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A BILL

To enact section 3737.52 of the Revised Code to	1
prohibit the use of class B firefighting foam	2
containing intentionally added PFAS chemicals	3
for testing and training purposes.	4

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 3737.52 of the Revised Code be	5
enacted to read as follows:	6
Sec. 3737.52. (A) As used in this section:	7
(1) "Class B firefighting foam" means a foam that is	8
designed to extinguish a fire caused by flammable liquid.	9
(2) "PFAS chemicals" means a class of fluorinated organic	10
chemicals containing at least one fully fluorinated carbon atom,	11
including perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances, that	12
are designed to be fully functional in class B firefighting foam	13
formulations.	14
(3) "Testing" includes calibration testing, conformance	15
testing, and fixed system testing.	16

(B) No person shall use a class B firefighting foam	17
containing intentionally added PFAS chemicals for training	18
purposes.	19
(C)(1) Except as provided in division (C)(2) of this	20
section, no person shall use a class B firefighting foam	21
containing intentionally added PFAS chemicals for testing	22
purposes.	23
(2) A person may use a class B firefighting foam	24
containing intentionally added PFAS chemicals for testing	25
purposes if required by law, regulation, or ordinance and the	26
testing facility has implemented appropriate containment,	27
treatment, and disposal measures to prevent releases of the	28
class B firefighting foam into the environment.	29
(D) Nothing in this section restricts either of the	30
following:	31
(1) The manufacture, sale, or distribution of class B	32
firefighting foam containing intentionally added PFAS chemicals.	33
(2) The use of class B firefighting foam containing	34
intentionally added PFAS chemicals in emergency firefighting or	35
fire prevention operations.	36
(E) For purposes of using foam during firefighting	37
operations training, a person may use a training foam that does	38
not contain intentionally added PFAS chemicals.	39