

Cherokee Nation Code Annotated
Title 27: Environmental Quality
Chapter 7: Toxic and Hazardous Substance Control
§ 701. Findings, policy and intent
Cite as: 27 CNCA § 701

A. Findings. Cherokee Nation finds that:

1. Human beings and the environment are being exposed each year to a large number of chemical substances and mixtures;
2. Among the many chemical substances and mixtures which are constantly being developed and produced, there are some whose manufacture, processing, distribution, use, or disposal may present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment.

B. Policy. It is the policy of Cherokee Nation that:

1. Data developed under federal programs with respect to the effect of chemical substances and mixtures on health and the environment should be used to protect human beings within Cherokee Nation;
2. Adequate authority should exist to regulate chemical substances and mixtures which present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment, and to take action with respect to chemical substances and mixtures which are imminent hazards; and
3. Authority over chemical substances and mixtures should be exercised in such a manner as not to impede unduly or create unnecessary economic barriers to technological innovation while fulfilling the primary purpose of this section to assure that such innovation and commerce in such chemical substances and mixtures do not present an unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment within Cherokee Nation.

C. Intent of Cherokee Nation. It is the intent of Cherokee Nation that the CN EPC shall carry out this chapter in a reasonable and prudent manner, and that the CN EPC shall consider the environmental, economic, and social impact on the Nation of any action the CN EPC takes or proposes to take under this chapter.

Historical Data

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