

The Honorable Connie Leyva
California State Senate, 20th District
California State Capitol, Room 4061
Sacramento, CA 95814

July 22, 2020

RE: SB 312 (Leyva) Cosmetic Fragrance and Flavor Ingredient Right to Know Act of 2020

Dear Senator Leyva,

On behalf of the California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC), we are pleased to **SUPPORT SB 312**, which would require manufacturers to fully disclose hazardous ingredients in fragrances and flavors used in cosmetics and personal care products sold in California.

Currently, no state or federal law requires the disclosure of fragrance or flavor ingredients to consumers or regulatory agencies. This loophole allows dozens – sometimes even hundreds – of chemicals to hide under the word “fragrance” on the labels of beauty and personal care products with little regulatory oversight of the safety of those ingredients. The use of fragrance in consumer products is pervasive and almost impossible to avoid. Fragrance chemicals are found in more than 95% of shampoos, conditioners, hair styling products, antiperspirants, and shaving products, as well as fine fragrances, body sprays, and lotions. The same loophole exists for flavorants, which are appearing more frequently in flavored lip gloss and lip balms, which can be marketed to children. All Californians are at risk of exposure to secret hazardous fragrance and flavor chemicals and related harmful chronic health concerns, particularly vulnerable populations such as children, communities of color, and pregnant women. Disclosure of toxic fragrance ingredients would give Californians the power to select safer products.

For the reasons listed above and more, we are pleased to **SUPPORT** your **SB 312**. Thank you for authoring this important measure.

Sincerely,

Respectfully,



Doug Kobold, Executive Director
California Product Stewardship Council