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## ***Advocacy Suggests that the Consumer Product Safety Commission Food Take Small Bassinet and Cradle Manufacturers' Concerns into Consideration as it Finalizes the Safety Standards for the Industry***

On Jul 8, 2010, the Office of Advocacy (Advocacy) filed comments with the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) providing the agency with its Regulatory Flexibility Act suggestions and industry concerns about the potential economic impacts associated with finalizing the safety standards for children's bassinets and cradles. A copy of Advocacy's letter may be accessed at <http://www.sba.gov/advo/laws/comments>.

- On April 28, 2010, CPSC published the Safety Standards for Bassinets and cradles: Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (75 FR 22303) in the *Federal Register*. This rule adopted the industry's voluntary American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) standards and also mandated additional modification and testing regimens.
- On July 8, 2010, Advocacy filed comments with the CPSC suggesting various changes to the agency's Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis, especially as it related to the agency's limited cost data. Also, Advocacy brought to the Agency's attention various concerns industry had with the rule's potential to cause significant economic impact.
- Advocacy's comments were designed to encourage CPSC to take the affected crib and bassinet manufacturers' concerns into consideration as it continued to clarify and develop the requirements of the rule.

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