

1 **PHOSPHORUS LIMIT IN DISHWASHING**

2 **DETERGENT**

3 2008 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Christine A. Johnson**

6 Senate Sponsor: Peter C. Knudson

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**LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9 This bill prohibits the sale of certain types of dishwashing detergent.

10 **Highlighted Provisions:**

11 This bill:

12 ▶ prohibits the sale of a household dishwashing detergent that contains 0.5 % or more  
13 phosphorus by weight.

14 **Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

15 None

16 **Other Special Clauses:**

17 None

18 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

19 ENACTS:

20 **19-5-124**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

22 Section 1. Section **19-5-124** is enacted to read:

23 **19-5-124. Phosphorus limit for household dishwashing detergent.**

24 (1) As used in this section, "household dishwashing detergent" means a substance  
25 used:



28 (a) to clean an item commonly used for preparing food, eating, or drinking; and

29 (b) by an individual for a personal, family, or household purpose.

30 (2) Except as provided by Subsection (3), a person may not sell a household

31 dishwashing detergent that contains 0.5 % or more phosphorus by weight on or after:

32 (a) July 1, 2009, in a county of the first or second class; and

33 (b) July 1, 2011, in any county in the state.

34 (3) This section does not apply to a dishwashing detergent designed and used for a

35 commercial or industrial purpose.

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**Legislative Review Note**

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**Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel**

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**H.B. 303 - Phosphorus Limit in Dishwashing Detergent**

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**State Impact**

Enactment of this bill will not require additional appropriations. This use of phosphorus is not currently a regulatory element of DEQ.

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**Individual, Business and/or Local Impact**

Wastewater treatment facilities may benefit due to decreased levels of phosphorus entering into their collection systems. It is unknown at this time if individuals would be impacted with future dishwashing detergent purchases because of the new chemical requirements of the bill..

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