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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION (CPSC)

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

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Regulatory Flexibility Act; Semiannual Regulatory Flexibility and Unified Agendas

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Commission publishes its semiannual regulatory flexibility agenda. In addition, this document includes an agenda of regulatory actions the Commission expects to be under development or review by the agency during the next year. This document meets the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act and Executive Order 12866.

DATES: The Commission welcomes comments on each subject area of the agenda, particularly from small entities. Written comments concerning the agenda should be received in the Office of the Secretary by December 31, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the regulatory flexibility agenda should be mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207, telephone (301) 504-0800, or delivered to the Office of the Secretary, Room 502, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland 20814. Comments may also be sent to the Office of the Secretary by facsimile at (301) 504-0127 or by e-mail at cpssc@cpssc.gov. Comments should be captioned "Regulatory Flexibility Agenda."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information on the agenda in general, contact Stephen Lemberg, Office of the General Counsel, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207; telephone (301) 504-0980, ext. 2218. For further information regarding a particular item on the agenda, consult the individual listed in the column headed "Contact" for that particular item.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA) (5 U.S.C. 601-612) contains several provisions intended to reduce unnecessary and disproportionate regulatory requirements on small businesses, small governmental organizations, and other small entities. Section 602 of the RFA (5 U.S.C. 602) requires each agency to publish, twice each year, a regulatory flexibility agenda containing a brief description of the subject area of any rule expected to be proposed or promulgated that is likely to have a "significant economic impact" on a "substantial number" of small entities. The agency must also provide a summary of the nature of the rule and a schedule for acting on each rule for which the agency has issued a notice of proposed rulemaking.

The regulatory flexibility agenda is also required to contain the name and address of the agency official knowledgeable about the items listed. Further, agencies are required to provide notice of their agendas to small entities and to solicit their comments by direct notification or by inclusion in publications likely to be obtained by such entities.

Additionally, Executive Order 12866 requires each agency to publish, twice

each year, a regulatory agenda of regulations under development or review during the next year and states that such an agenda may be combined with the agenda published in accordance with the RFA. The regulatory flexibility agenda published below lists the regulatory activities expected to be under development or review during the next 12 months. It includes all such activities, whether or not they may have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

The agenda contains a brief description and summary of each regulatory activity, including the objectives and legal basis for each; an approximate schedule of target dates, subject to revision, for the development or completion of each activity; and the name and telephone number of a knowledgeable agency official concerning particular items on the agenda. All agency contacts have the same address: Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207.

For this edition of the Commission's regulatory agenda, the most important significant regulatory actions are included in The Regulatory Plan, which appears in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**. The Regulatory Plan entries are listed in the table of contents below and are denoted by a bracketed bold reference, which directs the reader to the appropriate sequence number in part II.

Dated: August 20, 1998.

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Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

Prerule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
4290	Petition HP 93-1 Requesting Development of a Rule To Ban Certain Backyard Playsets	3041-AB47
4291	Amendment of the Standard for the Flammability of Clothing Textiles	3041-AB68
4292	Petition CP 97-1 Requesting Development of a Safety Standard for Escalators	3041-AB70
4293	Child Resistant Packaging of Consumer Products Containing Methacrylic Acid	3041-AB78

Proposed Rule Stage

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
4294	Flammability Standard for Upholstered Furniture (Reg Plan Seq. No. 166)	3041-AB35

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Proposed Rule Stage (Continued)

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
4295	Requirements for Child-Resistant Packaging of Household Products Containing Petroleum Distillates	3041-AB57
4296	Requirements for Child-Resistance of Multi-Purpose Lighters (Reg Plan Seq. No. 167)	3041-AB66
4297	Amendment of Laundering Procedures in Flammability Standards for Children's Sleepwear, Carpets and Rugs, and Mattress Pads	3041-AB69

References in boldface appear in the Regulatory Plan in Part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

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Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
4298	Requirements for Child-Resistant Packaging of Minoxidil	3041-AB72
4299	Petition To Exempt Sucraid TM From Special Packaging Requirements Under the Poison Prevention Packaging Act	3041-AB73
4300	Amendments to Clarify Portions of the Standards for the Flammability of Children's Sleepwear	3041-AB74

Long-Term Actions

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
4301	Baby Walkers	3041-AB40
4302	Amendment of Safety Regulations for Cribs	3041-AB67
4303	Requirements for Bunk Beds	3041-AB75

Completed Actions

Sequence Number	Title	Regulation Identifier Number
4304	Requirements for Child-Resistant Packaging; Household Products and Oral Prescription Drugs With Fluoride	3041-AB76

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Prerule Stage

4290. PETITION HP 93-1 REQUESTING DEVELOPMENT OF A RULE TO BAN CERTAIN BACKYARD PLAYSETS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 5 USC 553(e) Administrative Procedure Act; 15 USC 1261 Federal Hazardous Substances Act

CFR Citation: Not yet determined

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: A petition from the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs requests the Commission to develop a rule to ban certain backyard playsets. The petition asserts that backyard playsets present unreasonable

risks of injury to children if they do not meet the requirements of a voluntary standard for home playground equipment published by ASTM (formerly the American Society for Testing and Materials); are not accompanied with adequate information about ground surfacing; or lack specific features described in the petition. On May 21, 1996, the Commission denied those parts of the petition requesting issuance of a rule to ban any backyard playset that does not conform to all requirements of the ASTM voluntary standard; that has an accessible height that exceeds six feet above protective surfacing; that does not have adequate fall zones under

climbing structures; or that does not provide adequate space between any item of swinging equipment and any other item of swinging or stationary equipment. The Commission deferred a decision on those parts of the petition requesting a rule to ban backyard playsets that are not accompanied with instructions to use and maintain specified ground surfacing; that do not have handrails on all platforms that are 30 inches or higher above protective surfacing; that have swing seats made of wood, metal, plastic, or other hard material capable of inflicting serious injury to the head; that have free-swinging ropes; and that are unanchored playsets with swings. In

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1998, the staff is scheduled to transmit additional information to the Commission concerning revisions of the voluntary standard. The Commission will then decide whether to grant, deny, or continue to defer the remaining requests in the petition.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Partial Denial of Petition	05/21/96	
Additional Information Is Sent by Staff to the Commission	10/00/98	
Commission Decision	11/00/98	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 3041-AB47

4291. AMENDMENT OF THE STANDARD FOR THE FLAMMABILITY OF CLOTHING TEXTILES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 15 USC 1191 Flammable Fabrics Act

CFR Citation: 16 CFR 1610

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Standard for the Flammability of Clothing Textiles prohibits the manufacture, importation, or sale of clothing, and fabrics and related materials intended for use in clothing, which are dangerously flammable because of rapid and intense burning. The standard prescribes the apparatus, procedure, and criteria to be used for testing to determine compliance with that standard. The standard was made mandatory by the Flammable Fabrics Act of 1953 (Pub. L. 83-88, 67 Stat. 111; June 30, 1953). Some of the equipment and procedures specified by the standard, particularly those for laundering and cleaning of test specimens, have become obsolete, unavailable, or unrepresentative of current practices. The staff is preparing a briefing package describing

modifications of the standard that may be needed to assure that the test in the standard is conducted with equipment and procedures representative of conditions to which garments currently are exposed. After consideration of the briefing package, the Commission will decide whether to begin a proceeding for amendment of the standard.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Staff Sends Briefing Package to Commission	10/00/98	
Commission Decision	11/00/98	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 3041-AB68

4292. PETITION CP 97-1 REQUESTING DEVELOPMENT OF A SAFETY STANDARD FOR ESCALATORS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 5 USC 553(e) Administrative Procedure Act; 15 USC 2051 Consumer Product Safety Act

CFR Citation: None

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: A petition from Scott and Diana Anderson requests development of a safety standard for escalators. The petition asserts that escalators are associated with unreasonable risks of serious injuries resulting from entrapment of feet, toes, and other body parts in openings between the moving stairs and the sides of the escalators. On May 22, 1997, the Commission published a notice in the Federal Register to solicit comments on the petition from all interested persons. The staff is preparing a briefing package for consideration by the Commission.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Notice to Solicit Comments on Petition	05/22/97	62 FR 28005

Action	Date	FR Cite
Comment Period End	07/21/97	
Staff Sends Briefing Package to Commission	10/00/98	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

Agency Contact: Deborah Tinsworth, Project Manager, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Dir. for Epidemiology & Health Sciences
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RIN: 3041-AB70

4293. ● CHILD RESISTANT PACKAGING OF CONSUMER PRODUCTS CONTAINING METHACRYLIC ACID

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 15 USC 1471 Poison Prevention Packaging Act

CFR Citation: 16 CFR 1700.14

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Under section 2(b) of the Poison Prevention Packaging Act, the Commission can require a special packaging standard for cosmetics for home use. Methacrylic acid is a chemical used as a primer for cleaning and etching fingernails prior to applying artificial nails. Methacrylic acid is associated with severe corrosive injury on contact with skin, eyes, and mucous membranes. The staff is reviewing the medical literature and available injury records to determine if serious injury or illness to children less than 5-years-old results from household use of this product. The staff will transmit a briefing package for the Commission's consideration in November 1998.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Staff Sends Option Package to Commission	11/00/98	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 3041-AB78

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION (CPSC)

Proposed Rule Stage

4294. FLAMMABILITY STANDARD FOR UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE

Regulatory Plan: This entry is Seq. No. 166 in Part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 3041-AB35

4295. REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILD-RESISTANT PACKAGING OF HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS CONTAINING PETROLEUM DISTILLATES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 15 USC 1471 Poison Prevention Packaging Act

CFR Citation: 16 CFR 1700.14(a)

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Some household products containing ten percent or more by weight of petroleum distillates are subject to requirements for child-resistant packaging by regulations issued under the Poison Prevention Packaging Act and codified at 16 CFR 1700.14(a). These products include liquid furniture polish (section 1700.14(a)(2)), lighter fluid (section 1700.14(a)(7)), and prepackaged solvents for paint (section 1700.14(a)(15)). However, many other household products containing petroleum distillates are not required to be in child-resistant packaging. On February 26, 1997, the Commission published an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) to initiate a proceeding which may result in mandatory requirements for child-resistant packaging of other household products containing petroleum distillates or other hydrocarbons. On April 28, 1997, the Commission extended the period for receipt of written comments on the ANPRM until July 11, 1997. In the Federal Register of July 21, 1997, the Commission reopened the comment period through September 1, 1997. The Commission will consider comments received in

response to the ANPRM before deciding whether to propose requirements for child-resistant packaging of additional household products containing petroleum distillates or other hydrocarbons.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	02/26/97	62 FR 8659
Extension of ANPRM Comment Period	04/28/97	62 FR 22897
ANPRM Comment Period End	05/12/97	62 FR 8659
Comment Period End	07/11/97	62 FR 22897
Reopening of ANPRM Comment Period	07/21/97	62 FR 38948
Comment Period End	09/01/97	
Staff Sends Briefing Package to Commission	12/00/98	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 3041-AB57

4296. REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILD-RESISTANCE OF MULTI-PURPOSE LIGHTERS

Regulatory Plan: This entry is Seq. No. 167 in Part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

RIN: 3041-AB66

4297. AMENDMENT OF LAUNDERING PROCEDURES IN FLAMMABILITY STANDARDS FOR CHILDREN'S SLEEPWEAR, CARPETS AND RUGS, AND MATTRESS PADS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 15 USC 1191 Flammable Fabrics Act

CFR Citation: 16 CFR 1615; 16 CFR 1616; 16 CFR 1630; 16 CFR 1631; 16 CFR 1632

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Flammability standards for children's sleepwear, carpets and rugs, and mattress pads contain procedures for washing and drying specimens before testing to assure that flame retardants used in these products will not be removed by repeated laundering or cleaning. The laundering procedures in all of these standards currently require use of a detergent and washing methods that are no longer representative of those used for home laundering. The staff is preparing a briefing package concerning the laundering procedures in these standards and modifications that may be needed to assure that the effect of laundering on the flammability of the products covered by these standards is assessed with equipment and methods currently used by consumers. After consideration of the briefing package, the Commission will decide whether to begin proceedings for amendment of the standards to revise their laundering procedures.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Briefing Package to Commission	10/00/98	
Commission Decision	11/00/98	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 3041-AB69

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION (CPSC)

Final Rule Stage

4298. REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILD-RESISTANT PACKAGING OF MINOXIDIL

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 15 USC 1471 Poison Prevention Packaging Act

CFR Citation: 16 CFR 1700.14

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Regulations implementing the Poison Prevention Packaging Act (PPPA) require all prescription drugs in oral dosage form that are intended for human use to be in child-resistant packaging. Topical minoxidil is a liquid medication that can be applied to the scalp to stimulate regrowth of hair. However, if ingested, minoxidil is a potent vasodilator capable of producing serious cardiovascular effects. In 1996, the Food and Drug Administration acted to permit the sale of topical minoxidil as an over-the-counter drug, thereby expanding its potential availability to consumers. On March 17, 1998, the Commission published a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to require child-resistant packaging for minoxidil preparations containing more than 14 mg of minoxidil in a single package. The Commission will consider the comments in response to the NPRM before deciding whether to issue a final rule.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	03/17/98	63 FR 13019
NPRM Comment Period End	06/01/98	
Staff Sends Briefing Package to Commission	10/09/98	
Commission Decision	11/00/98	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 3041-AB72

4299. PETITION TO EXEMPT SUCRAID TM FROM SPECIAL PACKAGING REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE POISON PREVENTION PACKAGING ACT

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Unfunded Mandates: Undetermined

Legal Authority: 15 USC 1471 Poison Prevention Packaging Act

CFR Citation: 16 CFR 1700.14

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: Orphan Medical petitioned the Commission to exempt Sucraid TM, an oral solution of the enzyme sacrosidase, from special packaging requirements for oral prescription drugs under the Poison Prevention Packaging Act. Sucraid TM is an orphan drug that is the only available treatment for congenital sucrase-isomaltase deficiency. The Commission issued a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to exempt Sucraid TM on June 12, 1998. The staff will prepare a briefing package for consideration by the Commission after the comment period closes.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	06/12/98	63 FR 32159
NPRM Comment Period End	08/26/98	
Briefing Package to Commission	11/00/98	
Commission Decision	12/00/98	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 3041-AB73

4300. AMENDMENTS TO CLARIFY PORTIONS OF THE STANDARDS FOR THE FLAMMABILITY OF CHILDREN'S SLEEPWEAR

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Unfunded Mandates: Undetermined

Legal Authority: 15 USC 1191 Flammable Fabrics Act

CFR Citation: 16 CFR 1615; 16 CFR 1616

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Standards for the Flammability of Children's Sleepwear were amended September 9, 1996, to allow the marketing of certain sleepwear garments that do not meet the flammability test requirements. These garments, termed "tight-" or "snug-fitting" must not exceed maximum dimensions specified for each garment size. Several technical amendments are needed to clarify provisions of the standards, especially how the specified dimensions are to be measured on these garments. A Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) was published on May 21, 1998. In November the staff will provide the Commission with the review of comments on the NPRM and with a recommendation as to whether the Commission should proceed to publish a final rule.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	05/21/98	63 FR 27877
NPRM Comment Period End	08/04/98	
Briefing Package to Commission	11/00/98	
Commission Decision	12/00/98	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 3041-AB74

CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION (CPSC)

Long-Term Actions

4301. BABY WALKERS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 15 USC 1261 Federal Hazardous Substances Act; 15 USC 1262 Federal Hazardous Substances Act

CFR Citation: 16 CFR 1500

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: On August 2, 1994, the Commission published an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) to begin a proceeding that may result in the issuance of mandatory design or performance requirements for baby walkers. A baby walker is a device that supports a child so that the child can use his or her feet to move about before or while learning to walk. Typically, a baby walker consists of a fabric seat that has leg openings and is mounted to a rigid plastic deck. The deck is attached to a base that is mounted on wheels to allow mobility. In 1994, an estimated 25,500 children younger than 15 months of age were treated in hospital emergency rooms for injuries associated with baby walkers. Among the options under consideration by the Commission are mandatory performance or design requirements to reduce risks of injury associated with baby walkers, particularly those resulting to children from falls down stairs. The majority of these injuries resulted from falls down stairs. In response to the Commission's work in this area, the industry approved revisions to the voluntary standard for baby walkers in 1996 to address the hazard of falling down stairs. The staff is developing information concerning the extent of industry conformance with that voluntary standard, designated "Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Infant Walkers," SF 977-96, published by ASTM (formerly the American Society for Testing and Materials). The ASTM standard contains performance requirements to address risks of injury to children from falls down stairs associated with baby walkers. The staff will send that information to the Commission together with options for Commission action, including withdrawal of the ANPRM or further regulatory proceedings.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	08/02/94	59 FR 39309

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM Comment Period End	10/03/94	
Staff Sends Briefing Package to the Commission	00/00/00	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 3041-AB40

4302. AMENDMENT OF SAFETY REGULATIONS FOR CRIBS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 5 USC 553 Administrative Procedure Act; 15 USC 1261 Federal Hazardous Substances Act

CFR Citation: 16 CFR 1508; 16 CFR 1509

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: On December 16, 1996, the Commission published an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) to begin a proceeding that may result in amendment of the safety regulations for full-size and non-full-size cribs, 16 CFR parts 1508 and 1509. Among the regulatory alternatives under consideration is amendment of the regulations to add tests to assure that slats will not disengage from the side panels of cribs. The Commission began this proceeding after considering information about incidents in which crib slats disengaged from the side panels of cribs, creating a risk that children may become entrapped between the remaining slats or fall out of the crib. The Commission will consider written comments received in response to the ANPRM and assess progress toward amending the voluntary standard before deciding whether to continue the proceeding by publication of a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) or terminate further proceedings in reliance on the voluntary standard.

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	12/16/96	61 FR 65996

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM Comment Period End	02/14/97	
Staff Sends Briefing Package To Commission	00/00/00	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined

Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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RIN: 3041-AB67

4303. REQUIREMENTS FOR BUNK BEDS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 15 USC 2051 Consumer Product Safety Act; 15 USC 1261 Federal Hazardous Substances Act

CFR Citation: Not yet determined

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: On January 22, 1998, the Commission published an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) to begin a proceeding for development of a standard to address risks of injury and death that may be associated with bunk beds constructed so that children can become entrapped in the beds' structure or become wedged between the bed and a wall. This ANPRM was issued after the staff briefed the Commission on the incident data, the adequacy of an existing ASTM voluntary standard, whether there is substantial compliance with that voluntary standard, and other matters. The Commission's staff will review comments received in response to the ANPRM, prepare additional information, and report to the Commission with its recommendation on whether to proceed with the rulemaking by publishing a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	01/22/98	63 FR 3280
ANPRM Comment Period End	04/07/98	
Staff Sends Briefing Package To Commission	00/00/00	

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Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: Undetermined
Government Levels Affected: Undetermined

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION (CPSC)

Completed Actions

4304. REQUIREMENTS FOR CHILD-RESISTANT PACKAGING; HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS AND ORAL PRESCRIPTION DRUGS WITH FLUORIDE

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant
CFR Citation: 16 CFR 1700.14

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Action	06/02/98	63 FR 29949
Final Action Effective	03/02/99	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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