

Want to keep babies safe? Know the difference between the two bills on crib bumper pads ***Support HB 3761 (Morrison)***

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HB 3761 Supports the Safe Sleep Message: "Bare is Best"

HB 2653 (Delgado)



Under 2 inches thick? This Bumper Pad would be "Safe" under HB 2653.

What does the bill do?

HB 3761 bans the sale of all padded crib bumpers.

HB 2653 says bumpers have to meet the industry's own standard – most already do. This would allow bumpers up to 2 inches thick to remain on the market. We know babies have suffocated on those bumpers.

Why?

The American Academy of Pediatrics guidelines tell parents NOT to use bumper pads due to the risk of suffocation, strangulation and falls. Research has shown a link between crib bumper pads and dozens of infant deaths.

Not sure – no manufacturers in Illinois currently make bumpers. It has no impact on safety or the economy.

What compromises were made with opponents?

- Manufacturers and retailers have until 2018 to comply with HB 3761 giving them time to switch product lines.
- An alternative to padded crib bumpers, such as mesh liners, are not banned.

None. While this idea was floated as a compromise for HB 3761, it actually takes Illinois a step backwards – giving parents a false assurance of safety.

Has any other state or entity taken this action?

Padded bumper pads are banned for sale in Chicago, Maryland and banned for use in most states in child care, including Illinois.

No – Maryland and Chicago both considered this standard and found it fell short of providing safety. The AAP and consumer groups all opposed it at the time of adoption.

Who Supports the bills?

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Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan
Sudden Infant Death Services (SIDS) of Illinois, Inc.
Kids In Danger
Illinois Action for Children
Illinois Association for the Education of Young Children
Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
EverThrive Illinois, (Formerly Illinois Maternal & Child Health Coalition)
March of Dimes
Illinois PIRG (Public Interest Research Group)
Pathways
Injury Prevention & Research Center at Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago
Shane's Foundation
Cribs for Kids
SafeKids
The Ounce of Prevention Fund
Mom+Baby
Sergeant Shriver Center on Poverty Law
Metropolitan Family Services
Fight Crime: Invest in Kids
Voices for Illinois Children
Children's Home and Aid
Latino Policy Forum
SEIU Health Care Illinois Indiana

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Juvenile Products Manufacturers Association (JMPA)
Illinois Manufacturer's Association (IMA)

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