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**Product Safety Alert**

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### **The Electrical Safety Authority Warns Consumers about Unapproved Headboards with Built-in lighting**

**Toronto, ON** – The Electrical Safety Authority (ESA) is notifying consumers about unapproved Headboards made of an expanded foam type material with one or more built-in light bulbs.

These products are unapproved, not tested to any Canadian Safety Standards and do not bear any recognized certification mark in Canada.

**Description/Models:** Possibly various design styles similar to those shown below. These headboards were sold at specialty furniture stores approximately 15 years ago and were part of a bedroom set, including vanity mirror frame. The photographs below show sections of the headboard ensemble that were allegedly involved in a fire. As it is not determined that the light fixtures or wiring were the actual cause of the fire, ESA feels that it is obligated to warn consumers as these headboards are unapproved, are possibly deteriorating due to age, and the type of foam material may be more susceptible to overheating. They were manufactured in Italy.

**Direction:** Electrical Safety Authority requests consumers to stop using / permanently unplug / disconnecting these products immediately. Also, remove the bulbs after unplugging the power cord and it is recommended to cut off the power cord at the entry point into the headboard. Dispose of the power cord as per local regulations.

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