

Public Law 90-602, October 18, 1968

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“Subpart 3 -- Electronic Product Radiation Control

“DECLARATION OF PURPOSE

“Sec. 354. The Congress hereby declares that the public health and safety must be protected from the dangers of electronic product radiation.”

SEC. 6. The Governor of Guam shall make an annual report to the Secretary of the Interior on the administration of this Act who shall then forward copies of such reports to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate.

Report, trans-
mittal to Con-
gress.

SEC. 7. The Comptroller General of the United States, or any of his duly authorized representatives, shall have access, for the purpose of audit and examination, to the books, documents, papers, and records of the agency, or agencies, of the government of Guam administering the plan that are pertinent to the funds received under this Act.

Auditing.

Approved October 17, 1968.

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[H. R. 10790]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

Radiation Con-
trol for Health and
Safety Act of 1968.

SHORT TITLE

SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the "Radiation Control for Health and Safety Act of 1968".

AMENDMENTS TO PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT

SEC. 2. Part F of title III of the Public Health Service Act is amended—

58 Stat. 703; 81
Stat. 536;
42 USC 262-263a.

(1) by striking out the heading for such part and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"PART F—LICENSING OF BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS AND CLINICAL LABORATORIES AND CONTROL OF RADIATION

"SUBPART 1—BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS";

(2) by inserting immediately above the section heading of section 353 the following:

"SUBPART 2—CLINICAL LABORATORIES"; and

(3) by adding at the end of such part F the following new subpart:

"SUBPART 3—ELECTRONIC PRODUCT RADIATION CONTROL

"DECLARATION OF PURPOSE

"SEC. 354. The Congress hereby declares that the public health and safety must be protected from the dangers of electronic product radia-

tion. Thus, it is the purpose of this subpart to provide for the establishment by the Secretary of an electronic product radiation control program which shall include the development and administration of performance standards to control the emission of electronic product radiation from electronic products and the undertaking by public and private organizations of research and investigation into the effects and control of such radiation emissions.

“DEFINITIONS

“SEC. 355. As used in this subpart—

“(1) the term ‘electronic product radiation’ means—

“(A) any ionizing or non-ionizing electromagnetic or particulate radiation, or

“(B) any sonic, infrasonic, or ultrasonic wave, which is emitted from an electronic product as the result of the operation of an electronic circuit in such product;

“(2) the term ‘electronic product’ means (A) any manufactured or assembled product which, when in operation, (i) contains or acts as part of an electronic circuit and (ii) emits (or in the absence of effective shielding or other controls would emit) electronic product radiation, or (B) any manufactured or assembled article which is intended for use as a component, part, or accessory of a product described in clause (A) and which when in operation emits (or in the absence of effective shielding or other controls would emit) such radiation;

“(3) the term ‘manufacturer’ means any person engaged in the business of manufacturing, assembling, or importing of electronic products;

“(4) the term ‘commerce’ means (A) commerce between any place in any State and any place outside thereof; and (B) commerce wholly within the District of Columbia; and

“(5) the term ‘State’ includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa.

“ELECTRONIC PRODUCT RADIATION CONTROL PROGRAM

“SEC. 356. (a) The Secretary shall establish and carry out an electronic product radiation control program designed to protect the public health and safety from electronic product radiation. As a part of such program, he shall—

“(1) pursuant to section 358, develop and administer performance standards for electronic products;

“(2) plan, conduct, coordinate, and support research, development, training, and operational activities to minimize the emissions of and the exposure of people to, unnecessary electronic product radiation;