



Toxic Use Reduction Act Program Boards

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TURA Program Structure

**Administrative Council on
Toxics Use Reduction**

*6 ex-officio government
officials*

Advisory Committee

15 member multi-stakeholder

TURA Operations Divisions

**Office of Technical
Assistance and
Technology**

**Department of
Environmental
Protection**

**Toxics Use Reduction
Institute**

**Science Advisory
Board**

11 member scientific

Science Advisory Board (SAB)

- ✦ Created to work with the Institute
- ✦ Considers petitions to add or delete chemicals from the TURA chemical list
- ✦ Makes recommendations providing scientific or technical advice on TURA-related issues

SAB Membership

☀️ Consists of 11 members appointed by the Governor. Three-year terms, and two consecutive terms, limit.

- TURI nominates 3-members
- Secretary of EEA 3-members
- Secretary of Economic Affairs 3-members
- Secretary of Labor 1-member
- Secretary of Human Services 1-member

SAB Membership (con't)

- ✦ Must have extensive professional experience and/or academic expertise
 - ✦ Toxicology
 - ✦ Epidemiology
 - ✦ Occupational medicine
 - ✦ Environmental science or chemistry

SAB Members

- ★ David Williams, Chair, DPH
- ★ Larry Boise, Vice Chair, Consultant
- ★ Anne Marie Desmarais, Tufts University
- ★ Chris Swartz, The Stockholm Institute
- ★ Igor Linkov, InterTox
- ★ Hilary Eustace, DOS
- ★ Veronica Vieira, BU School of Public Health

SAB Activity - Amendments of 2006

- ★ Recommended 11 substances be considered for Higher Hazard Substance designation
- ★ Recommended at least 13 substances be considered for Lower Hazard Substance designation
- ★ CERCLA chemical review 600+

Advisory Committee

- ✦ Advises the Administrative Council on issues pertaining to toxic use reduction
- ✦ Recommends specific course of action on chemical policy
- ✦ Provides direction and feedback on TURA program priorities

Advisory Committee Membership

★ 15 member multi-stakeholder

- ★ Attorney General
- ★ Organized labor
- ★ Business
- ★ Small business
- ★ Statewide environmental organization
- ★ TURP's
- ★ Health policy advocacy
- ★ General public

Advisory Committee Members

- ✦ Andrew Goldberg, Attorney General
- ✦ Lee Ketelsen, Clean Water Action
- ✦ Stephen Gauthier, IUE/CWA Local 103
- ✦ Tolle Graham, MassCOSH
- ✦ Edward Gomes, Vicor
- ✦ Robert Pliskin, Bradford Industries
- ✦ Robert Napolitano, Astro Chemicals

Committee Members (con't)

- ✦ Gary Nedelman, AlphaGary
- ✦ Lucy Servidio, Capaccio Engineering
- ✦ Carolyn Fiore, MWRA
- ✦ Samuel Lipson, City of Cambridge
- ✦ Mark Rossi, Clean Production Action
- ✦ William Judd, Industrial Compliance
- ✦ Sarah Little, NOFA

Committee Activity - Amendments of 2006

- ★ CERCLA chemical evaluation – guidelines for chemical retention
- ★ Evaluation of user segments – considerations for priority designation
- ★ Evaluation of TURA fee structure
- ★ Direction and feedback on TURA program priorities, including chemical prioritization

Administrative Council

- Ensures consistency and coordination of state toxics policy and the enforcement of laws and regulations intended to:
 - Reduce toxics use and waste generation
 - Protect the environment
 - Promote worker safety
 - Safeguard public health

Administrative Council Members

- ✦ 6 ex-officio government officials

- ✦ Philip Griffiths, Chair, EEA
- ✦ James Colman, DEP
- ✦ Suzanne Condon, DPH
- ✦ Laura Marlin, DOS
- ✦ Kevin Partridge, Office of Fire Marshall
- ✦ Adam Forkner, HED

Council Activity - Amendments of 2006

- ✱ Designation of 4 chemicals as Higher Hazard Substances (HHS)
- ✱ Designation of 9 chemicals as Lower Hazard Substances (LHS)
- ✱ Listed n-Propyl Bromide (nPB)
- ✱ Progress Report and policy recommendations to the Governor
- ✱ CERCLA list chemical review and decisions for chemical retention

Future Council Activity -

Amendments of 2006

- ✱ Work with business to promote opportunities to:
 - ✱ Improve regulatory compliance
 - ✱ Increase TUR & reduce consumption of material resources
 - ✱ Enhance workplace health & safety
 - ✱ Promote competitive business advantage
- ✱ Designate additional HHS and LHS
- ✱ Evaluate user segments
- ✱ Designate priority user segments