

"The Year of the Recall": CPSC Lessons to Learn

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In 2007, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission ("CPSC") or ("Commission") completed 472 voluntary product recalls involving nearly 100 million products, earning the nickname "The Year of the Recall." The dramatic increase in consumer product recalls from previous years has led to increased focus on CPSC reform legislation, which would affect CPSC authority if passed into law. The article recommends that businesses evaluate existing procedures, and offers suggested guidelines and practical pointers for best practices to ensure compliance with consumer product safety requirements.