Problems with "Organic Labeling"

We here at Ecobaby/Pure-Rest believe in the integrity of products labeled as organic. We want to see stricter standards. We disagree about what is currently allowed. For full list of allowed substances, please see Oregon Tilth and refer to the GOTS standard. Here are examples of what is allowed by the certifying bodies of organics:

Pg. 21 of GOTS: An input is considered as "heavy metal free" if it complies with the limit values for traces of the following elements as set by ETAD: Antimony 50ppm, Arsenic 50ppm, Barium 100ppm, Cadmium 20ppm, Cobalt 500ppm, Copper 250ppm, Chrome 100ppm, Iron 2500ppm, Manganese 100ppm, Nickel 200ppm, Mercury 4ppm, Selenium 20ppm, Silver 100ppm, Zinc 1500ppm, Tin 250ppm. You read that right, there can be antimony and arsenic in your organic mattress.

Other allowed are 5% of the following:

- a. viscose, acetate, and lyocell
- b. Polyester
- c. Polyurethane
- d. Polyamide

Allowed Formaldehyde at 300 mg/kg for mattresses. This means your organic crib mattress is allowed to have 4000 mg of formaldehyde.

Allowed Lead at .2mg/kg. This means your organic crib mattress is allowed to have 2.8 mg of lead.

Allowed Arsenic at .2mg/kg. This means your organic crib mattress is allowed to have 2.8 mg of arsenic.

Allowed Pesticides at .5mg/kg. This means your organic crib mattress is allowed to have 7 mg of pesticides.

OUR COMMITMENT to TRUE ORGANICS

We test our products to prove they do not have any of these toxic substances in them, allowed or not. They are NOT allowed in our products.

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