

SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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LEGISLATOR STEVE STERN'S "SAFER SALES SLIP" ACT TO BE SIGNED INTO LAW

Legislation prohibits use of thermal receipt paper containing BPA

HUNTINGTON, NY—Suffolk County Legislator Steve Stern's legislation to protect Suffolk County residents from exposure to the chemical Bisphenol-A (BPA), contained in thermal paper cash register receipts, will be signed into law by Suffolk County Executive Steve Bellone on Thursday, January 3, 2013.

The "Safer Sales Slip Act," which was approved by the Legislature in December, will remove one of the most common sources of exposure to BPA, thermal paper receipts, which use BPA to "develop" the print. BPA is absorbed through the skin and through hand to mouth contact, and has been linked to cancers of the breast and prostate, endocrine disorders, learning disabilities, obesity and diabetes and is detectable in more than 93% of the population.

Legislator Stern will be joined by public health and environmental advocates to introduce this important public health initiative.

WHO: County Executive Steve Bellone
Legislator Steve Stern (D-Huntington)
Karen Miller, Director, Huntington Breast Cancer Action Coalition
Elsa Ford, Director, Brentwood/Bay Shore Breast Cancer Coalition
Shelby Poole, Owner, Jackson's Restaurant, Commack

WHERE: Jackson's Restaurant - a local business that has committed to using BPA-free cash register receipts to protect public health
6005 Jericho Turnpike
Commack, NY 11725

WHEN: Thursday, January 3, 2013

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