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1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to public safety; banning the sale or use of a specific chemical compound

1.3 used in tear gas; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.731, subdivision

1.4 1; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 116.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. [116.382] ORTHOCHLOROBENZALMALONONITRILE; BAN.

1.7 (a) Notwithstanding section 624.731, subdivision 6, a person may not offer for sale, sell,

1.8 purchase, use, or manufacture orthochlorobenzalmalononitrile or any product containing

1.9 orthochlorobenzalmalononitrile in this state.

1.10 (b) The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency must provide guidance on proper disposal

1.11 of existing supplies of orthochlorobenzalmalononitrile or of any products containing

1.12 orthochlorobenzalmalononitrile possessed by persons in this state.

1.13 (c) For the purposes of this section, "orthochlorobenzalmalononitrile" means a chemical

1.14 with the Chemical Abstract Services Registry Number 2698-41-1.

1.15 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective the day following final enactment.

1.16 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 624.731, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.17 Subdivision 1. **Definitions.** For the purposes of this section:

1.18 (1) "authorized tear gas compound" means a lachrymator or any substance composed

1.19 of a mixture of a lachrymator including chloroacetophenone, alpha-chloroacetophenone,²

1.20 phenylchloromethylketone, ~~orthochlorobenzalmalononitrile~~ or oleoresin capsicum, commonly

1.21 known as tear gas; and

2.1 (2) "electronic incapacitation device" means a portable device which is designed or
2.2 intended by the manufacturer to be used, offensively or defensively, to temporarily
2.3 immobilize or incapacitate persons by means of electric pulse or current, including devices
2.4 operating by means of carbon dioxide propellant. "Electronic incapacitation device" does
2.5 not include cattle prods, electric fences, or other electric devices when used in agricultural,
2.6 animal husbandry, or food production activities.

2.7 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.