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As a voice in my community, I have concerns about how this new policy proposal could impact families.

In 2021 alone, there were nearly 10,000 house fires in Washington. Moreover, in 2021 the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission recalled over 6.2 million units due to fire and shock hazards. This policy removes a key tool in helping slow the spread of flames: flame retardants.

These critical materials should not be removed from products. The proposal could make the products we use everyday less safe, while also disrupting the supply chain in our state, potentially impacting product availability.

Please put Washington families first and not move forward with this policy proposal.