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**Oversight Hearing on California's Furniture Flammability Standards  
& the Safety of Flame Retardant Chemicals  
June 26, 2012; 1:30 PM; California State Capitol; Room 444**

Opening comments

- Chair: Assemblymember Bob Wieckowski

Bureau of Electronic and Appliance Repair, Home Furnishings and Thermal Insulation (BEARHFTI)

- Tonya Blood, Chief

California Department of Public Health

- Michael Lipsett, MD, Chief of the Environmental Health Investigations Branch (EHIB)

Fire Science and Safety

- Donald Lucas, PhD, Staff Scientist, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory; Professional Research Scientist, School of Public Health and Affiliate, Energy & Resources Group, University of California, Berkeley

Industry Perspectives

- Jim Groulx, Product Engineer Manager, Allsteel, for the Business & Institutional Furniture Manufacturers Assoc.
- Joe Lang, representing Citizens for Fire Safety Institute
- Gordon Nelson, PhD, Professor of Chemistry, Florida Institute of Technology
- Ben Nielson, Owner & President of Cambridge of California, for the California Furniture Manufacturers Association
- Burt Grimes, Owner & President of Pacific West Furniture, for the California Furniture Manufacturers Association

Firefighter Health and Safety

- Bryan Frieders, Battalion Chief, San Gabriel Fire Department and Public Information Officer, the Firefighter Cancer Support Network
- Tony Stefani, President, San Francisco Firefighters Cancer Prevention Foundation
- Koy Wilson, Firefighter, Stockton Fire Department and 10th District Coordinator, International Association of Fire Fighters Burn Foundation

Public Health and Environmental Consequences of Flame Retardant Chemicals

- Ami Zota, ScD, MS, Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Program on Reproductive Health and the Environment, University of California at San Francisco
- Kim Harley, PhD, Adjunct Associate Professor School of Public Health, University of California, Berkeley
- Ana Mascareñas, Policy & Communications Director, Physicians for Social Responsibility, for Californians for Toxic-Free Fire Safety
- Andrew McGuire, Executive Director, the Trauma Foundation, for Californians for Toxic-Free Fire Safety

Public Comment