, by-products of industrial processes and components of sewage effluent, which in the opinion of the Environment Agency, have endocrine disrupting activity. 20

2 Clause Title

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Regulation of Hormone Disrupting Chemicals Act 2004.
- (2) This Act extends to England and Wales.

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