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H. R. 604

To amend the Hazardous Substances Act to require safety labels for certain Internet-advertised toys and games.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 13, 2001

Mrs. THURMAN (for herself, Mr. STUPAK, and Mr. ENGLISH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Internet Toy Safety
5 Awareness Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. SAFETY WARNINGS FOR INTERNET-ADVERTISED**
7 **TOYS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 24 of the Federal Haz-
9 ardous Substances Act (15 U.S.C. 1278) is amended—

1 (1) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-
2 section (e); and

3 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
4 lowing new subsection:

5 “(d) WARNINGS FOR INTERNET-SOLD ITEMS.—A
6 business selling, or offering for sale, over the Internet a
7 new toy or game requiring a cautionary statement under
8 this section shall include, along with any description or
9 depiction of the toy or game being sold or offered for sale,
10 the cautionary statement that is required under this sec-
11 tion to accompany the product itself. The cautionary state-
12 ment required by this subsection shall be viewable by a
13 consumer without the need to access any Internet page
14 or link other than the page on which the description or
15 depiction of the toy or game appears. In this subsection,
16 the term ‘Internet’ has the meaning given such term in
17 section 1302(6) of the Children’s Online Privacy Protec-
18 tion Act of 1998 (15 U.S.C. 6501(6))”.

19 (b) REGULATIONS.—Not later than 120 days after
20 the date of enactment of this Act, the Consumer Product
21 Safety Commission shall promulgate regulations, under
22 section 553 of title 5, United States Code, for the imple-
23 mentation of the amendment made by subsection (a). Sub-
24 sections (f) through (i) of section 3 of the Federal Haz-
25 ardous Substances Act (15 U.S.C. 1262) shall not apply

1 with respect to the issuance of regulations under this sub-
2 section.

3 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
4 subsection (a) shall apply only to products sold or offered
5 for sale on or after the date on which the regulations
6 under subsection (c) take effect.

7 (d) TECHNICAL CORRECTION.—Section 24(e) of the
8 Federal Hazardous Substances Act (as redesignated by
9 subsection (a) of this Act) (15 U.S.C. 1262(e)) is amended
10 by striking “this subsection” and inserting “this section”.

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