

## Authorizing Statute for the Green Ribbon Science Panel

### Article 14. Green Chemistry

#### Chapter 6.5, Division 20, CA Health and Safety Code

Section 25254. (a) In implementing this article, the department shall establish a Green Ribbon Science Panel. The panel shall be composed of members whose expertise shall encompass all of the following disciplines:

- (1) Chemistry.
- (2) Chemical engineering.
- (3) Environmental law.
- (4) Toxicology.
- (5) Public policy.
- (6) Pollution prevention.
- (7) Cleaner production methods.
- (8) Environmental health.
- (9) Public health.
- (10) Risk analysis.
- (11) Materials science.
- (12) Nanotechnology.
- (13) Chemical synthesis.
- (14) Research.
- (15) Maternal and child health.

(b) The department shall appoint all members to the panel on or before July 1, 2009. The department shall appoint the members for staggered three-year terms, and may reappoint a member for additional terms, without limitation.

(c) The panel shall meet as often as the department deems necessary, with consideration of available resources, but not less than twice each year. The department shall provide for staff and administrative support to the panel.

(d) The panel meetings shall be open to the public and are subject to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code).

Section 25255. The panel may take any of the following actions:

(a) Advise the department and the council\* on scientific and technical matters in support of the goals of this article of significantly reducing adverse health and environmental impacts of chemicals used in commerce, as well as the overall costs of those impacts to the state's society, by encouraging the redesign of consumer products, manufacturing processes, and approaches.

(b) Assist the department in developing green chemistry and chemicals policy recommendations and implementation strategies and details, and ensure these recommendations are based on a strong scientific foundation.

(c) Advise the department and make recommendations for chemicals the panel views as priorities for which hazard traits and toxicological end-point data should be collected.

(d) Advise the department in the adoption of regulations required by this article.

(e) Advise the department on any other pertinent matter in implementing this article, as determined by the department.

\* council is referring to Environmental Policy Council and is only mentioned in this article in reviewing the regulations and a multimedia lifecycle evaluation for the regulations to determine whether there is a significant adverse impact on public health or the environment.