

***Alaska Fire Chiefs Association***  
**Resolution**  
**2007- 07**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A BAN UPON THE SALE OF OR  
IMPORTATION OF PRODUCTS CONTAINING POLYBROMINATED  
BIPHENYLETERS FIRE RETARDANTS WITHIN THE STATE OF ALASKA.**

WHEREAS Alaska Fire Chiefs Association is an organization dedicated to public safety, and

WHEREAS polybrominated biphenylethers are used as a fire retardant in plastic products but can leach from those products and enter the environment and

WHEREAS high concentrations of polybrominated biphenylethers have been found in breast milk and fat cells of humans living in North America and

WHEREAS polybrominated biphenylethers have been linked with neurological development deficits and immunological impairments in children and

WHEREAS other fire retardants that are effective and less toxic are readily available for use in plastic products,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

The Alaska Fire Chiefs Association supports legislative efforts to ban polybrominated biphenylethers containing products from being imported to or sold within the State of Alaska.

Adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of December 2007 during the December teleconference.

Attested by:

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Douglas R. Schrage, Alaska Fire Chief's Association President