

PFAS Legislation: A 50-State Overview

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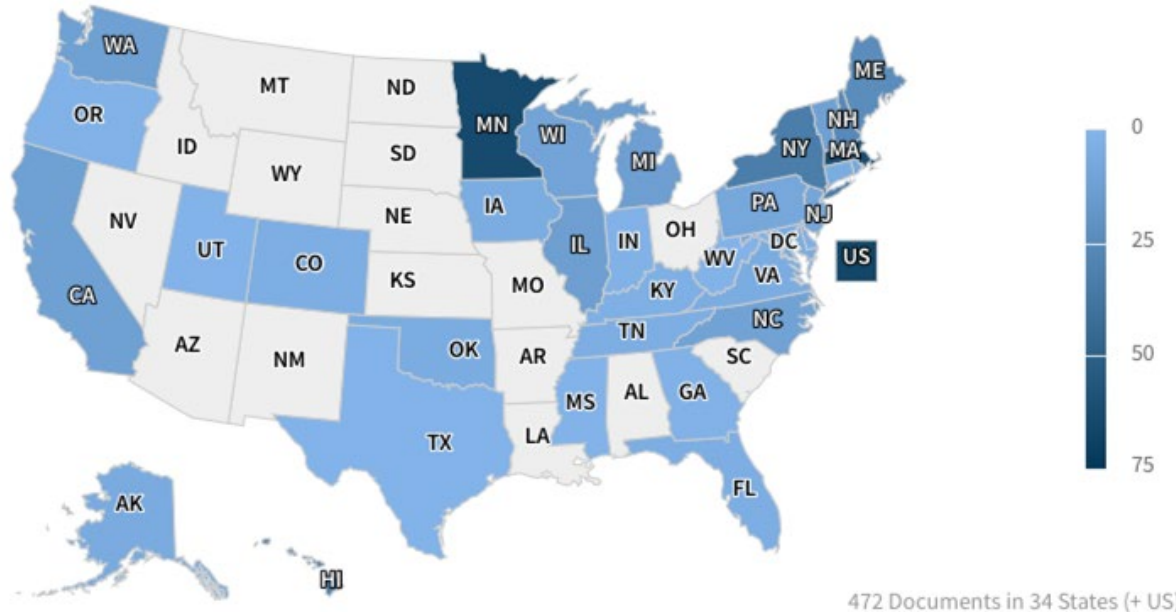
States Engaging with PFAS

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State lawmakers began regulating PFAS in the mid 2010s, focusing on PFAS in **water** and **military bases** (particularly **firefighting equipment**).

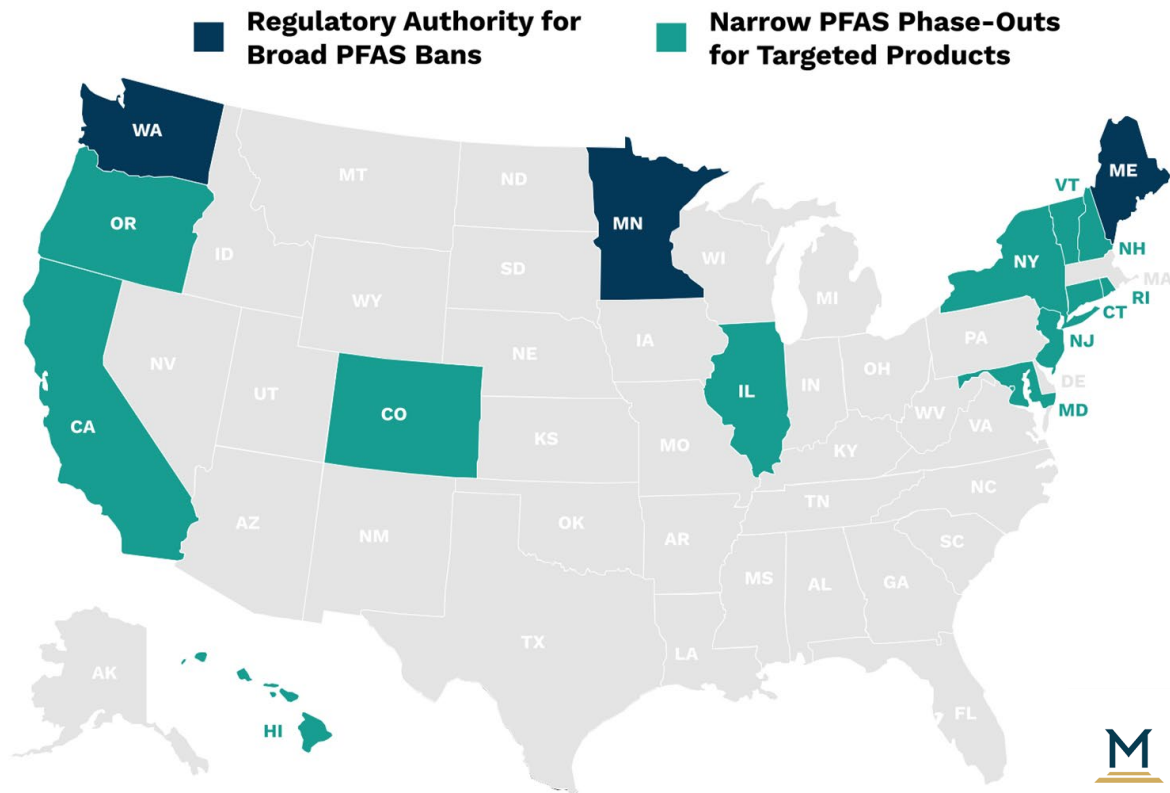
Today, much of the focus is on **consumer products** (starting around 2018-19). This phase has focused on

1. **reporting** requirements,
2. Phasing out PFAS in **certain product categories**, and
3. setting dates to ban **all** PFAS containing products.



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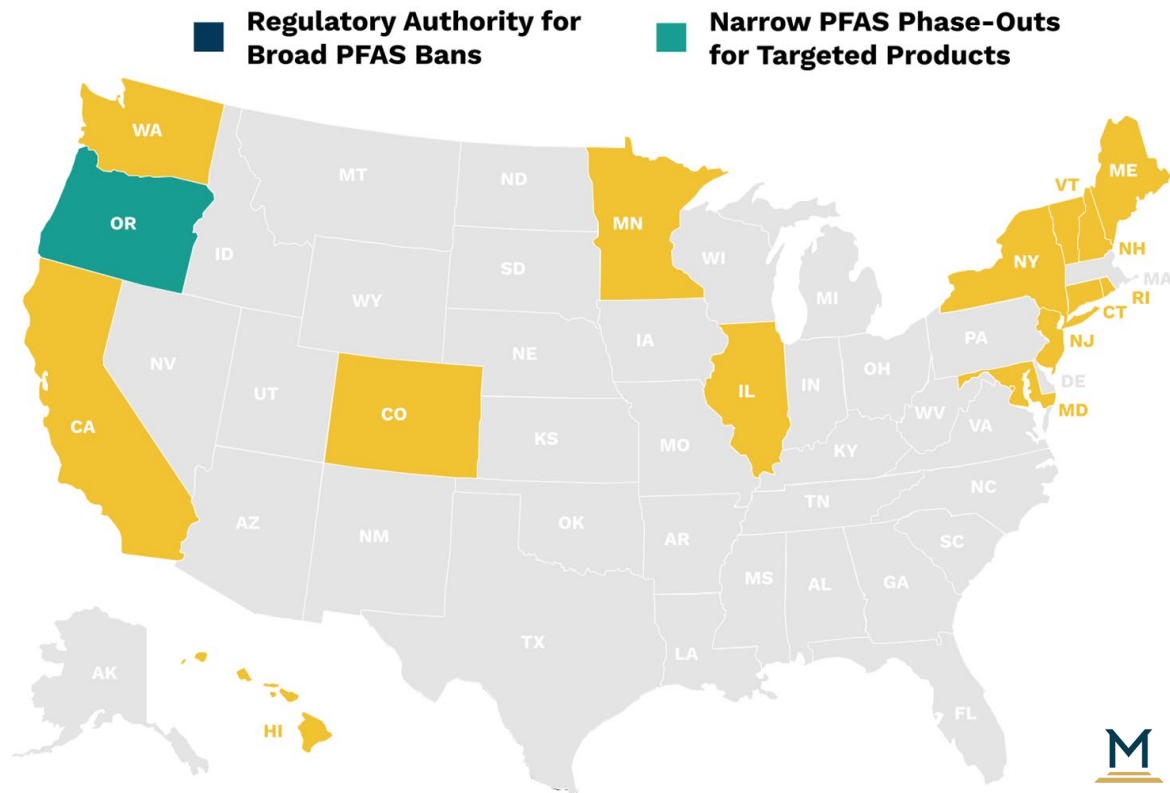


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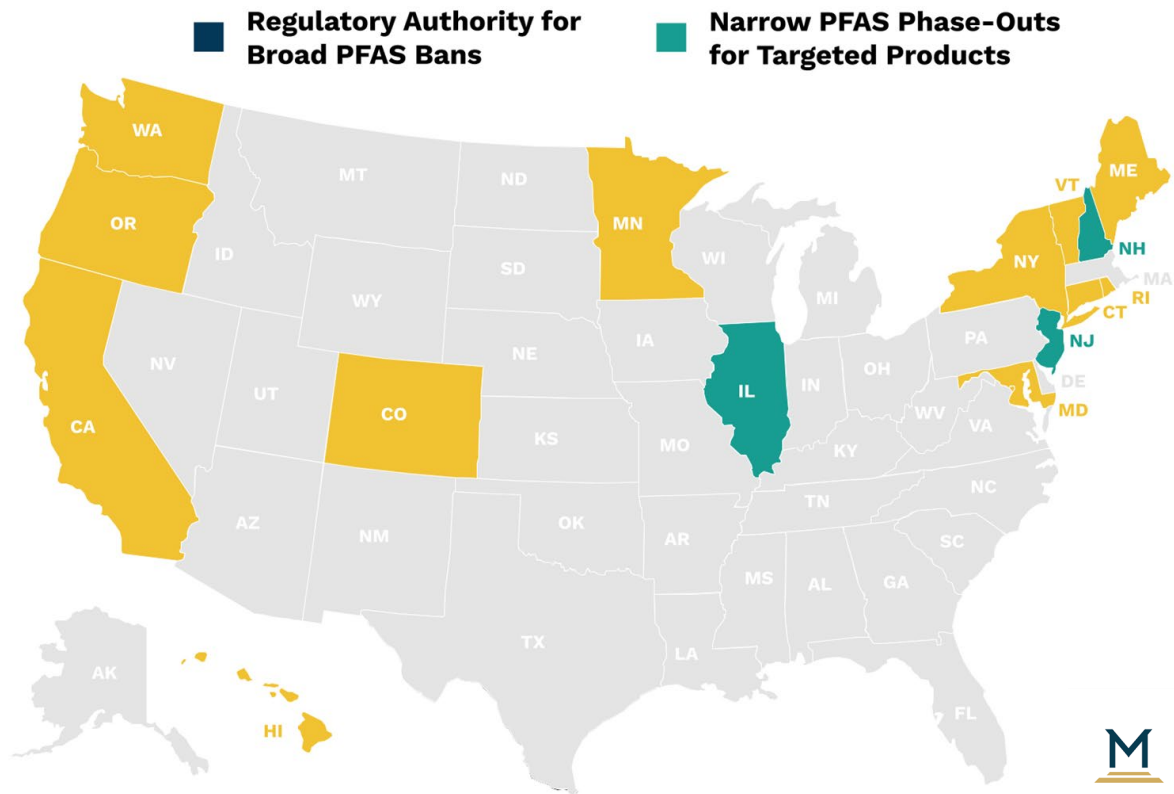


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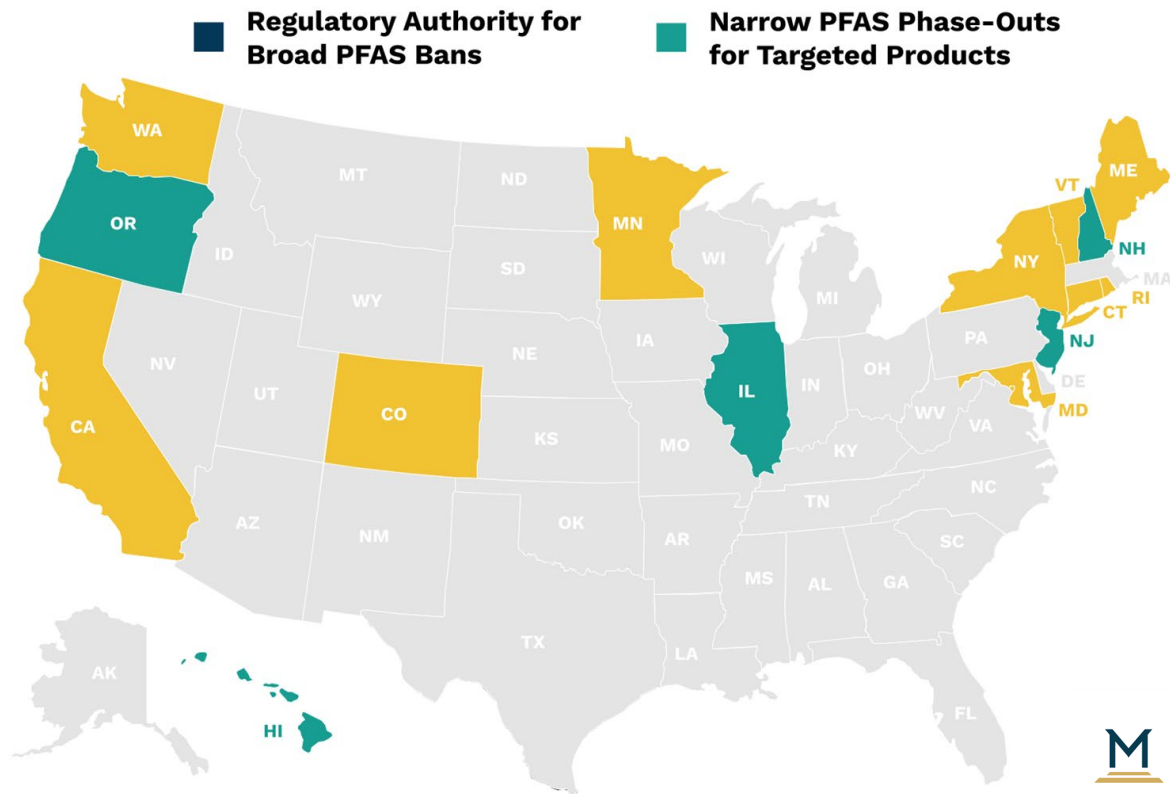


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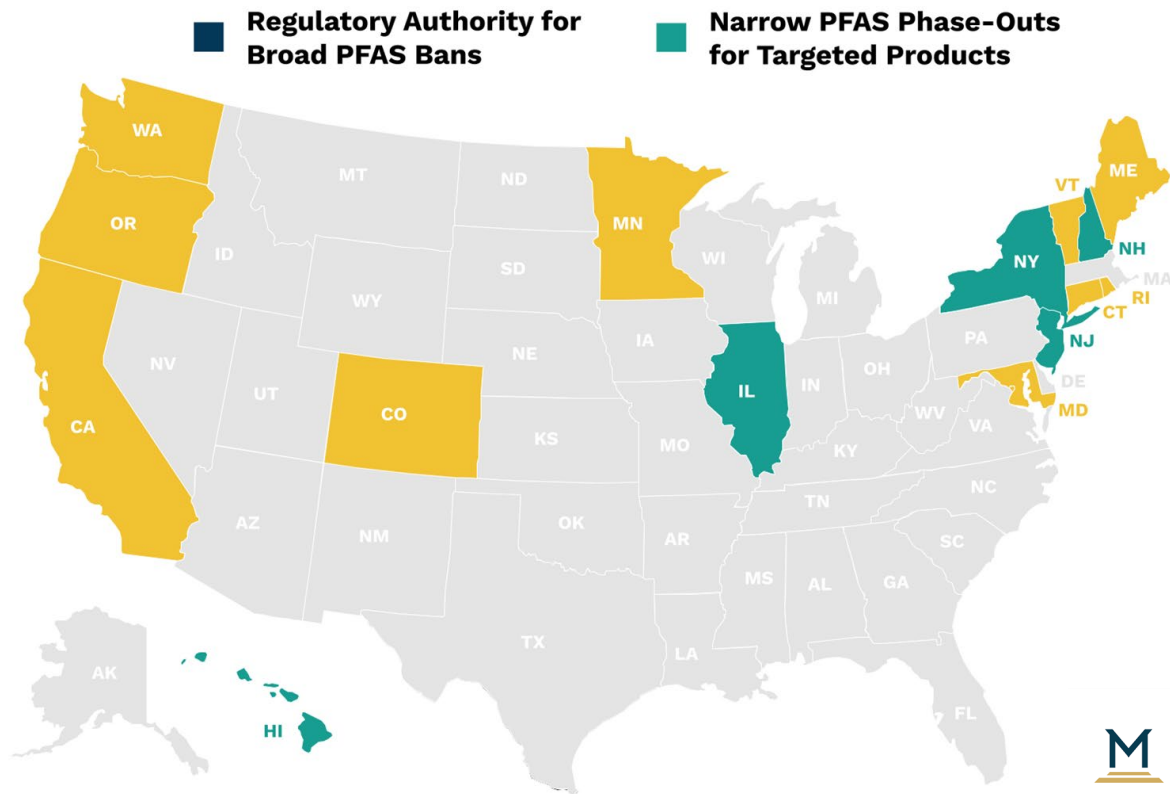


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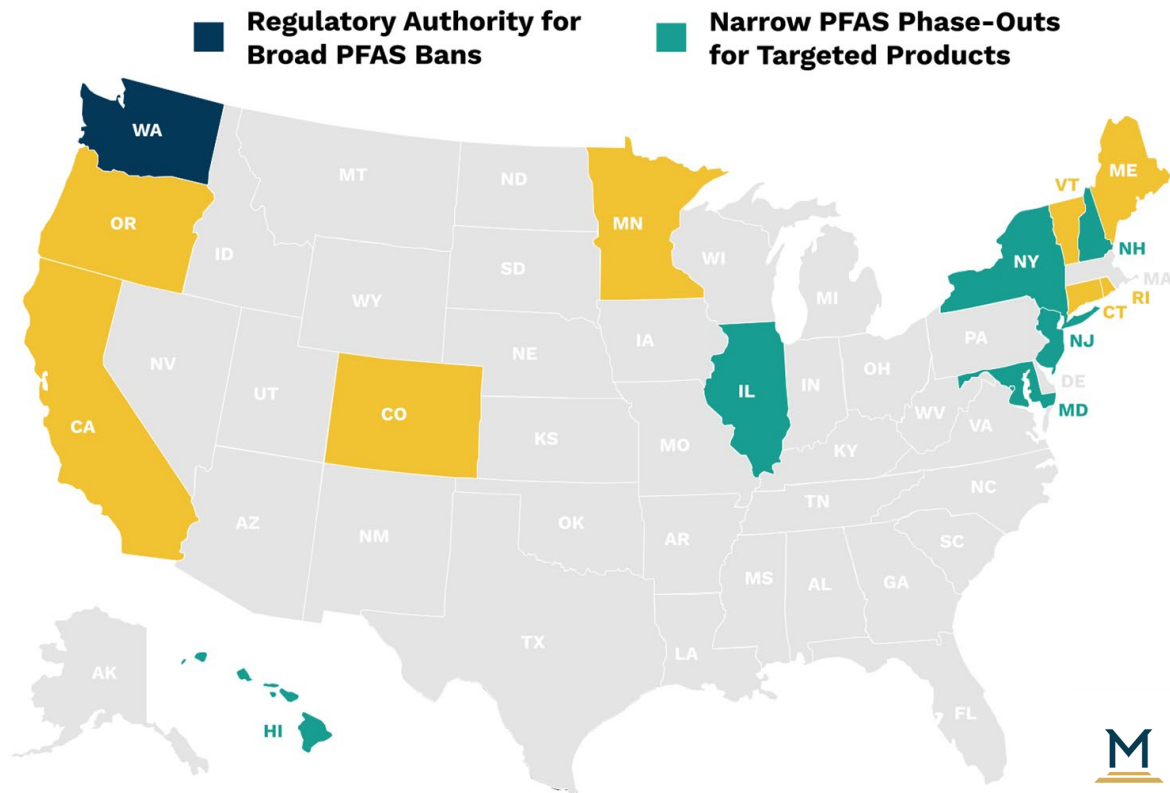


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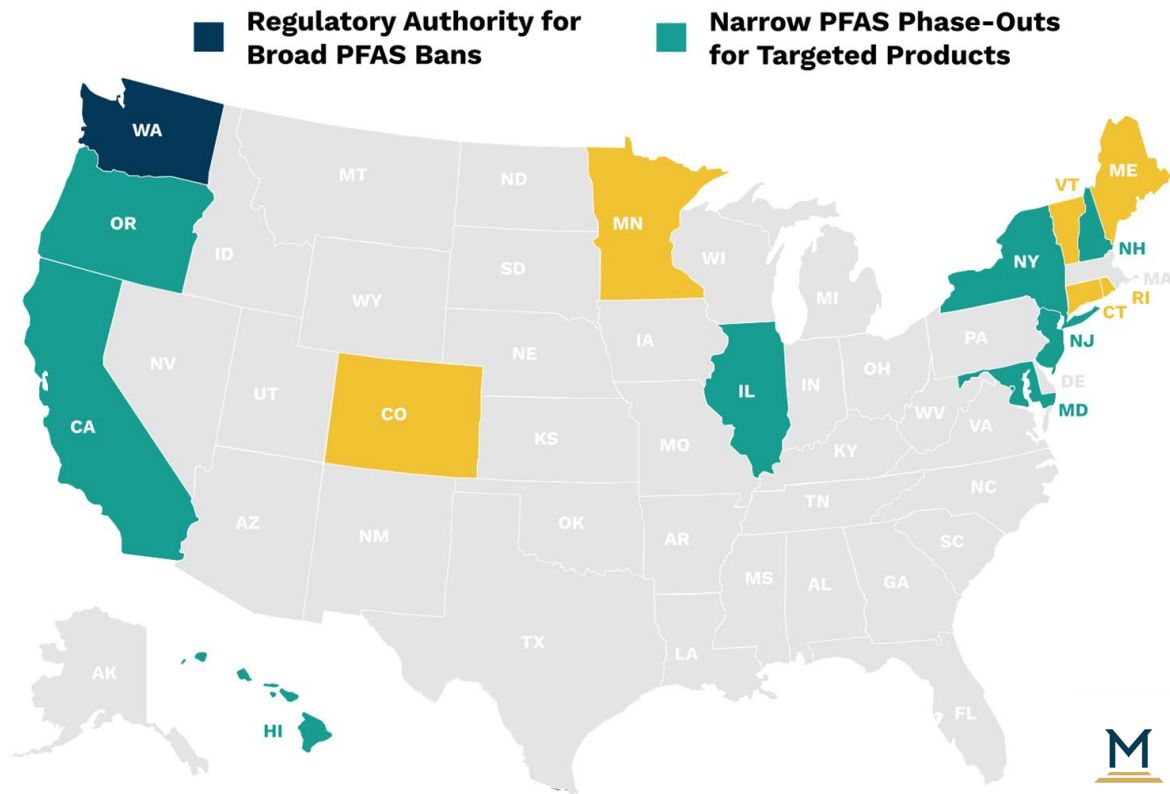


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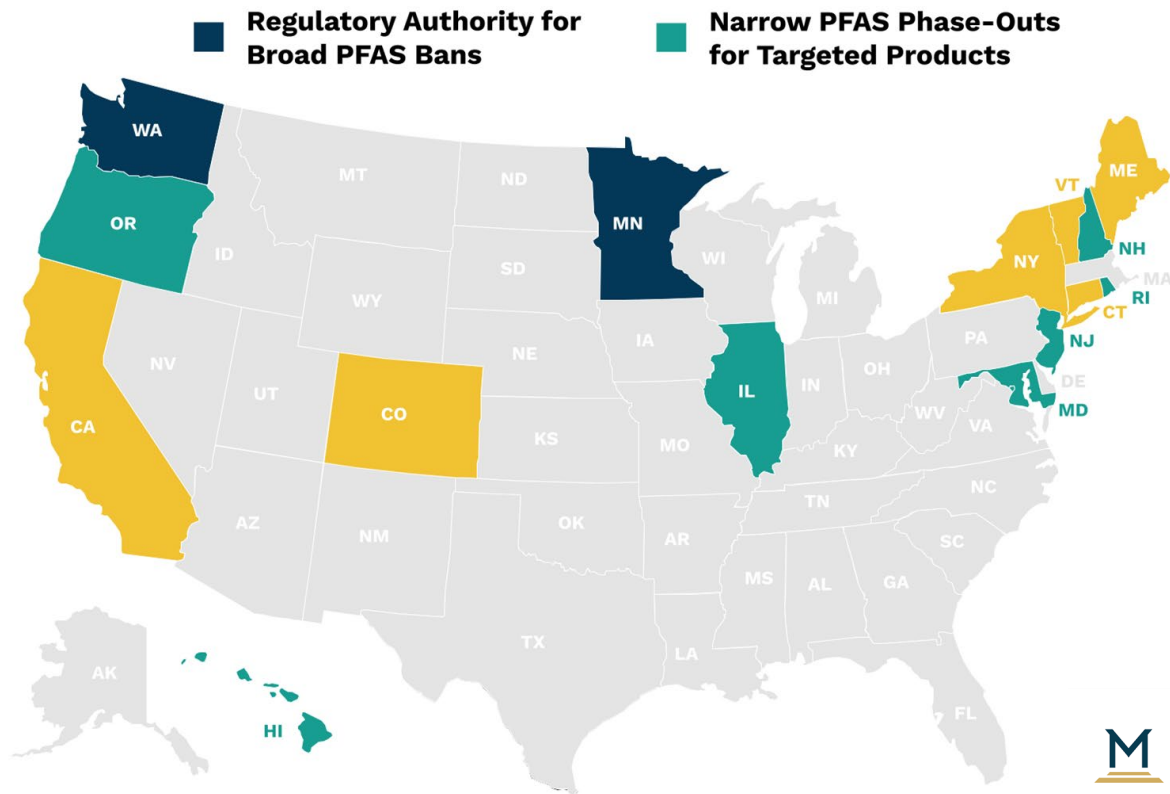


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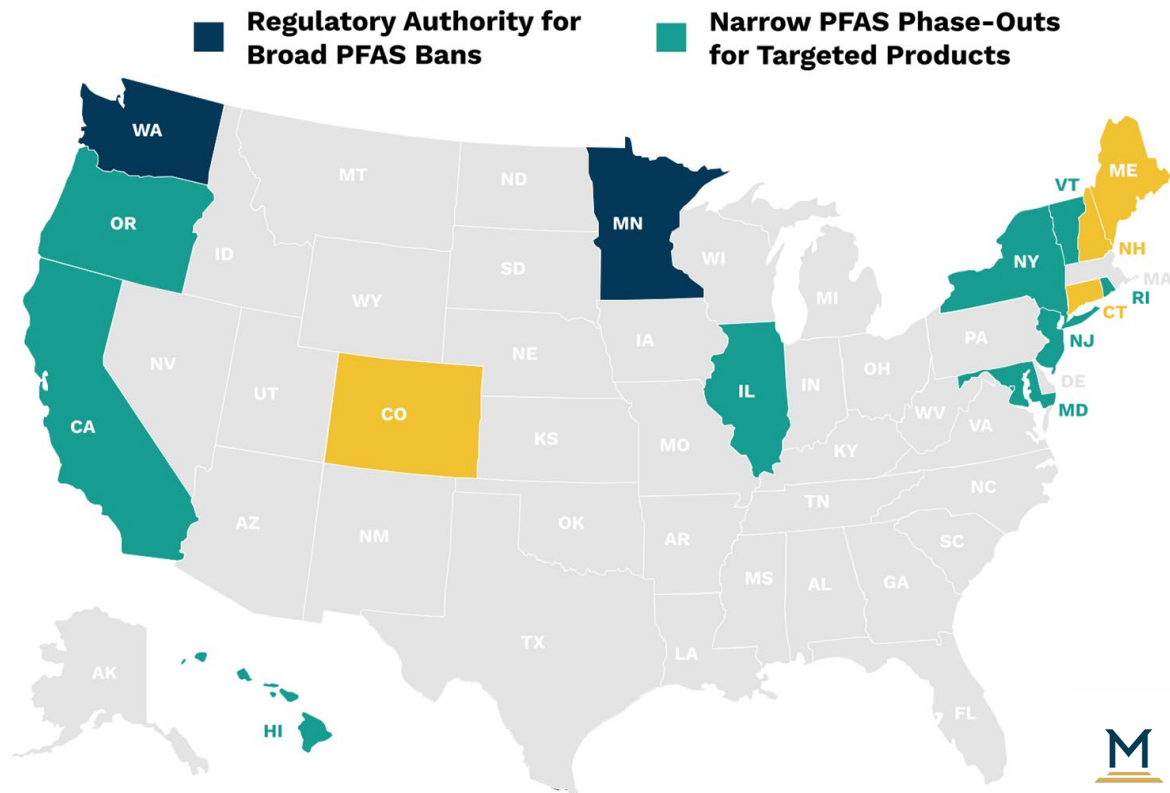


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- **Cleaning Products (4 states)**
- **Dental Floss (4 states)**

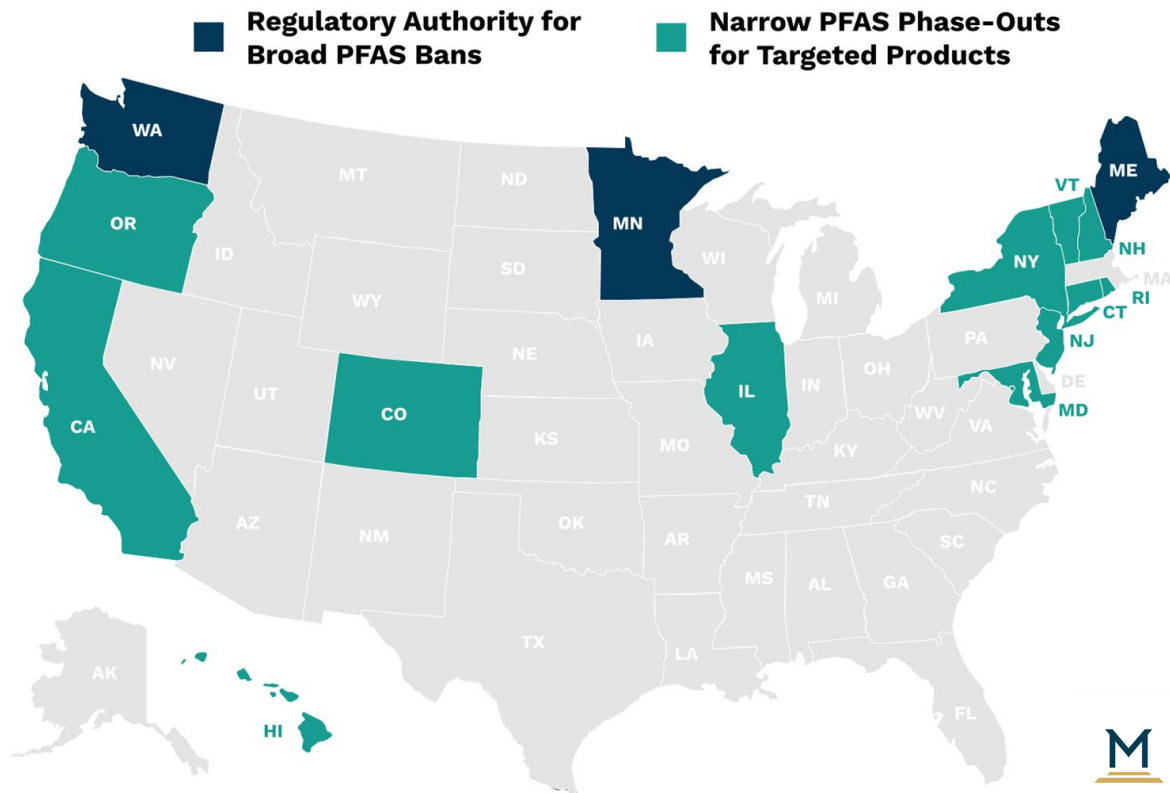


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Colorado enacted a bill (CO SB 81) banning PFAS in certain products:

- 2025: outdoor apparel used for severe wet weather;
- 2026: cookware, dental floss, menstrual products, cleaning products, and ski wax; prohibits the installation of artificial turf containing PFAS on state property;
- 2028: outdoor apparel for severe wet weather, all textile articles, food equipment used in commercial settings.

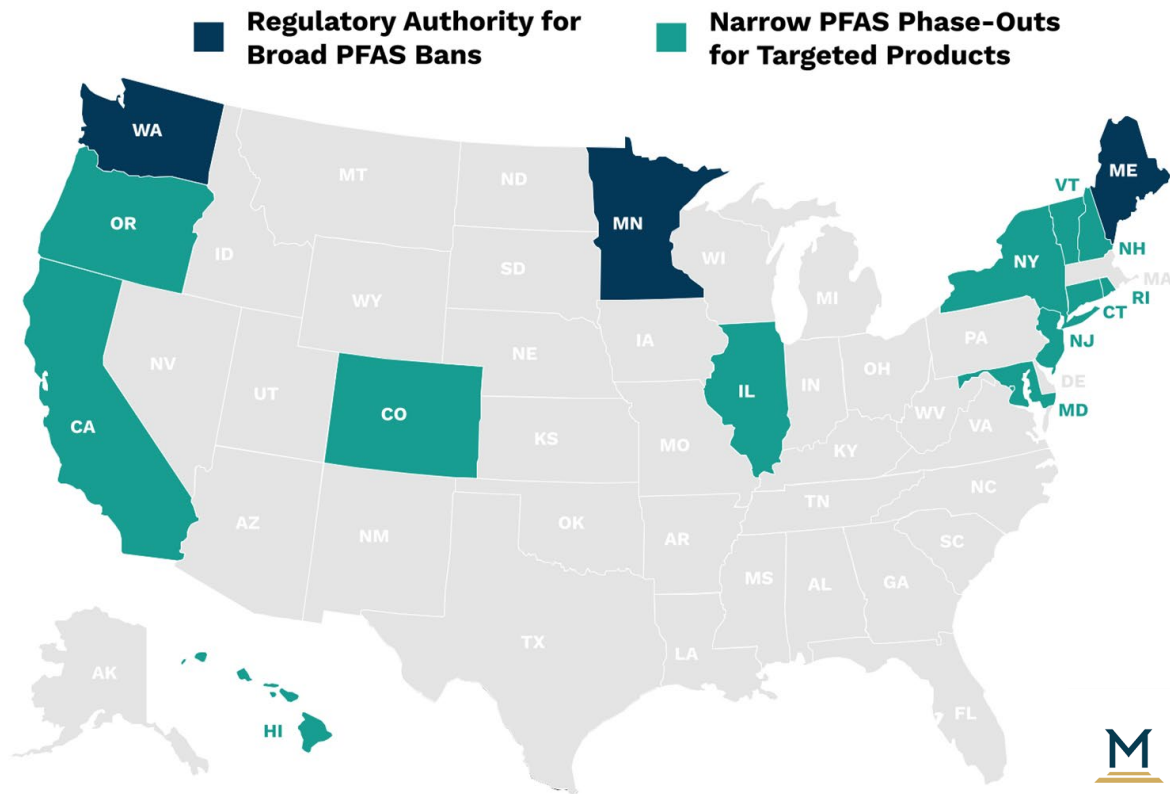


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Connecticut enacted a bill (CT SB 292) limiting PFAS in certain products:

- apparel, turnout gear, carpets or rugs, cleaning products, cookware, cosmetic products, dental floss, fabric treatments, children's products, menstrual products, textile furnishings, ski wax, upholstered furniture, and outdoor apparel for severe wet conditions.
- 2026: Reporting and labeling
- 2028: Bans the sale
- Governor notes lack of exception for "no reasonable alternatives."

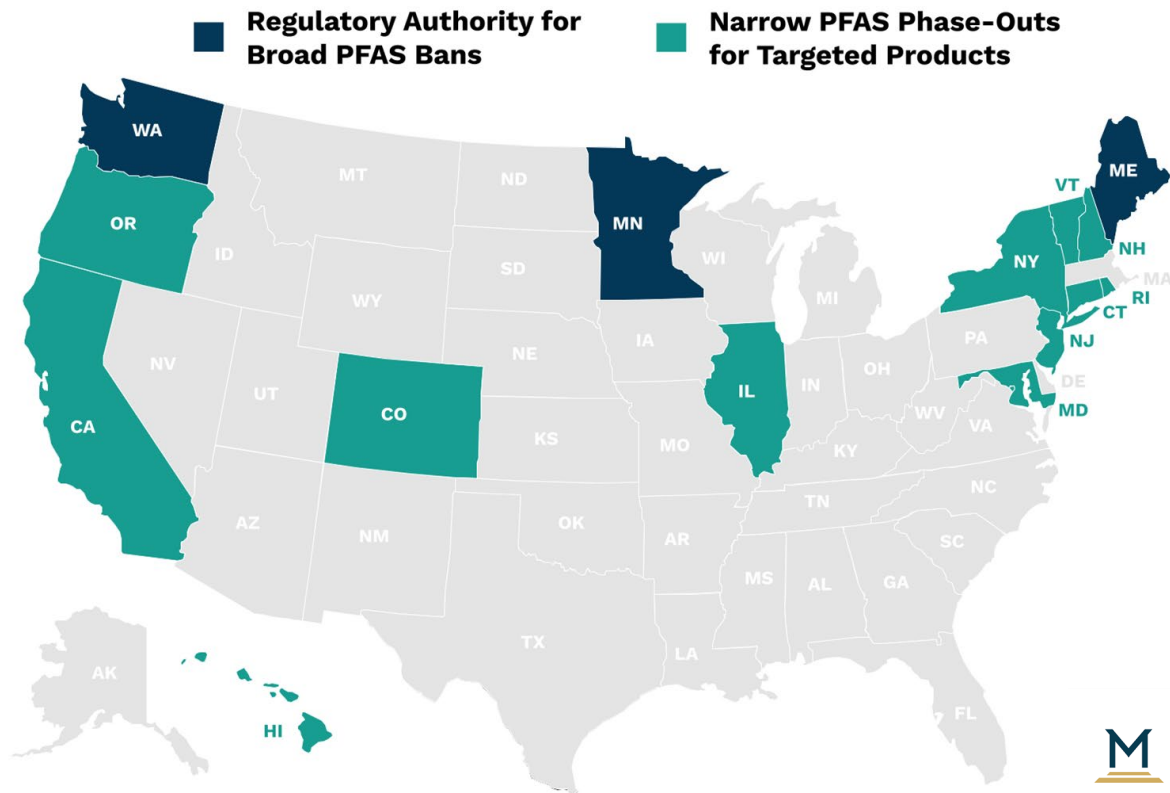


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Rhode Island enacted a bill (RI HB 7356) limiting PFAS in certain products:

- 2027: bans the sale of “covered products” with “intentionally added” PFAS: carpets or rugs, cookware, cosmetics, fabric treatments, juvenile products, menstrual products, ski wax, and textile articles
- Artificial turf and outdoor apparel for severe wet conditions must include a “Made with PFAS” label.

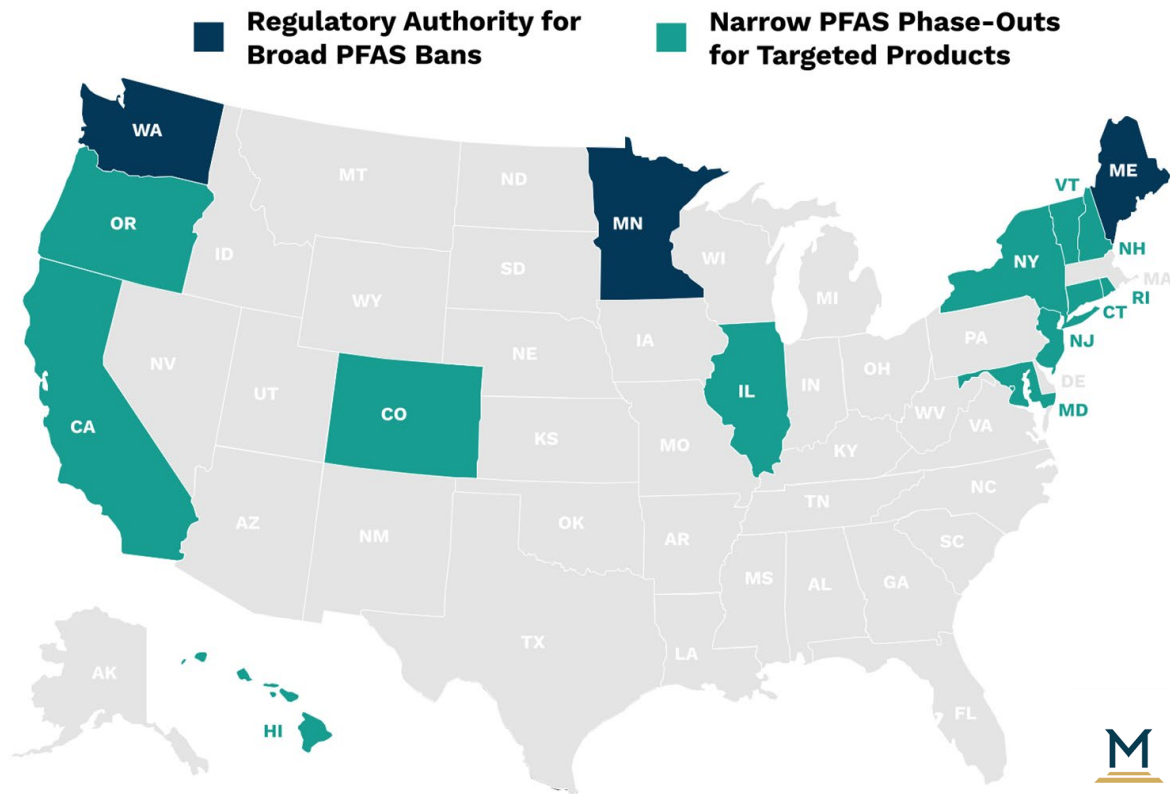


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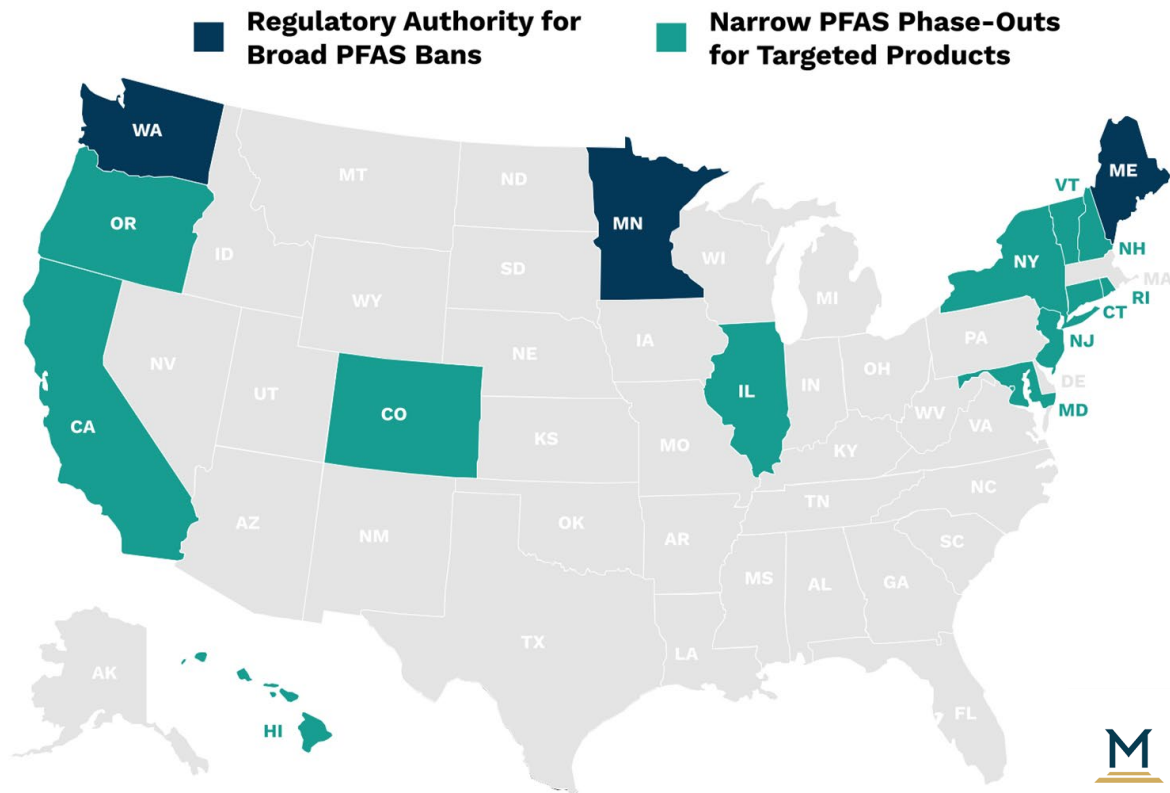
- 2026: diapers, cosmetic and menstrual products, textiles, cookware, and juvenile products
- 2028: artificial turf



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Maine enacted the Act to Stop PFAS Pollution in **2021**:

1. Bans the sale and distribution in the state of any product that contains “intentionally added” PFAS (originally by **2030**).
2. Requires “manufacturers” to submit notifications informing the state of products for sale that contain “intentionally” added PFAS (originally by **2023**)
- Much left up to regulators at DEP

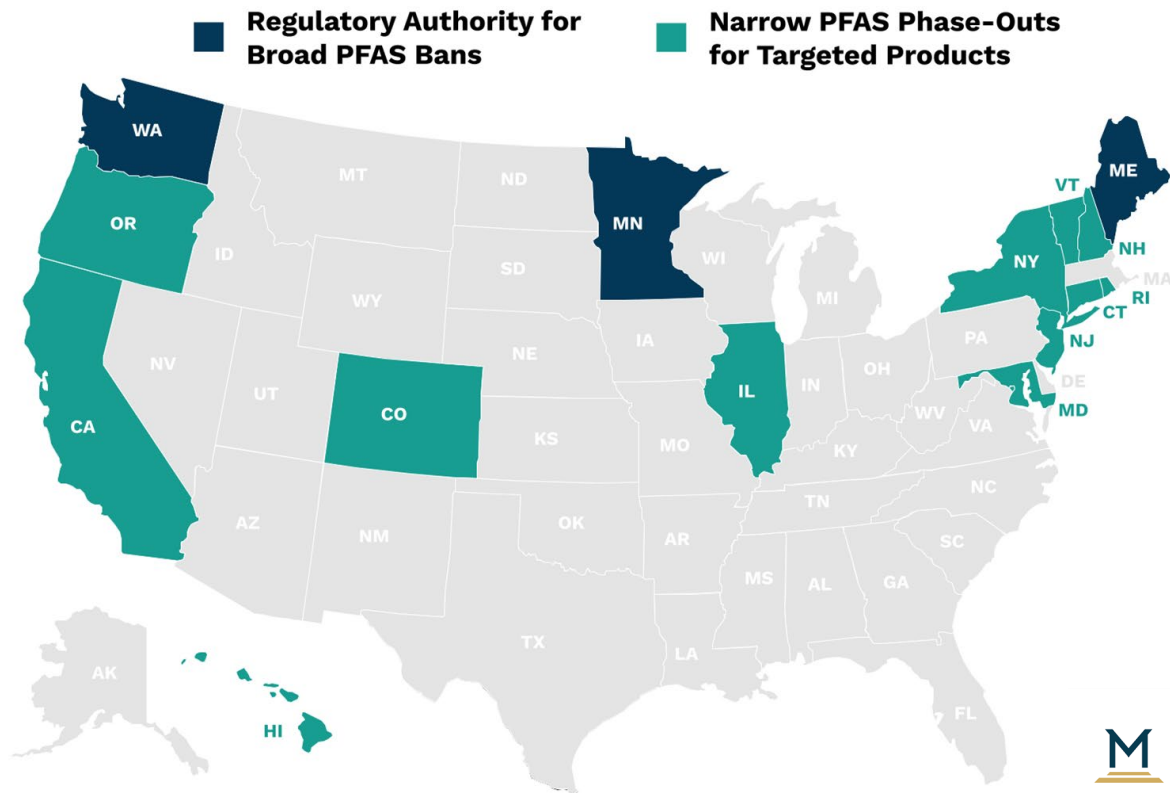


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Maine amended the Act to Stop PFAS Pollution in **2023** to extend the reporting deadline from 2023 to **2025** and to exempt small businesses.

Lawmakers amended the Act again in **2024** to delay and significantly narrow **reporting requirements**:

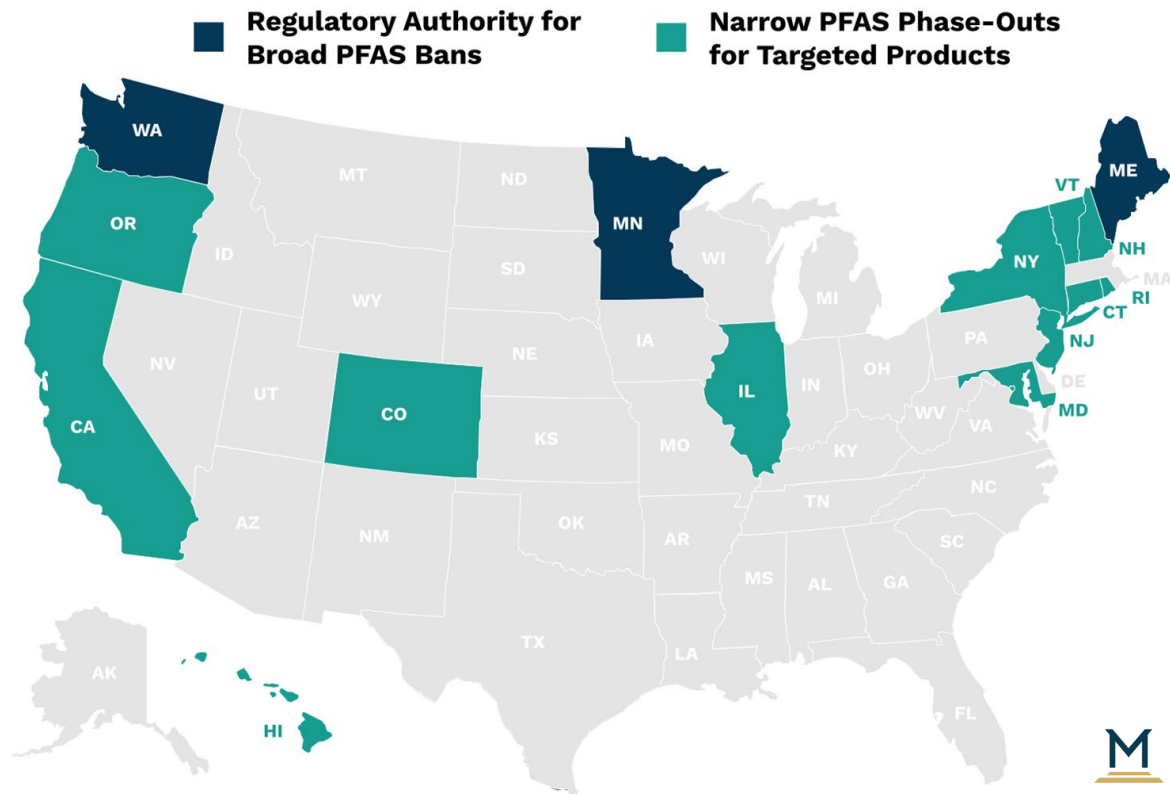
- Now only applies to products with “**unavoidable use**” determinations from DEP after a sales ban has taken effect.
- Reporting for other products containing “intentionally” added PFAS delayed until **2032** (from original 2023 deadline).



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Maine's 2024 amendments made significant changes to the Act's general ban on PFAS product sales:

- Delayed the general ban of PFAS product sales from 2030 to **2032**
- Identified certain products that are **exempt** from the sales ban.
- Added a scheduled phase out of certain PFAS products:
 - **2026**: cleaning products, cookware, cosmetics, dental floss, juvenile products, menstruation products, ski wax, upholstered furniture, most textiles
 - Additional products in **2029**, **2032**, and **2040**.

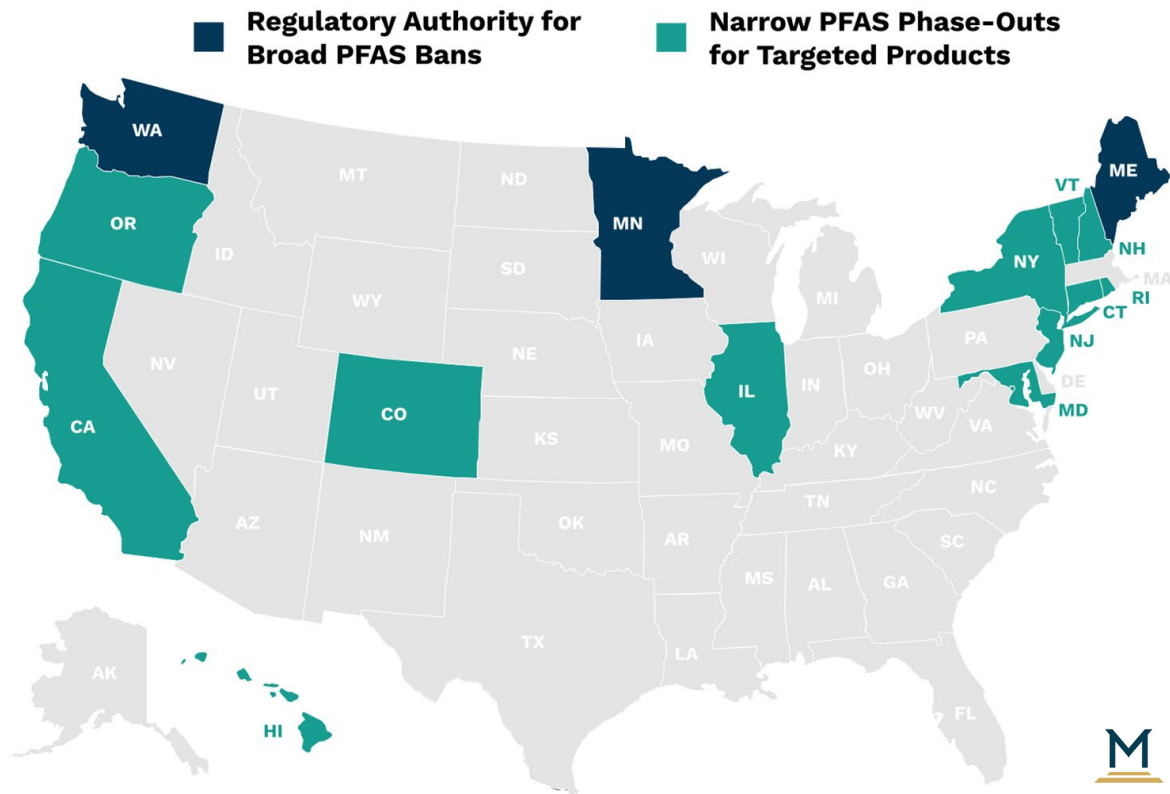


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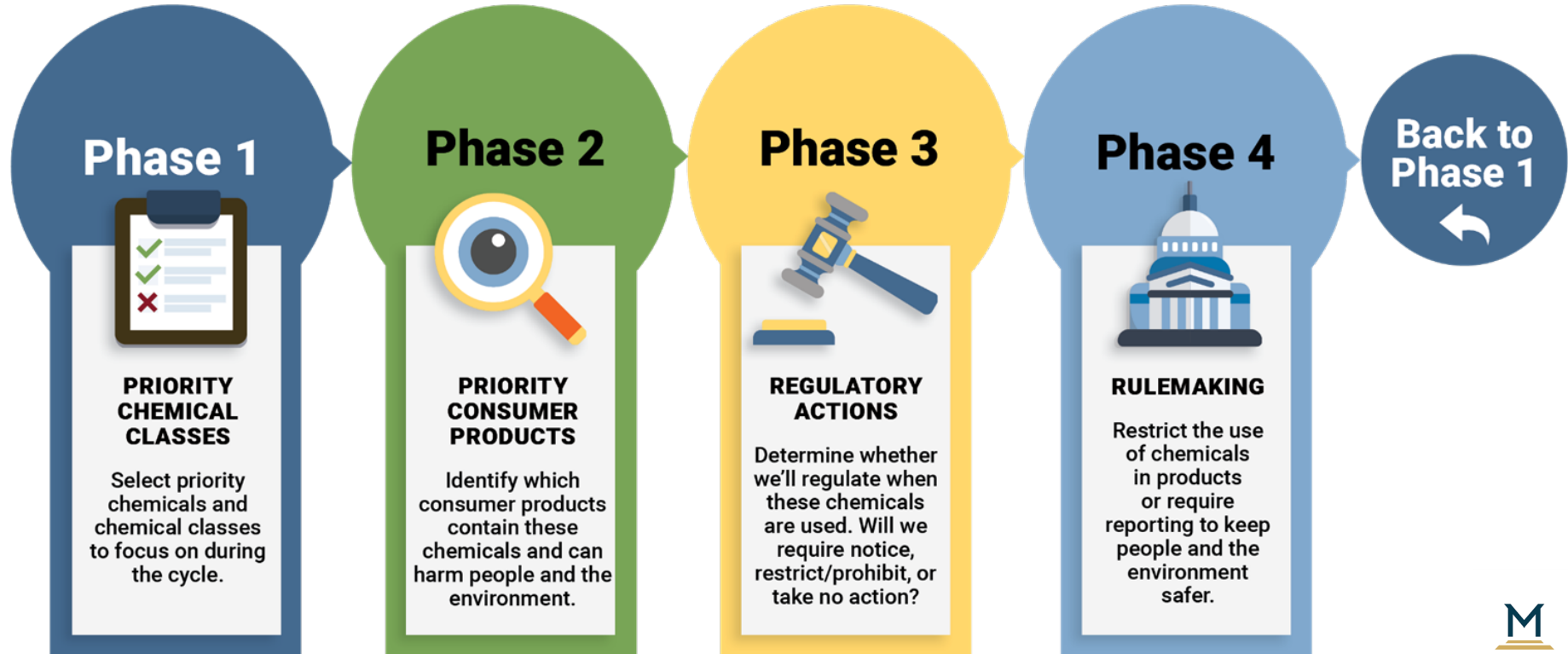
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Lawmakers authorized the Department of Ecology to develop regulations restricting the manufacture, sale, and distribution of “priority chemicals” — which include PFAS — and then identify “priority consumer products” that utilize the targeted chemicals.

Separately, lawmakers have banned PFAS from various **food packaging** (implemented in 2023 and 2024) and **firefighting foam** (2020).



Washington Department of Ecology's four-phase implementation process

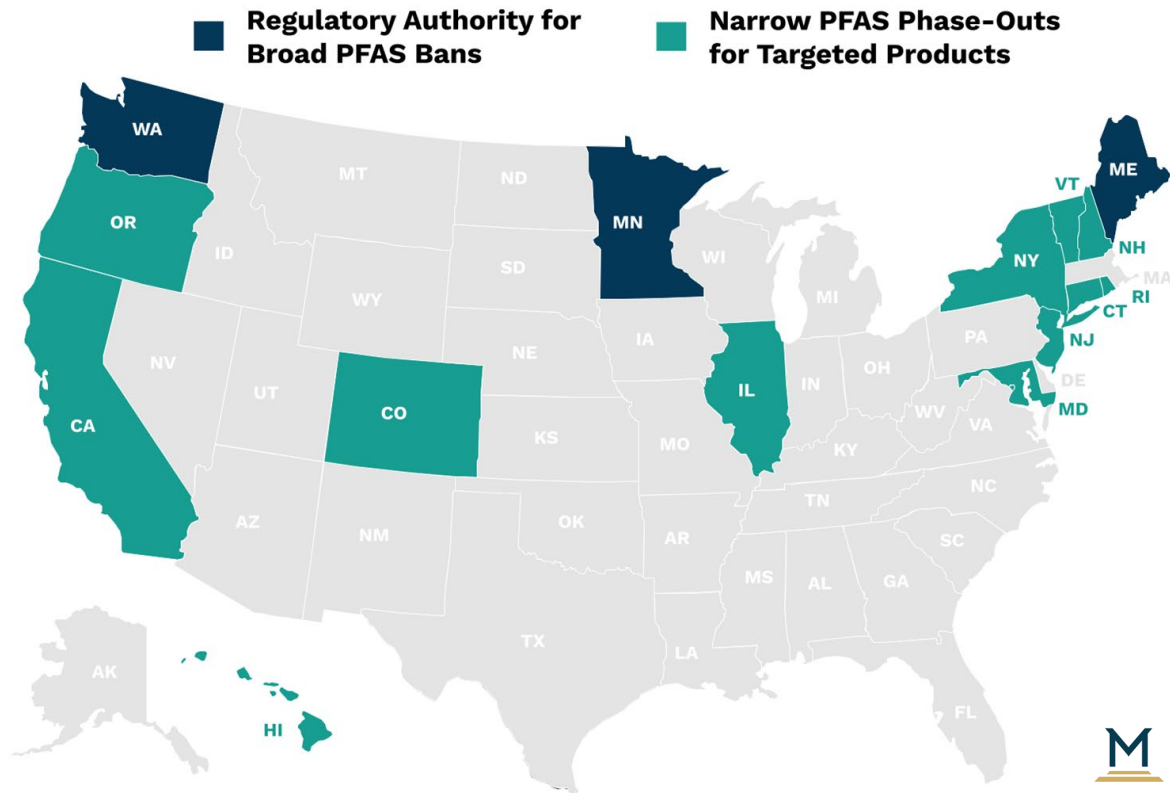


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Cycle 1 (rule finalized in 2023):

- **2024:** outdoor furniture (reporting)
- **2025:** carpets and rugs
- **2025:** aftermarket stain and water-resistance treatments
- **2026:** indoor furniture

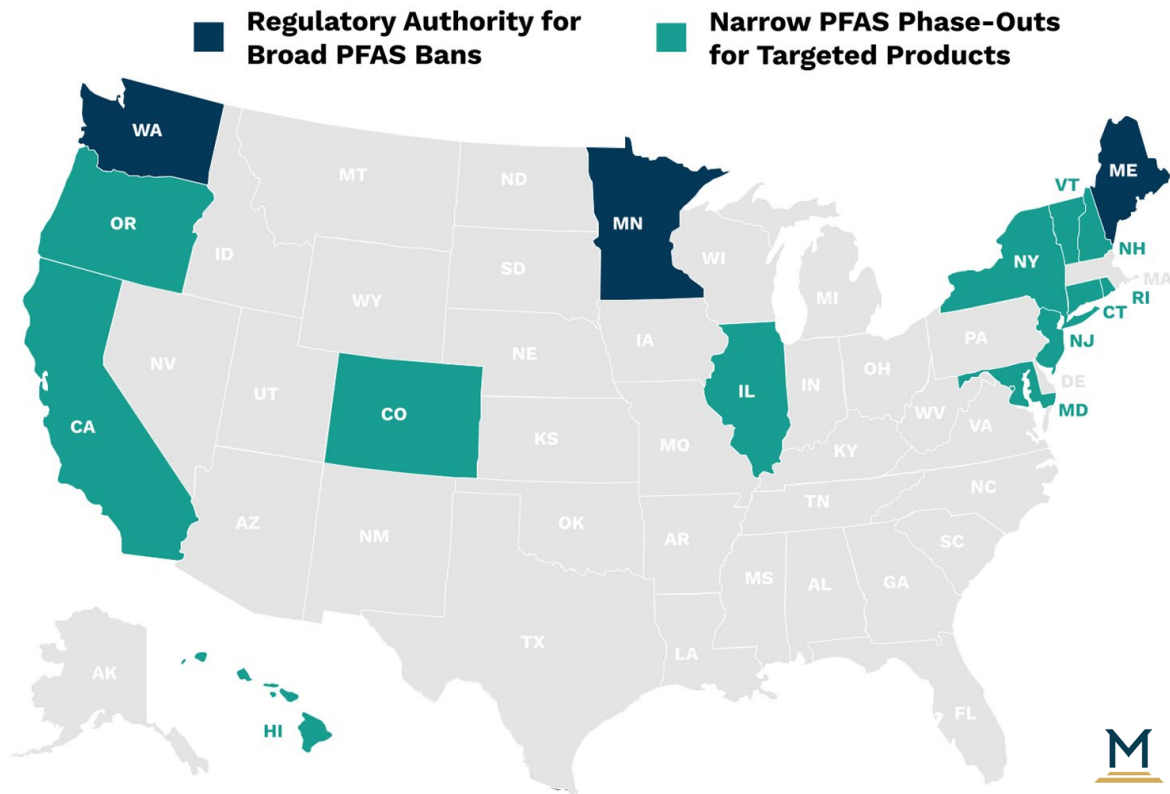


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Cycle 1.5 (proposed in 2022):

- Apparel and gear
- Firefighting PPE (reporting)
- Cleaning products
- Automotive washes
- Automotive waxes (reporting)
- Floor waxes (reporting)
- Ski waxes (reporting)
- Hard surface sealants (reporting)
- Cookware and kitchen supplies (reporting)

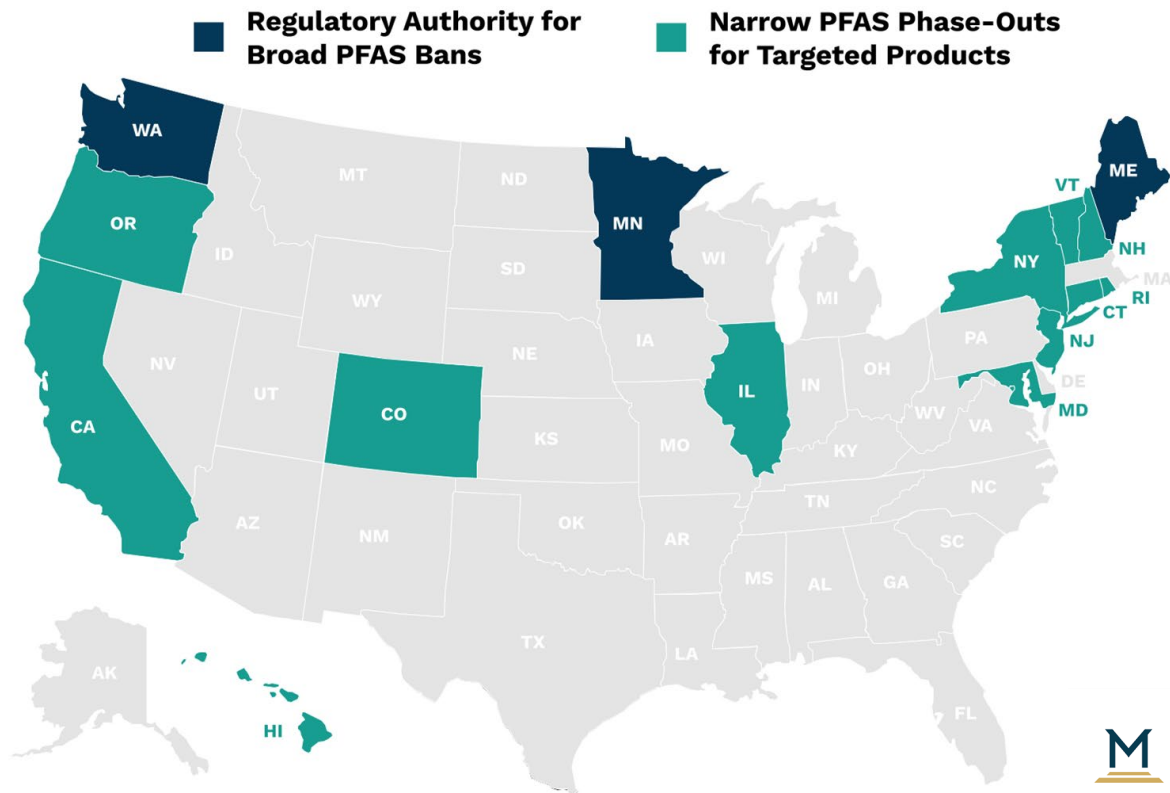


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Minnesota enacted “Amara’s Law” in 2023, which bans the “nonessential” use of PFAS chemicals in the state, and will be implemented in three stages:

1. Bans sale of **certain** PFAS containing products in **2025**
2. Establishes **reporting requirements** for PFAS containing products in **2026**
3. Bans non-essential uses of PFAS in **all products** by **2032**

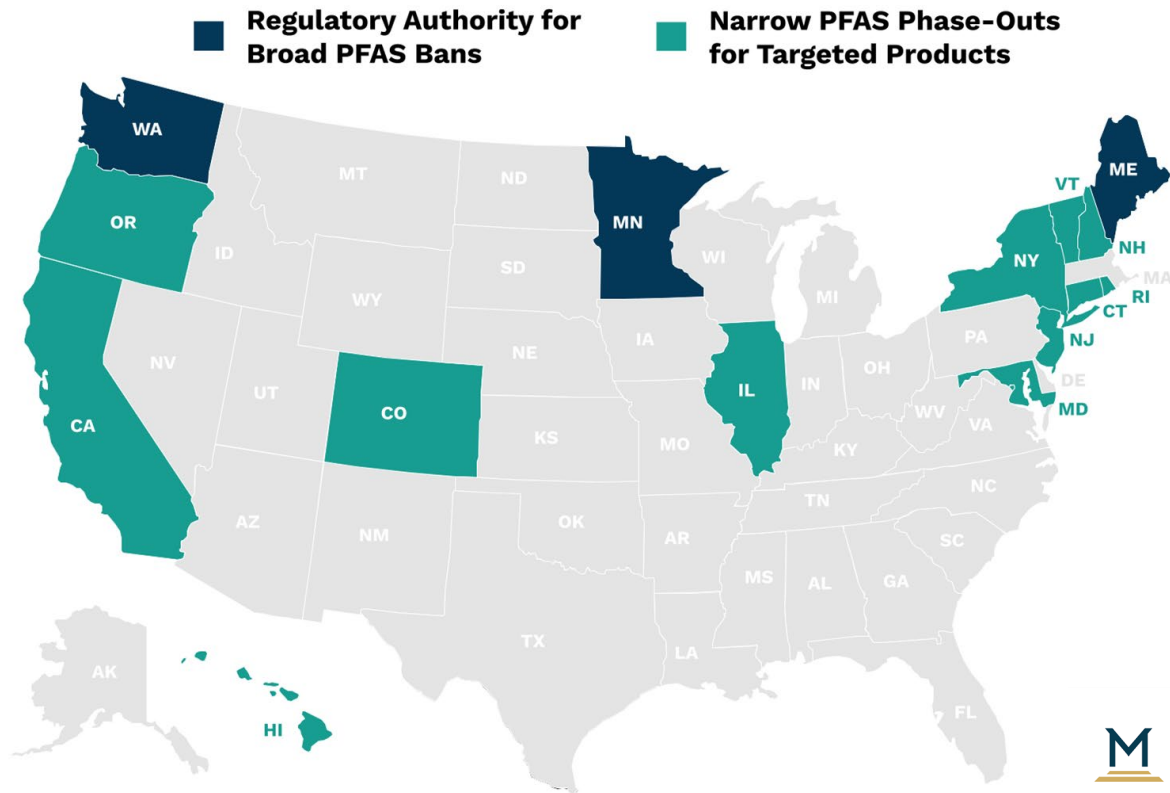
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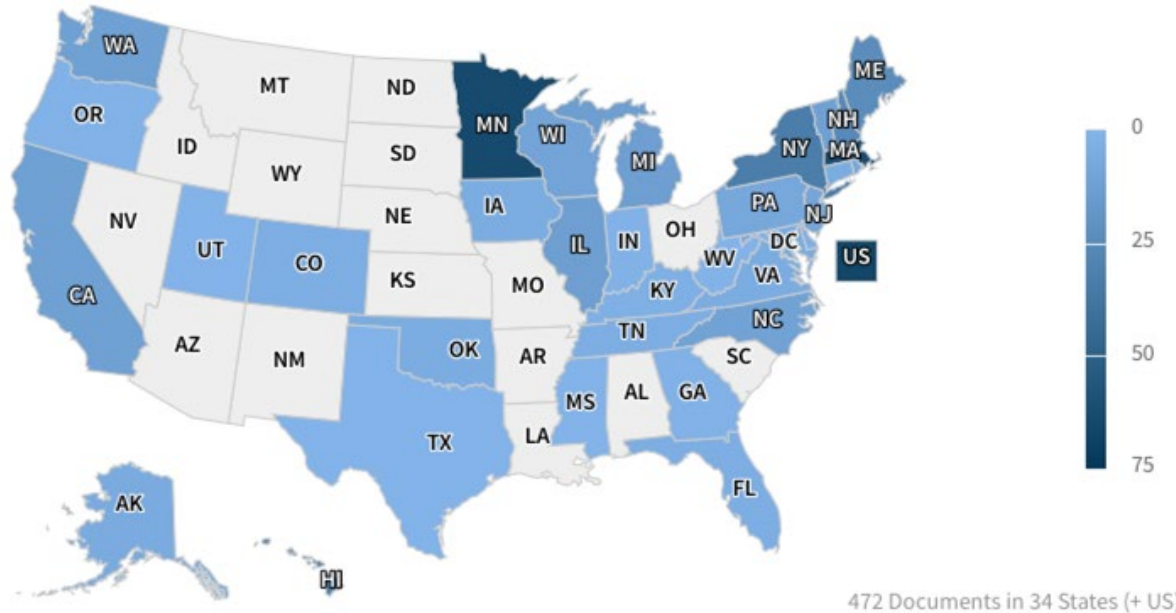
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- Menstruation products
- Textile furnishings
- Ski wax
- Upholstered furniture



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Still a **very active issue** and we expect activity to continue in the foreseeable future.





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