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(Brought in by the shadow Minister for Innovation, Madeleine Ruth Ogilvie MP)

A BILL FOR

An Act to prevent the manufacture, sale and distribution of rinse-off cosmetic products in the State of Tasmania that contain intentionally added plastic microbeads.

Be it enacted by Her Excellency the Governor of Tasmania, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and House of Assembly, in Parliament assembled, as follows:

1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Microbead Free Waters Act 2016.

2. Commencement

This Act commences on the day on which this Act receives the Royal Assent.

3. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the contrary intention appears -

Microbead means any solid plastic particle that is less than five millimetres in size and is intended to be used to exfoliate or cleanse the human body or any part thereof;

Rinse off cosmetic includes but is not limited to toothpaste;

4. Microbead Free Waters

The manufacture and introduction, or delivery for introduction into Tasmania, of rinse-off cosmetics containing intentionally introduced microbeads is prohibited.

5. Effective Dates

The prohibition commences 1 September 2016.

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6. Regulations

- (1) The Governor may make regulations as are contemplated by, or may be necessary or expedient for the purposes of this Act.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1) the regulations may make provisions of a saving or transitional nature.
- (3) The regulations may -
 - (a) be of general application or vary in their application according to prescribed factor, and
 - (b) provide that a matter or thing in respect of which regulations may be made is to be determined according to the discretion of the Minister or a specified person or body.

7. Repeal of Act

This Act is repealed on the three hundred and sixty fifth day from the day on which it commences.