# **Summary Listing of All Solid Waste Related Bills**

May 2007

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#### **ESJPA BILLS**

CA AB 48

**AUTHOR:** 

Saldana (D)

TITLE: LOCATION: Hazardous Waste: Electronic Devices Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Relates to the Electronic Waste Recycling Act of 2003. Defines the term "ROHS" directive "for purposes of that sale prohibition to mean, instead, a device that is dependent on electric currents or electromagnetic fields to work properly or that is a device for the generation, transfer, or measurement of electric currents or fields that is designated for use with a voltage rating that does not exceed a specified amount. Excludes fixed installation electrical, or mechanical, or both electrical and mechanical.

STATUS:

04/24/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY

AND TOXIC MATERIALS: Do pass to Committee on

APPROPRIATIONS.

<u>Position</u>

Staff

<u>Subject</u>

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

**CA AB 258** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Krekorian (D)

TITLE:

Environment: Marine Debris: Plastic Discharges

LAST AMEND:

04/09/2007

LOCATION:

Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Water Resources Control Board and regional boards to implement a program for the control of discharges of preproduction plastics, from point and nonpoint sources, including waste discharge, monitoring, and reporting requirements that target facilities that handle preproduction and nonpoint sources involved in the transfer of preproduction plastic, and the implementation of best managment practices. Establishes criteria for no exposure certification for plastic manufacturing and processing.

STATUS:

04/16/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do

pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Lobbyist

Position

Staff

Subject ESJPA

Kathy

Watch

Mary

WaterQuality

**CA AB 484** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Nava (D)

TITLE:

Recycling: Highway Construction and Repair

FILE:

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LOCATION:

Assembly Second Reading File

**SUMMARY:** 

Requires the Department of Transportation, unless it determines that the use of the materials is not cost effective, to use recycled aggregate base, for at least 50% of the total amount of aggregate base used on and after 1/1/2008 and for at least 75% of the total amount of aggregate base used on and after. Requires the Secretary of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency to prepare a specified analysis.

STATUS:

05/02/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Do pass.

Position Watch

<u>Staff</u> Mary Subject **ESJPA** 

CA AB 501

**AUTHOR:** 

Swanson (D)

TITLE:

Pharmaceutical Devices

LAST AMEND:

04/30/2007

COMMITTEE:

Assembly Health Committee

**HEARING:** 

05/08/2007 1:30 pm

**SUMMARY:** 

Requires a pharmaceutical company whose product is dispensed through a prefilled syringe, prefilled pen needle, or other prefilled injection device to provide each person for whom the product is prescribed with a specified method for the patient to safely dispose of the syringe, pen needle, or other injection device.

STATUS:

04/30/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on HEALTH with author's

amendments.

04/30/2007

In ASSEMBLY, Read second time and amended, Re-referred

to Committee on HEALTH.

Analyst

**BOARD.PACKET** 

Lobbyist

**Position** 

Nick

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Paul

Support 03/26/2007

Staff

<u>Subject</u>

Mary

**ESJPA** 

**CA AB 529** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Torrico (D)

TITLE:

Local Public Employees Organizations

LOCATION:

**ASSEMBLY** 

**SUMMARY:** 

Relates to existing law that gives public employees the right to form, join, and participate in the activities of employee organizations of their own choosing.

STATUS:

02/21/2007

INTRODUCED.

**Position** 

**Staff** 

Subject

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

**CA AB 546** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Brownley (D)

TITLE:

**Electronic Waste** 

LAST AMEND: LOCATION:

04/18/2007

Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Relates to the Electronic Waste Recycling Act of 2003 that requires each manufacturer of a covered electronic device to make information available to consumers. Requires the Integrated Waste Management Board to develop an information program to provide retailers with a list of authorized collectors operating in the county where the retailer is located. Requires a retailer to provide a customer who purchases an electronic device with that list.

STATUS:

04/24/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY

AND TOXIC MATERIALS: Do pass to Committee on

APPROPRIATIONS.

**Analyst** 

**Lobbyist** 

Position

Staff

Nick

Paul

Watch

Mary

**CA AB 548** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Levine (D)

TITLE:

Solid Waste: Multifamily Dwellings

LAST AMEND:

04/26/2007

FILE:

LOCATION:

Assembly Second Reading File

**SUMMARY:** 

Requires an owner of a defined multifamily dwelling to provide recycling services that are appropriate for the multifamily dwelling, in accordance with the local agency's source reduction and recycling element, statutory provisions regarding development projects, and any other applicable state or local law or requirement application to the collection, handling, or recycling of solid waste. Specifies what is included in such services.

STATUS:

05/02/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Do

pass.

Position

Staff

Subject

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

**CA AB 656** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Plescia (R)

TITLE:

Hazardous Waste: Alkaline Batteries

LOCATION:

Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials

Committee

**SUMMARY:** 

Requires the Integrated Waste Management Board and the State Water Resources Control Board to jointly undertake a study and submit a report to the Legislature regarding whether there are any environmental impacts caused by the random disposal of used alkaline batteries in a permitted solid waste landfill facility.

STATUS:

03/12/2007

To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND

TOXIC MATERIALS.

**Position** 

Staff

<u>Subject</u>

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

**CA AB 679** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Benoit (R)

TITLE: LOCATION: Illegal Dumping: Assessments

SUMMARY:

Assembly Second Reading File

Requires the court to impose a civil assessment on violators equal to the fine imposed on the offenders for committing certain littering or illegal dumping offenses. Requires that the assessments be deposited in the city's or county's general fund for use for illegal dumping enforcement.

STATUS:

05/01/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on JUDICIARY: Do pass as

amended.

Lobbyist

Staff

Subject

Paul

Position Pending

Mary

**ESJPA** 

CA AB 712

**AUTHOR:** 

De Leon (D)

TITLE:

Vehicle Clean Air Program

LAST AMEND:

05/02/2007

LOCATION:

Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Creates a fee for solid waste disposal at a disposal facility. Creates the Off-Road Solid Waste and Recycling Vehicle Clean Air Account. Distributes the fees to an operator of an off-road solid waste and recycling vehicle for the costs of complying with a certain State Air Resources Board regulation. Awards grants for projects that divert organic materials from disposal in order to reduce greenhouse gas emission from landfills. Requires the board to provide reports on expenditures and emissions reduced.

STATUS:

05/02/2007

In ASSEMBLY, Read second time and amended, Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Lobbyist Paul

**Position** Oppose

Staff Mary Subject **ESJPA** 

CA AB 722

**AUTHOR:** 

Levine (D)

TITLE: LOCATION: Energy: General Service Incandescent Lamp

Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Amends the Warren-Alquist State Resources Conservation and Development Act which requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to prescribe the minimum level of operating efficiency for lighting devices. Prohibits on and after a specified date the sale of general service incandescent lamps.

STATUS:

04/23/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on UTILITIES AND COMMERCE:

Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Lobbyist

Position

Staff

Subject **ESJPA** 

Kathy

Watch

Mary

Energy

CA AB 729

**AUTHOR:** 

Mullin (D)

TITLE:

Recycling: E-Waste

LOCATION:

Assembly Natural Resources Committee

**SUMMARY:** 

Requires the integrated Waste Management Board to adopt regulations for the proper and legal donation of covered electronic devices intended for reuse by a nonprofit organization including, but not limited to, the development of a form that may be used by an authorized collector when a covered electronic device is transferred by a person or company for refurbishing or reuse by a nonprofit organization.

STATUS:

03/12/2007

To ASSEMBLY Committees on NATURAL RESOURCES and ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.

<u>Position</u> Watch

Staff Mary

Subject **ESJPA** 

**CA AB 820** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Karnette (D)

TITLE:

Recycling Polystyrene: State Facilities

LAST AMEND:

04/09/2007

LOCATION:

Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Prohibits a state facility from selling, possessing, or distributing an expanded

polystyrene food container. Directs a state agency to require each prospective bidder or contractor to certify that it, and its agents, subsidiaries, partners, joint venturers, and subcontractors for procurement will adhere to this prohibition. Provides that this requirement applies to the campuses of the University of California under specified circumstances. Provides exemptions for prisons and state mental health facilities.

STATUS:

05/02/2007

In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

Position Watch Staff Mary Subject ESJPA

CA AB 844

**AUTHOR:** 

Berryhill (R)

TITLE:

Junk Dealers and Recyclers: Scrap Metal and Alloys

LAST AMEND:

05/01/2007

LOCATION:

Assembly Appropriations Committee

**SUMMARY:**Revises the definition of a junk dealer and dele

Revises the definition of a junk dealer and deletes provisions of existing law exempting certain purchases of scrap metals from the provisions regulating junk dealers. Exempts automobile dismantlers. Requires the written records of junk dealers and recyclers to include a physical description, or photograph or video, of a person from whom junk is purchased. Establishes further provisions regarding required record keeping and the purchase and sale of scrap metal and alloys by junk dealers and recyclers.

STATUS:

05/01/2007

In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

<u>Position</u>

<u>Staff</u>

<u>Subject</u>

Watch

Mary

ESJPA

**CA AB 904** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Feuer (D)

TITLE:

Recycling: Food Containers

LAST AMEND:

04/17/2007

LOCATION:

**Assembly Appropriations Committee** 

**SUMMARY:** 

Enacts the Plastic and Marine Debris Reduction, Recycling, and Composing Act. Prohibits a take-out food provider from distributing single use food service packaging to a consumer, unless that packaging is either compostable packaging or recyclable packaging. Prohibits a take-out food provider from distributing single use food service packaging to packaging is also recovered for composting at a rate of 25% or more or is recovered for recycling at a rate of 25% or more.

STATUS:

04/23/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do

pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Position

Staff

Subject

Watch

Marv

ESJPA

**CA AB 1018** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Emmerson (R)

TITLE:

Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act

LOCATION:

**ASSEMBLY** 

SUMMARY:

Amends the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. Authorizes a water quality control board to expend money under specified circumstances.

STATUS:

02/22/2007

INTRODUCED.

Lobbyist Kathy

<u>Position</u>

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Subject **ESJPA** 

Watch Mary WaterQuality

CA AB 1023

**AUTHOR:** 

DeSaulnier (D)

TITLE:

Recycling: Compostable and Biodegradable Plastic

LAST AMEND: LOCATION:

04/16/2007 **SENATE** 

**SUMMARY:** 

Amends the existing law that requires a manufacturer of plastic trash bags to obtain from its supplier of recycled plastic postconsumer material a statement containing specified information, and that requires the manufacturer to certify to the Integrated Waste Management Board that it is in compliance with the recycled plastic postconsumer material requirements. Exempts a manufacturer that produces specified compostable and biodegradable plastic products.

STATUS:

05/03/2007

In ASSEMBLY, Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY, \*\*\*\*\*To

SENATE.

**Position** 

<u>Staff</u>

<u>Subject</u>

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

**CA AB 1048** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Richardson (D)

TITLE:

Illegal Dumping Enforcement Officers

LOCATION:

SENATE

**SUMMARY:** 

Corrects an erroneous cross-reference and provide that illegal dumping enforcement officers, shall be among those persons who enforce provisions of law relating to solid waste disposal.

STATUS:

05/03/2007

In ASSEMBLY, Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY, \*\*\*\*\*To

SENATE.

Position

<u>Staff</u>

Subject

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

CA AB 1075

**AUTHOR:** 

Cook (R)

TITLE:

Solid Waste Diversion

LAST AMEND: LOCATION:

03/28/2007

SUMMARY:

Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Relates to the Integrated Waste Management Program that allows the solid waste reduction and recycling element of the program to include not more than 10% diversion through transformation and not more than 10% diversion through biomass conversion and if the ash from the biomass conversion is considered class 1 hazardous waste, then the ash is to be sent to a class 1 hazardous waste facility. Specifies the existing authority for making the classification of such waste facility. Defines transformation.

STATUS:

03/28/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES with

author's amendments.

03/28/2007

In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

Position Watch

**Staff** Mary Subject **ESJPA** 

CA AB 1076

**AUTHOR:** 

Houston (R)

TITLE:

Public Works: Prevailing Wage Rates: Penalties

LAST AMEND:

04/10/2007

COMMITTEE:

Assembly Appropriations Committee

**HEARING:** 

05/09/2007 9:00 am

**SUMMARY:** 

Modifies provisions of existing law that relate to the payment of prevailing wages on public works projects by contractors and subcontractors and the procedures if such wages are not paid, to provide that an affected contractor, subcontractor, or surety, become liable for liquidated damages after 60 days following the service of assessment or notice of withholding, only if no request for a hearing has been made. Requires those affected to pay all wages due, within a specified timeframe.

STATUS:

04/18/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT:

Do pass to Committee on RULES.

Position

Staff

<u>Subject</u>

Watch

Mary

ESJPA

CA AB 1109

CA AB 1150

**AUTHOR:** 

Huffman (D)

TITLE:

Energy Resources: Lighting Efficiency: Hazardous Waste

LAST AMEND:

04/12/2007

LOCATION:

Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Enacts the Lighting Efficiency and Toxics Reduction Act. Requires the Department of Toxic Substances Control to prescribe schedules for reducing the maximum levels of mercury, per lumen hour, and lead, in general purpose lights, sold or offered for sale in the state. Requires every manufacturer of general purpose lights sold in the state containing hazardous materials to ensure that a system is in place for collection and recycling of end-of-life lights and to submit a plan to the department.

STATUS:

04/24/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY

AND TOXIC MATERIALS: Do pass to Committee on

APPROPRIATIONS.

Analyst

Nick

Lobbyist

Paul

Position Support <u>Staff</u> Mary

Subject

**ESJPA** 

**AUTHOR:** Lieu (D)

TITLE: LOCATION: Solid Waste: Transformation

Assembly Natural Resources Committee **SUMMARY:** 

Relates to a transformation integrated waste management program. Defines transformation as the incineration of solid waste, or the processing of solid waste through a noncombustion thermal, chemical, or biological process.

STATUS:

03/15/2007

To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

Position Watch

Staff Mary Subject **ESJPA** 

CA AB 1193

**AUTHOR:** 

Ruskin (D)

TITLE:

Mercury-Added Thermostats: Collection Program

LAST AMEND:

03/29/2007

LOCATION:

Assembly Appropriations Committee

**SUMMARY:** 

Enacts the Mercury Thermostat Collection Act of 2007. Requires a manufacturer that sold mercury added thermostats in this state to establish and maintain a collection and recycling program for out-of-service mercury-added thermostats. Prohibits a manufacturer from selling a thermostat in this state unless the manufacturer complies with the act. Requires a collection and recycling program for out-of-service thermostats to meet certain requirements.

STATUS:

05/02/2007

In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

Paul

Analyst Nick Lobbyist

Position Support Staff Mary

Subject ESJPA

CA AB 1195

**AUTHOR:** 

Torrico (D)

TITLE:

Recycling: Used Oil: Payment

LAST AMEND:

04/18/2007

COMMITTEE:

Assembly Appropriations Committee

**HEARING:** 

05/09/2007 9:00 am

**SUMMARY:** 

Prohibits the payment of the recycling incentive for any used oil transported out of state. Requires a used oil facility to be tested and analyzed by an accredited laboratory to ensure the oil meets specified criteria. Provides that a generator of the used oil, a registered hazardous waste transporter, or a recycling facility would be required to accomplish the testing and analysis. Requires the generator and transporter to submit an annual report containing information on out-of-state shipment of used oil.

STATUS:

04/24/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY

AND TOXIC MATERIALS: Do pass to Committee on

APPROPRIATIONS.

Position Watch Staff Mary Subject ESJPA

**CA AB 1207** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Smyth (R)

TITLE:

Solid Waste: Biosolids

LOCATION:

Assembly Natural Resources Committee

**SUMMARY:** 

Relates to existing law that requires the State Water Resources Control Board to adopt minimum standards for solid waste facilities. Requires those minimum standards to include standards for the land application of biosolids which would include standards for the land application of biosolids according to sound principles of land use, agriculture, conservation, resource management, public health, and protection of ground water.

STATUS:

03/26/2007

TO ASSEMBLY Committees on NATURAL RESOURCES and ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.

**Position** Watch

Staff Mary Subject **ESJPA** 

**CA AB 1237** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Hancock (D)

TITLE: LOCATION: Solid Waste: Solid Waste Facilities Assembly Natural Resources Committee

SUMMARY:

Relates to existing law which requires the Integrated Waste Management Board to either concur or object to the issuance or revision of a solid waste facility permit within 60 days from the board's receipt of a facility permit. Extends the time period in which the board may concur or object to 90 days. Eliminates the need for a public hearing prior to an enforcement action by the board,

STATUS:

03/15/2007

To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

**Analyst** 

Nick

Lobbvist Paul

Position Watch

Staff Mary

Subject **ESJPA** 

**CA AB 1447** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Calderon C (D)

TITLE:

Hazardous Waste: Major Appliances

LAST AMEND:

04/12/2007

FILE:

62

LOCATION:

Assembly Second Reading File

**SUMMARY:** 

Allows an appliance service technician to remove refrigerant from a major appliance. Allows a person who is not a certified appliance recycler to transport, deliver, or sell a discarded major appliance to a certified appliance recycler. Provides that violation would be a crime. Requires a scrap recycling facility that accepts more than one appliance in a specified period, to provide the Department of Toxic Substance Control and the local Certified Unified Program Agency with specified information.

STATUS:

05/02/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Do pass.

To Consent Calendar.

Position

Watch

Staff

Subject

**ESJPA** Mary

CA AB 1473

**AUTHOR:** 

Feuer (D)

TITLE:

Solid Waste Facility: Permits: Enforcement

LAST AMEND:

04/11/2007

LOCATION:

Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Allows an enforcement agency to stay the issuance of a cease and desist order if the solid waste facility accepts only materials that are source separated for recycling and meets other specified conditions with regard to the operation of the facility. Requires the Integrated Waste Management Board to conduct a study of the environmental and public health impacts of solid waste facilities that accept only materials that are source separated for recycling.

STATUS:

04/23/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do

pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Position

Staff

Subject

Watch

**ESJPA** 

CA AB 1535

**AUTHOR:** 

Huffman (D)

TITLE:

**Electronic Waste: Personal Computers** Assembly Appropriations Committee

LOCATION: SUMMARY:

Relates to the Electronic Waste Recycling Act of 2003, to include a personal computer. Provides that a retailer would be required to collect a fee from the consumer at the time of the retail sale of a personal computer.

Mary

STATUS:

04/24/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY

AND TOXIC MATERIALS: Do pass to Committee on

APPROPRIATIONS.

Analyst Nick

Lobbyist Paul

Position Watch

Staff Mary

<u>Subject</u> **ESJPA** 

**CA AB 1610** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Nunez (D)

TITLE:

Solid Waste: Fees

COMMITTEE:

Assembly Appropriations Committee

**HEARING:** 

05/09/2007 9:00 am

**SUMMARY:** 

Amends the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 which requires each operator of a disposal facility in the state to pay a quarterly fee to the State Board of equalization, for all waste disposed of at each disposal site. Increases the amount up to which the board may impose the fee, to not more than a certain amount per ton.

STATUS:

04/23/2007

From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do

pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Analyst

Nick

Lobbyist Paul

**Position** Concerns **Staff** Mary

**ESJPA** 

Subject

CA SB 229

**AUTHOR:** 

Margett (R)

TITLE:

Vehicles: Large or Heavy Loads

LOCATION:

Senate Transportation and Housing Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires a local authority to use certain specified criteria in determining whether extra insurance or other financial security is required by an unusually large or heavy load that poses a substantial risk to public facilities.

STATUS:

02/20/2007

To SENATE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING.

Position

Staff

Subject

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

CA SB 447

**AUTHOR:** TITLE:

Maldonado (R) Junk Dealers

LAST AMEND:

03/26/2007

LOCATION:

Senate Public Safety Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires a junk dealer to include in records the thumbprint of the seller of junk. Requires the dealer to report specified information, using forms approved or provided an actual cost by the Department of Justice, to the sheriff of the county in which the junk dealer received or purchased the junk.

STATUS:

04/10/2007

In SENATE Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY: Heard, remains in

Committee.

**Position** 

Staff

Subject

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

CA SB 492

**AUTHOR:** 

Maldonado (R)

TITLE:

Vehicles: Abandonment: Fines

COMMITTEE:

Senate Transportation and Housing Committee

**HEARING:** SUMMARY: 05/08/2007 1:30 pm

Increases to \$1,000 the minimum fine for a person convicted of abandoning a

vehicle. STATUS:

02/28/2007

To SENATE Committee on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING.

**Position** 

Staff

Subject

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

CA SB 577

**AUTHOR:** 

Oropeza (D)

TITLE:

State Highways

LOCATION:

Senate Rules Committee

**SUMMARY:** 

Relates to existing law that requires the Department of Transportation to maintain the state highways, to assign a high priority to litter deposited along state highway segments adjoining storm drains, streams, rivers, waterways, beaches, the ocean, and other environmentally sensitive areas, and to use litter traps in drains.

STATUS:

03/08/2007

To SENATE Committee on RULES.

**Position** 

<u>Staff</u>

Subject

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

CA SB 585

**AUTHOR:** 

Lowenthal (D)

TITLE: LOCATION: Recycled Concrete: Department of Transportation Senate Transportation and Housing Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Department of Transportation to report on the amount of recycled concrete materials used. Requires the department to contract with the Institute of Transportation Studies to conduct workshops for public works professionals on using recycled concrete materials.

STATUS:

03/08/2007

To SENATE Committees on TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING

and ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.

**Position** 

Staff

Subject

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

CA SB 613

**AUTHOR:** 

Simitian (D)

TITLE:

Local Governments: Vehicle Fees

**LAST AMEND:** LOCATION:

04/12/2007 ASSEMBLY

SUMMARY:

Provides that the City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County may reauthorize a fee on motor vehicles registered within the county for a program for the management of traffic congestion and stormwater pollution within that county for a specified period.

STATUS:

04/16/2007

In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To

ASSEMBLY.

**Position** 

**Staff** 

Subject

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

CA SB 679

**AUTHOR:** 

Romero (D)

TITLE:

Public Education: Community Schools, Continuation

LAST AMEND:

03/29/2007

COMMITTEE:

Senate Appropriations Committee

**HEARING:** 

05/14/2007 10:00 am

SUMMARY:

Relates to public education, community and continuation schools, Requires such schools to offer a minimum school day. Allows pupils to earn hours of the school day with attendance at a regional occupational center or program. Provides for components to an alternative accountability system. Provides that if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made. Provides for continuous supervision of pupils.

STATUS:

04/26/2007

From SENATE Committee on EDUCATION: Do pass to

Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Lobbyist

**Position** 

<u>Subject</u>

Support

**ESJPA** 

Paul

CA SB 697

**AUTHOR:** 

Wiggins (D)

TITLE:

Compost

**LAST AMEND:** LOCATION:

04/19/2007 Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Relates to Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989. Requires the Department of

General Services and the Integrated Waste Management Board to use compost in place of, or to supplement, petroleum-based commercial fertilizer in the state's highway landscape maintenance program. Requires a program to increase the use of mulch, compost and mulch products while phasing out the use of pesticides.

STATUS:

04/19/2007

In SENATE, Read second time and amended, Re-referred to

Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

**Position** 

<u>Staff</u>

<u>Subject</u>

Watch

Mary

**ESJPA** 

**CA SB 735** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Wiggins (D)

TITLE:

Recycling: Paving Materials: Tracking

LAST AMEND:

04/19/2007

COMMITTEE:

Senate Appropriations Committee

**HEARING:** 

05/07/2007 10:00 am

#### **SUMMARY:**

Relates to paving materials. Requires the Department of Transportation to create a tracking system to record the type of recycled material, the amount and percentage, the projects, the dates of the projects and the location of the projects in which specified recycled materials are used. Requires the department to update the tracking system and to report the information to the Legislature.

STATUS:

04/30/2007

In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Not heard.

Position Watch Staff Mary Subject ESJPA

**CA SB 826** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Padilla (D)

TITLE:

Solid Waste: Environmental Justice: Facilities Permits

LAST AMEND:

04/12/2007

COMMITTEE:

Senate Appropriations Committee

HEARING:

05/07/2007 10:00 am

**SUMMARY:** 

Requires the Integrated Waste Management Board to adopt regulations setting minimum standards for solid waste facilities and to identify and mitigate impacts in disproportionately affected communities in which such facilities are located. Requires before issuing a facilities permit, the enforcement agency to provide notice including the Web site where the permit is available for review. Extends the time period in which the board may concur or object to the issuance, modification or revision of a permit.

STATUS:

04/30/2007

In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Not heard.

Analyst Nick

<u>Lobbyist</u> Paul Position Watch <u>Staff</u> Mary

Subject ESJPA

CA SB 842

**AUTHOR:** 

Scott (D)

TITLE:

Integrated Waste Management

LOCATION:

Senate Environmental Quality Committee

SUMMARY:

Relates to the Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 and the definition of the term gasification as meaning a technology that uses a noncombustion thermal process to convert solid waste to a clean burning fuel for the purpose of generating electricity. Requires that the technology produces no discharges of air contaminants or emissions exceeding standards set by the State Air Resources Board, air pollution control districts, or air quality management districts.

STATUS:

03/08/2007

To SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.

<u>Position</u> Watch Staff Mary Subject ESJPA

**CA SB 896** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Negrete McLeod (D)

TITLE: LOCATION: Solid Waste: Beverage Container Recycling Senate Environmental Quality Committee

**SUMMARY:** 

Provides that the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act requires a distributor of specified beverage containers to pay a redemption payment to the Department of Conservation, for each beverage container sold or transferred,

for deposit in the California Beverage Container Recycling Fund. Provides that the moneys in the fund are to pay refund values, administrative fees, and a reserve for contingencies.

**STATUS:** 

03/15/2007

To SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.

**Position** Watch

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CA SB 898

**AUTHOR:** 

Simitian (D)

TITLE:

Beverage Containers: Solid Waste Cleanup

LAST AMEND:

03/26/2007

LOCATION:

Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Relates to existing law that requires all rigid plastic bottles and containers to be labeled with a code that indicates the resin used to produce the bottles or containers, with specified numbers and letters. Includes in the list of those codes the letter O or letters PLA which indicates bottles and containers made with polylactic acid. Requires recommending guidelines and programs for the removal and disposal of derelict fishing gear and marina and vessel operator waste management programs.

STATUS:

04/23/2007

In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

**Position** 

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CA SB 935

**AUTHOR:** 

Perata (D)

TITLE:

Public Works: Utility Workers: Wage Protection Senate Labor and Industrial Relations Committee

LOCATION:

SUMMARY:

Specifies that a public utility, defined as a public entity for limited purposes, must require the payment bond of its contractors, and must submit copies of those payment bonds to the Public Utilities Commission or any worker or member of the public. Declares the intent of the Legislature to extend the protections offered to workers employed on public works projects to workers employed on construction projects for public utilities.

STATUS:

03/15/2007

To SENATE Committee on LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL

RELATIONS.

<u>Position</u> Watch

Staff Mary <u>Subject</u> **ESJPA** 

**CA SB 937** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Perata (D)

TITLE:

County Highways: Construction

LOCATION:

Senate Rules Committee

**SUMMARY:** 

Relates to existing law which requires counties, with the approval of the board of supervisors, to comply with certain procedures when soliciting and evaluating bids and awarding contracts for the construction, repair, or maintenance of a county highways, as specified.

STATUS:

03/15/2007

To SENATE Committee on RULES.

Analyst

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Transportation

**CA SB 966** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Simitian (D)

TITLE:

Pharmaceutical Drug Disposal

LAST AMEND:

04/30/2007

FILE:

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LOCATION: SUMMARY:

Senate Third Reading File

Requires every retailer of a drug to have in place a system for the acceptance and collection of drugs for proper disposal that includes specified elements. Provides that the provisions do not apply to a controlled substance, as defined.

STATUS:

05/01/2007

In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.

<u>Analyst</u>

Lobbyist

Position

**Staff** 

Nick

Paul

Support 03/26/2007

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Subject **ESJPA** 

**CA SB 1016** 

**AUTHOR:** 

Wiggins (D)

TITLE:

Diversion: Annual Reports

LAST AMEND:

04/10/2007

FILE:

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LOCATION:

Senate Third Reading File

**SUMMARY:** 

Authorizes the Integrated Waste Management Board, if it determines that a city or county has diverted more than 50% of solid waste from landfill disposal through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities, to submit once every 2 years the information required in a specified report. Provides that, for a city or county submitting the report every 2 years, they must return to annual submission if they fail to divert 50% of the solid waste, or if the board rescinds the authorization.

STATUS:

04/24/2007

In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.

Analyst

Lobbyist Paul

Position

Staff

Nick

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Support.If.Amended

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CA SB 1020

**AUTHOR:** 

Padilla (D)

TITLE:

Solid Waste: Diversion

LAST AMEND:

04/09/2007

COMMITTEE:

Senate Appropriations Committee

**HEARING:** 

05/07/2007 10:00 am

**SUMMARY:** 

Requires, with exceptions, that a city or county divert from landfill disposal or transformation no less than 75% of all solid waste, through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities. Makes nonsubstantive technical changes.

STATUS:

04/30/2007

In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Not heard.

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<u>Staff</u> <u>Subject</u> Mary ESJPA

CA SB 1021

**AUTHOR:** 

Padilla (D)

TITLE:

Beverage Containers: Grants

COMMITTEE:

Senate Appropriations Committee

HEARING:

05/07/2007 10:00 am

SUMMARY:

Authorizes the Department of Conservation to expend funding to provide grants to local governments or nonprofit agencies to place source separated beverage container recycling receptacles in multifamily housing.

STATUS:

04/30/2007

In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Not heard.

<u>Analyst</u> Nick <u>Lobbyist</u> Paul Position Support <u>Staff</u> Mary

<u>Subject</u>

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# **Complete Text of Selected Solid Waste Bills**

AB 501 Swanson Pharmaceutical devices

AB 712 De Leon Solid waste fee increase

AB 1193 Ruskin Mercury-added thermostats: collection program

• AB 1195 Torrico Recycling: used oil: payment

SB 966 Kuehl Pharmaceutical drug disposal

SB 1016 Wiggins Diversion: annual report

SB 1020 Padilla Solid waste: diversion

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## AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 30, 2007

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007–08 REGULAR SESSION

### **ASSEMBLY BILL**

No. 501

# Introduced by Assembly Members Swanson and Hancock

February 20, 2007

An act to add Section-119404 118288 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to pharmaceutical devices.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 501, as amended, Swanson. Pharmaceutical devices.

The existing Medical Waste Management Act, administered by the State Department of Health Services, regulates the management and handling of medical waste, as defined. Effective July 1, 2007, these duties will be transferred to the State Department of Public Health. Under existing law, certain items, such as home-generated sharps waste, as defined, are specifically excluded from the definition of medical waste. The act also prohibits, on or after September 1, 2008, a person from knowingly placing home-generated sharps waste in certain types of containers, provides that home-generated sharps waste is to be transported only in a sharps container, as defined, or other container approved by the department or local enforcement agency, and requires this waste to only be managed at specified locations consistent with existing law.

This bill would require a pharmaceutical company whose product is dispensed through a prefilled syringe, prefilled pen needle, or other prefilled injection device to provide each person for whom the product is prescribed with a specified method for the patient to safely dispose of the syringe, pen needle, or other injection device.

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Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no-yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the 2 following:

(a) An estimated 1 million Californians must self-inject prescription medications annually to treat a broad range of serious

5 health problems.

- (b) The use of prefilled syringes, pens, and devices with needles is an effective method of prescription drug delivery and is expected to increase significantly in the future. Prefilled syringes, pens, and devices with needles are clearly identified and linked to specific pharmaceutical manufacturers for the provision of their product to California residents.
- (c) The increased use of prefilled syringes, pens, and devices with needles will generate millions of home-generated sharps each year. Prefilled pen needles are being used for the treatment of some of the most serious health conditions such as HIV/AIDS, hepatitis C, and many other diseases. If improperly disposed in solid waste and recycling containers these needles will result in significant public health risks.
- (d) The Legislature has found that sharps mail-back programs utilizing containers and packaging approved by the United States Postal Service offer one of the most convenient means for collecting and destroying home-generated sharps and that the cooperative efforts of the pharmaceutical industry is needed to develop a safe needle disposal system for California.

SEC. 2. Section 119404 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:

119404. (a) Every pharmaceutical company whose product is dispensed through a prefilled syringe, prefilled pen needle, or other prefilled injection device shall provide each person for whom the product is prescribed in this state with a method described in this section to safely dispose of the syringe, pen needle, or other injection device. If the person receives this syringe, pen needle, or other injection device as part of a patient starter kit, the pharmaceutical company shall make available to the person, at no additional charge, a postage prepaid, mail-back sharps container

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by including this container or a coupon for this container in the patient starter kit or by providing the person with a distribution point chosen by the pharmaceutical company. The pharmaceutical company shall also make available, at no additional charge and through an annually renewable program, postage prepaid, mail-back sharps containers to any person who uses this pharmaceutical company's product.

SEC. 2. Section 118288 is added to the Health and Safety Code,

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(a) Effective January 1, 2008, pharmaceutical 118288. manufacturers whose product is dispensed via a prefilled syringe, prefilled pen needle, or other prefilled injection device shall provide each new patient for whom the product is dispensed in this state with a method described in this section to safely dispose of the prefilled syringe, prefilled pen needle, or other prefilled injection device after it is used. If the new patient receives this prefilled syringe, prefilled pen needle, or other prefilled injection device as part of the patient's treatment, the pharmaceutical manufacturer shall make available to the new patient, at no additional charge, a postage prepaid, mail-back sharps container, or an alternative safe needle disposal method. The safe needle disposal method shall be accountable and substantiated by documented evidence that these prefilled syringes, prefilled pen needles, and prefilled devices are being disposed of properly and are diverted from the solid waste stream. If using a mail-back container as a safe needle disposal method of choice, the container shall be approved by the United States Postal Service and State Department of Public Health.

(b) The pharmaceutical manufacturer shall also make available, at no additional charge, an annually renewable program which provides postage prepaid mail-back sharps containers or an alternative disposal method to any person who continues to use the pharmaceutical manufacturer's product.

(c) This section shall not apply to drugs compounded or

dispensed for use within a hospital.

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(d) For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) "Coupon" means any written material that allows a person who uses a pharmaceutical company's product pursuant to a

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1 prescription to receive a postage prepaid, mail-back sharps 2 container from a distribution point chosen by the pharmaceutical 3 company.

(2) "New patient" means a new start or treatment-naive patient who is initiating self-injected drug therapy.

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- (3) "Patient starter kit" means a package of educational, training, or otherwise instructional materials prepared by, or on behalf of, the pharmaceutical company to educate a person on how to safely use the pharmaceutical company's self-injectable pharmaceutical product.
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- 13 (4) "Sharps container" has the same meaning as in Section 14 117750.

# AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MAY 2, 2007 AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 10, 2007

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007–08 REGULAR SESSION

#### ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 712

# Introduced by Assembly Member De Leon

February 22, 2007

An act to add Chapter 9.2 (commencing with Section 44299.25) to Part 5 of Division 26 of, and to repeal Sections 44299.27, 44299.28, 44299.29, 44299.31, and 44299.32 of, the Health and Safety Code, relating to air pollution.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 712, as amended, De Leon. Off-road solid waste and recycling vehicle clean air program.

Existing law requires the State Air Resources Board to adopt standards and regulations for off-road or nonvehicle engines, and to identify toxic air contaminants and establish airborne toxic control measures for toxic air contaminants.

Existing law requires each operator of a solid waste disposal facility to pay a quarterly fee to the State Board of Equalization.

This bill would require, commencing April 1, 2008, a person disposing of solid waste at a disposal facility that is subject to the quarterly fee described above to pay a fee of \$0.50 for each ton of solid waste submitted for disposal at the facility. The operator of the facility would be required to collect the fees and submit the fees to the State Board of Equalization, which would be required to transfer the fees to the Off-Road Solid Waste and Recycling Vehicle Clean Air Account, which the bill would establish within the Air Pollution Control Fund.

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The bill would require the state board State Air Resources Board to expend the funds deposited in the account, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to pay an operator of an off-road solid waste and recycling vehicle, as defined, for the operator's eligible actual costs of complying with a specified-state-board State Air Resources Board regulation, if adopted, not including costs that have previously been paid with public funds. The state board California Integrated Waste Management Board would also be required to award grants up to a total amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 per year for demonstration projects that advance the commercialization of technologies that generate renewable transportation fuels from solid waste or recovered landfill gas and reduce greenhouse gases, and the distribution of these fuels, and projects that demonstrate the viability of using alternative fuels in off-road equipment, upon appropriation, for projects that divert organic materials from disposal in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from landfills. The state board State Air Resources Board would be required to report annually to the Legislature on the expenditures from the account and the emission reductions estimated to have been achieved by these expenditures. The provisions of the bill relating to imposition of the fee would be repealed January 1, 2019 2015, and the bill would require funds then remaining in the account to be used for certain research and demonstration projects.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the 1 2 following:

(a) The State Air Resources Board identified diesel particulate 3 matter as a toxic air contaminant in 1998 and adopted a Diesel 4 Risk Reduction Plan in 2000 to reduce particulate matter emissions 5

from diesel-fueled engines and vehicles in order to reduce cancer 7

risks by 75 percent.

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(b) The State Air Resources Board has proposed the adoption of a specific control measure that will require all diesel-fueled off-road vehicles, including those used by the solid waste and recycling industry, to use prescribed emission control strategies to retrofit, replace, or repower existing vehicles and engines to

reduce particulate matter emissions. 13

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(c) It is the goal of this program to ensure the maximum feasible reduction in both particulate matter and nitrogen oxides emissions.

- (d) The funding mechanism established by this act is intended to (1) ensure that California benefits immediately from the most effective technologies to reduce both particulate matter and oxides of nitrogen emissions as well as greenhouse gas emissions from solid waste and recycling diesel fueled off-road vehicles. (2) encourage the early implementation of the proposed in-use off-road vehicle control measure by the solid waste and recycling industry. (3) promote projects that will demonstrate the commercial viability of producing clean transportation fuels from municipal solid waste and recovered landfill gas as a means of reducing both criteria air pollutants and greenhouse gas emissions from both on-road and off-road-vehicles, and (4) support projects that demonstrate the viability of using alternative fuels in off-road equipment, including solid-waste and recycling vehicles: and (3) promote projects that divert organic materials from disposal in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from landfills.
- (e) Given the magnitude of the diesel emission reduction requirements proposed by the State Air Resources Board and the need for timely and effective implementation, it is in the public interest to establish a temporary fee on persons disposing of solid waste for the sole purpose of reducing emissions from solid waste and recycling diesel-fueled off-road vehicles, promoting the production, distribution, and use of clean nonfossil fuels within California's solid waste and recycling industry, and demonstrating the viability of using alternative fuels in off-road equipment reducing greenhouse gas emissions from landfills.
- (f) It is the intent of the Legislature that financial assistance be provided through the fee revenues generated by this act to all public and private operators of solid waste and recycling diesel-fueled off-road vehicles that are subject to the State Air Resources Board's proposed off-road vehicle control measure.
- (g) The imposition of a fee on persons disposing of solid waste at disposal facilities pursuant to this act would not result in the imposition of a tax within the meaning of Section 3 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution, because the amount and nature of the fee has a fair and reasonable relationship to the adverse environmental burdens imposed by the operation of off-road solid waste and recycling vehicles and there is a sufficient

nexus between the fees imposed and the use of those fees to support programs that reduce the diesel particulate matter and nitrogen oxides emissions caused by those vehicles.

SEC. 2. Chapter 9.2 (commencing with Section 44299.25) is added to Part 5 of Division 26 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

# Chapter 9.2. Off-Road Solid Waste and Recycling Vehicle Clean Air Program

- 44299.25. For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply:
- (a) "Account" means the Off-Road Solid Waste and Recycling Vehicle Clean Air Account established pursuant to Section 44299.26.
- (b) "Disposal facility" means disposal facility as defined in Section 40121 of the Public Resources Code.
  - (c) "NO<sub>x</sub>" means oxides of nitrogen.
- (d) "Off-road solid waste and recycling vehicle" means an off-highway motor vehicle as defined in Section 38006 of the Vehicle Code that operates with a diesel fueled compression ignition engine with maximum power of 25 horsepower or greater that is used for the purpose of transferring, processing or disposing of solid waste, for construction or maintenance activities at a solid waste facility, or for transferring and processing recyclable materials.
- (e) "Operator of an off-road solid waste and recycling vehicle" means either of the following:
- (1) A city, county, city and county, or special district that operates off-road solid waste and recycling vehicles.
- (2) An individual, firm, limited liability company, partnership, private corporation, or nonprofit entity that operates off-road solid waste and recycling vehicles in the business of transferring, processing or disposing of solid waste, or transferring and processing recyclable materials pursuant to a contract, franchise, license, permit, or other authorization granted by a public agency.
  - (f) "PM" means particulate matter.
- (g) "Recycling" means recycling as defined in Section 40180 of the Public Resources Code.

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(h) "Solid waste" means solid waste as defined in Section 40191 of the Public Resources Code.

44299.26. The Off-Road Solid Waste and Recycling Vehicle Clean Air Account is hereby established within the Air Pollution Control Fund, to be administered by the state board.

- 44299.27. (a) On and after April 1, 2008, a person disposing of solid waste at a disposal facility that is subject to the requirements of Section 48000 of the Public Resources Code, shall pay a fee of 50 cents (\$0.50) for each ton of solid waste submitted for disposal at the solid waste disposal facility.
- (b) The operator of the solid waste disposal facility shall collect the fee paid pursuant to subdivision (a) and shall submit the fee to the State Board of Equalization in a manner consistent with the manner in which the fee created by Section 48000 of the Public Resources Code is submitted. For the purposes of this subdivision "operator" has the same meaning described in Section 40160 of the Public Resources Code.
- (c) The State Board of Equalization shall transfer the fees collected pursuant to this section to the account. All fees collected by the State Board of Equalization shall be collected and administered by the State Board of Equalization in a manner consistent with Part 23 (commencing with Section 45001) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- (d) The state board shall reduce the fee imposed pursuant to this section if it determines that projected revenues will exceed projected demands for payment and shall notify the appropriate policy committees of the Legislature if the state board projects that the fee will generate inadequate revenues to meet anticipated demands for payment.
- (e) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2019, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2019, deletes or extends that date.
- 44299.28. (a) The state board shall expend the funds deposited in the account, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to assist an operator of an off-road solid waste and recycling vehicle in paying for the operator's eligible actual costs of complying with regulations to reduce diesel PM and criteria air pollutant emissions from in-use off-road vehicles, contained in Section 2449 of Title 13 of the California Code of Regulations, upon the adoption of

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these regulations, including the operator's early implementation of these regulations prior to their adoption. The costs the state board may help pay include, but are not limited to, any of the following:

- (1) The reasonable cost of the best available control technology to reduce diesel PM emissions from off-road solid waste and recycling vehicles, including the cost of installation.
- (2) The reasonable cost of the best available control technology to reduce NO<sub>x</sub> emissions from off-road solid waste and recycling vehicles, including the cost of installation.
- (3) The reasonable cost of purchasing and installing engine backpressure monitors and similar devices approved by the state board if required for the safe and effective use of the best available control technology device on off-road solid waste and recycling vehicles.
- (b) The state board shall also award grants up to a total amount not to exceed four million dollars (\$4,000,000) per year for demonstration projects that advance the commercialization of technologies that generate renewable transportation fuels from solid waste or recovered landfill gas and reduce greenhouse gases, and the distribution of these fuels, and projects that demonstrate the viability of using alternative fuels in off-road equipment.

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 (b) The state board shall, after at least one public hearing, develop and adopt guidelines and an appropriate process for equitably distributing available funds from the account including funding levels for retrofit, repower, replacement, and other best available control technologies to achieve the greatest and most cost-effective levels of PM and NO<sub>x</sub> reductions, and equitably distributing available funds from the account for best available control technologies based on the use of alternative fuels, and awarding grant funds for demonstration projects.

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(c) The state board shall expend, upon appropriation by the Legislature, no more than 4 percent of the funds deposited each fiscal year in the account for purposes of administering this chapter including those actual and necessary costs incurred by the State Board of Equalization for the collection of the fee authorized by this chapter.

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(d) (1) The state board shall transfer an amount not to exceed four million dollars (\$4,000,000) per year from the account to the Integrated Waste Management Account created by Section 48001 of the Public Resources Code.

(2) (A) The California Integrated Waste Management Board shall, upon appropriation by the Legislature from the funds deposited into the Integrated Waste Management Account pursuant to paragraph (1), award grants for projects that divert organic materials from disposal in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from landfills.

(B) Eligible projects include all of the following:

(i) Compost and mulch programs and market development of these programs.

(ii) Food waste management programs and market development

of these programs.

(iii) Energy and fuel production, including anaerobic digestion, hydrolysis, and landfill gas to energy. Eligible projects shall not include thermal technologies.

(C) The California Integrated Waste Management Board shall expend no more than 4 percent of the funds transferred to the Integrated Waste Management Account pursuant to paragraph (1) for administering the program created by this subdivision.

(e) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2019 2015, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2019 2015, deletes or extends that date.

44299.29. (a) The state board shall develop and distribute a one-page form for the operator of an off-road solid waste and recycling vehicle to document the actual costs of the operator for which payment is sought. The state board shall include with the form, instructions for submitting to the state board an invoice and documentation to request payment for eligible costs.

(b) The state board shall not pay an operator of an off-road solid waste and recycling vehicle for costs that have previously been paid with funds awarded by a federal agency, the state board, a local air pollution control or air quality management district, or with any other source of public funds for the cost of deploying, retrofitting, or repowering off-road solid waste and recycling vehicles with best available control technologies. When submitting an invoice to the state board, an operator shall deduct, from the

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 total cost of the best available control technology, the amount of any costs paid for with public grant funds awarded to, or previously received by, the operator.

- (c) To the extent practical, the state board shall make the payments to an eligible operator within 30 working days of receiving a complete invoice and required documentation.
- (d) The state board may adopt regulations to implement this section.
- (e) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2019 2015, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2019 2015, deletes or extends that date.
- 44299.30. (a) If an operator of an off-road solid waste and recycling vehicle knowingly submits false information to the state board concerning the eligibility for the payment of funds pursuant to this chapter, the state board shall, within 60 days of making this determination, refer the information to the Attorney General for investigation and appropriate action pursuant to the False Claims Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 12650) of Chapter 6 of Part 2 of Division 3 of the Government Code).
- (b) The state board shall keep accurate books, records, and accounts on all disbursements from the account and may audit invoices received from operators of off-road solid waste and recycling vehicles to substantiate that payments made by the state board are those eligible for payment pursuant to this chapter.
- 44299.31. (a) Beginning no later than January 1, 2009, the state board shall report annually to the Legislature on the expenditures from the account and the emission reductions estimated to have been achieved by these expenditures.
- (b) On or before January 1, 2009, the state board shall submit to the appropriate policy committees of the Legislature an assessment of whether the funding program created by this chapter would be more effectively implemented through air pollution control districts and air quality management districts in a manner similar to the Carl Moyer Memorial Air Quality Standards Attainment Program created by Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 44275).
- 38 (c) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2019 2015, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute,

that is enacted before January 1, 2019 2015, deletes or extends that date.

44299.32. (a) The program implemented pursuant to this chapter shall be fully supported from the fees collected pursuant to Section 44299.27. Notwithstanding the scope of activity mandated by this chapter, in no event shall this chapter be interpreted to require services necessitating expenditures in a fiscal year in excess of the fees, and earnings therefrom, collected pursuant to Section 44299.27. This chapter shall be implemented only to the extent that fee revenues generated pursuant to Section 44299.27 are available for expenditure for purposes of this chapter. The fees collected pursuant to this chapter, and the earnings therefrom, shall be used solely for the purpose of implementing this chapter.

(b) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2019 2015, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2019 2015, deletes or extends that date

18 that date.

44299.33. On and after January 1,—2019 2015, if any unexpended funds are available in the account, those funds shall be expended by the state board for—additional research and demonstration projects related to innovative technologies to further reduce criteria air pollutants and greenhouse gas emissions from on-road and off-road solid waste and recycling vehicles.

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# AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MARCH 29, 2007

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE-2007-08 REGULAR SESSION

#### **ASSEMBLY BILL**

No. 1193

### Introduced by Assembly Member Ruskin

February 23, 2007

An act to add Article 10.2.2 (commencing with Section 25214.8.10) to Chapter 6.5 of Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to hazardous waste.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1193, as amended, Ruskin. Mercury-added thermostats: collection

program.

(1) Existing law prohibits, on and after January 1, 2006, a person from selling, offering to sell, or distributing for promotional purposes, in this state, a mercury-added thermostat, as defined, unless the mercury-added thermostat meets specified criteria. A violation of the hazardous waste control laws is a crime.

This bill would enact the Mercury Thermostat Collection Act of 2007 and would require a manufacturer that sold mercury-added thermostats in this state before January 1, 2006, and that sells thermostats in this state on and after January 1, 2008, to establish and maintain a collection and recycling program for out-of-service mercury-added thermostats. The act would prohibit a manufacturer from selling a thermostat in this state on and after July 1, 2008, unless the manufacturer complies with the act and would prohibit a person, on and after July 1, 2008, from selling a thermostat in this state if the manufacturer of that thermostat is subject to, and is not in compliance with, the act. Since a violation of the act's requirements would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program by creating new crimes.

The bill would require a collection and recycling program for out-of-service mercury-added thermostats to meet certain requirements, including achieving an annual rate for the collection of mercury from mercury-added thermostats that become waste in that year and implementing a manufacturer financial incentive plan providing a financial incentive for the return of each mercury-added thermostat to an authorized mercury-added thermostat collection point. The Department of Toxic Substances Control would be required, by July 1, 2008, to adopt regulations for the establishment and implementation of the manufacturer financial incentive plan, collection and recycling programs, which would require on and after January 1, 2009, that a financial incentive be provided for the collection of mercury-added thermostats from contractors and service technicians, and on and after January 1, 2010, that a financial incentive be provided for the collection of mercury-added thermostats from homeowners. The bill would require the financial incentive to be set at a minimum of \$5, but would require the department to decrease that amount if it makes a certain determination.

The bill would prohibit on and after January 1, 2009, a wholesaler or retailer from selling a thermostat in the state unless the wholesaler or retailer acts as a collection site for out-of-service mercury-added thermostats. Each wholesaler and retailer would be required to distribute the educational and outreach materials developed by manufacturers to the customers of that wholesaler or retailer. The bill would require the department, by January 1, 2009, to notify each person whom the department determines is a wholesaler and, not less than once every 3 months thereafter, to notify all persons who commences operations as a wholesaler.

The department would be authorized to adopt regulations to require a collection and recycling program to achieve, on and after January 1, 2015, a collection rate for mercury-added thermostats that is greater than 80%.

The act would require each program to submit an annual report to the department regarding the collection of mercury-added thermostats and the department would be required to submit an annual report to the Legislature post information on its Internet Web site on the implementation of the act in collecting and recycling mercury-added thermostats.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act

for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Article 10.2.2 (commencing with Section 25214.8.10) is added to Chapter 6.5 of Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

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Article 10.2.2. Mercury Thermostat Collection Act of 2007

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25214.8.10. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

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- (1) According to a 2004 study by the Environmental Protection Agency, more than 10 percent of the estimated mercury reservoir still currently in use in the United States resides in mercury-added thermostats.
- (2) State law bans the sale of new mercury-added thermostats for most uses after January 1, 2006, but the long lifetime of thermostats means that many of them are still in use.
- (3) State law bans disposal of mercury-added thermostats in solid waste landfills, but a system for collecting and recycling mercury-added thermostats at the end of their useful lives has not been established.

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(4) In 2000, the largest thermostat makers, General Electric, Honeywell and White Rodgers, established the Thermostat Recycling Corporation (TRC) to run a program for collecting waste mercury-added thermostats. Under the TRC program, thermostat wholesalers volunteer to place bins where heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) contractors can drop off thermostats.

(4) Currently, less than \_\_\_\_

(5) Currently, less than 5 percent of the mercury-added thermostats removed from buildings in state is turned in to the TRC collection program, according to TRC collection estimates.

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(6) Companies that historically manufactured and sold mercury-added thermostats in California before 2006 have a responsibility to recover discarded mercury thermostats and assure that they are properly handled and recycled.

(b) This article shall be known, and may be cited, as the

"Mercury Thermostat Collection Act of 2007."

25214.8.11. For purposes of this article, the following definitions shall apply:

- (a) "Manufacturer" means a business concern that sold mercury-added thermostats in this state before January 1, 2006, that were made by the business concern, and that sells thermostats in this state that are made by that business concern, on and after January 1, 2008, that are not mercury-added thermostats.
- (b) "Mercury-added thermostat" has the same meaning as defined in paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) of Section 25214.8.1.
- (c) "Out-of-service mercury added thermostat" means a mercury-added thermostat that is removed from a building or facility in this state and is intended to be discarded.
- (d) "Retailer" means a person who sells thermostats of any kind directly to a homeowner or other nonprofessional through a selling or distribution mechanism, including, but not limited to, a sale using catalogs or the Internet. A retailer may also be a wholesaler if the person meets the definition of wholesaler.

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- (e) "Thermostat" means a product or device that uses a switch to sense and control room temperature through communication with heating, ventilating, or air-conditioning equipment. "Thermostat" includes a thermostat used to sense and control room temperature in residential, commercial, industrial, and other buildings, but does not include a thermostat used to sense and control temperature as part of a manufacturing process.
- (f) "Wholesaler" means a person who is notified by the department pursuant to Section 25214.8.14, and whom the department determines is engaged in the distribution and wholesale selling of significant quantities of heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning components to contractors who install heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning components.
- (g) "Universal waste rules" means the regulations adopted by the department for the management of universal waste, pursuant

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to this chapter, as found in Chapter 23 (commencing with Section 66273.1) of Division 4.5 of Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations.

 25214.8.12. (a) A manufacturer shall not sell a thermostat in this state on and after July 1, 2008, unless the manufacturer establishes and maintains a collection and recycling program for out-of-service mercury-added thermostats in compliance with this article. The collection and recycling program may be established by an individual manufacturer or collectively with other manufacturers, but the program shall meet all of the requirements of Section 25214.8.13.

- (b) On and after July 1, 2008, a person shall not sell a thermostat in this state if the manufacturer of that thermostat is subject to, and is not in compliance with, this article.
- 25214.8.13. A collection and recycling program for out-of-service mercury-added thermostats shall meet all of the following requirements, in accordance with the regulations adopted by the department pursuant to this article:
- (a) The program achieves the following rate of collection of mercury-added thermostats:
- (1) On and after January 1, 2009, the program annually collects no less than 125 pounds of mercury annually from mercury-added thermostats. than 50 percent of the mercury-added thermostats that become waste in that year, as determined by the department.
- (2) On and after January 1, 2012, the program annually collects no less that 160 pounds of mercury annually from mercury-added thermostats: than 80 percent of the mercury-added thermostats that become waste in that year, as determined by the department.
- (3) On and after January 1, 2015, the percentage collection rate established by the department, if the department adopts regulations pursuant to Section 25214.8.16.
- (b) The mercury-added thermostats collected by the program are collected, handled, and recycled in compliance with this chapter and the regulations adopted pursuant to this chapter.
- (c) Authorized bins for mercury-added thermostat collection are made available at all heating, ventilation, and air conditioning supply locations, electrical supply locations, and plumbing supply distributor locations that sell thermostats that are sold by a manufacturer subject to this article: are made available at all wholesalers and retailers.

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(d) On and after January 1, 2009, the program makes available authorized bins for mercury-added thermostat collection to any local agency that requests a bin for mercury-added thermostat collection at a household hazardous waste collection facility or event, if the facility or event is authorized by the department for the collection of mercury-added thermostat.

- (e) The program develops educational and outreach materials aimed at contractors and homeowners, and makes those materials available to wholesalers, retailers, and household hazardous waste programs. These materials may include, but are not limited to, one or more of the following:
- (1) Signage that is prominently displayed and easily visible to the consumer.
- (2) Written materials provided to the consumer at the time of purchase, or delivery, or both.
- (3) Reference to the recycling opportunity in advertising or other promotional materials, or both.
- (4) Direct communications with the consumer at the time of purchase.

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- (f) (1) On and after January 1, 2009, the program implements phase 1 of the manufacturer financial incentive plan adopted by the department, by providing a financial incentive for the return of each mercury-added thermostat by a contractor or service technician to an authorized mercury-added thermostat collection point.
- (2) On and after January 1, 2010, the program implements phase 2 of the manufacturer financial incentive plan adopted by the department, by providing a financial incentive for the return of each mercury-added thermostat by a homeowner to an authorized mercury-added thermometer thermostat collection point.

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- (g) On and after January 30, 2008, and by January 30 annually thereafter, the program submits an annual report to the department that includes all of the following:
- (1) The number of mercury-added thermostats collected and recycled by the program pursuant to this article during the previous calendar year.

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(2) The estimated total amount of mercury contained in the thermostat components collected by the program pursuant to this article.

- (3) An evaluation of the effectiveness of the program and the financial incentives provided pursuant to subdivision (e) (f).
- (4) An accounting of the administrative costs incurred in the course of administering the program and the financial incentive plan developed pursuant to subdivision—(e) (f).
- (5) Copies, in an electronic format, of outreach and educational materials used by the program.
- 25214.8.14. (a) On and after January 1, 2009, a wholesaler or retailer shall not sell a thermostat in the state unless the wholesaler or retailer acts as a collection site for out-of-service mercury-added thermostats.
- (b) A wholesaler or retailer shall comply with subdivision (a) by taking one of the following actions:
- (1) Participate as a collection site in a manufacturer collection and recycling program conducted pursuant to Section 25214.8.13.
- (2) Collect out-of-service mercury-added thermostats and ensure the recycling of those collected thermostats in accordance with the universal waste rules.
- (c) Each wholesaler and retailer shall distribute the educational and outreach materials developed by manufacturers pursuant to Section 25214.8.13, to the customers of that wholesaler or retailer.
- (d) On or before January 1, 2009, the department shall notify each person whom the department determines is a wholesaler for purposes of this article. Not less than once every three months thereafter, the department shall notify all persons who commence operations as a wholesaler.
- 25214.8.14. On or before July 1, 2008, the department shall adopt regulations for the establishment and implementation of a manufacturer financial incentive plan, which shall be developed in accordance with all of the following:
- (a) (1) Phase 1 of the plan shall require, on and after January 1, 2009, a financial incentive to be provided for the collection of mercury-added thermostats from contractors and service technicians.
- (2) Phase 2 of the plan shall require, on and after January 1, 2010, a financial incentive to be provided for the collection of mercury-added thermostats from homeowners.

- (b) The department shall develop the plan in consultation with a stakeholder group that includes representatives from the thermostat industry, environmental groups, thermostat wholesalers, and service contractors.
- 25214.8.15. (a) On or before July 1, 2008, the department shall adopt regulations governing the manufacturer collection and recycling program required to be established pursuant to this article.
- (1) Phase 1 of the regulations shall require, on and after January 1, 2009, a financial incentive to be provided by a manufacturer for the collection of mercury-added thermostats from contractors and service technicians.
- (2) Phase 2 of the regulations shall require, on and after January 1, 2010, a financial incentive to be provided by a manufacturer for the collection of mercury-added thermostats from homeowners.
- (b) The regulations shall specify the methods used for determining the collection rates required by Section 25214.8.13.
- (c) The department shall develop the regulations in consultation with representatives from local governments, manufacturers, environmental groups, retailers, wholesalers, and service contractors.

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- (d) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), the plan shall require that a financial incentive with a minimum value of five dollars (\$5) be provided to each eligible person who returns a mercury-added thermostat to an authorized collection point.
- (2) The department shall decrease the amount of the financial incentive required to be provided pursuant to this section if it determines that the five dollar (\$5) financial incentive is excessive and unreasonable, in which case the department shall set the amount of the financial incentive in a fair and reasonable amount needed to encourage the return of mercury-added thermostats.
- (3) The financial incentive may include, but is not limited to, cash, rebates, discounts, coupons, or other incentives, as approved by the department.

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38 (e) The plan shall ensure, to the maximum extent practical, that 39 all of the following occur:

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(1) The plan maximizes the capture rate of out-of-service mercury-added thermostats.

- (2) The plan provides adequate incentives and education to contractors, service technicians, and homeowners to encourage return of thermostats to established recycling collection points.
  - (3) The plan minimizes administrative costs.
- (4) The plan encourages the purchase of nonmercury thermostats that qualify for the Energy Star program of the Environmental Protection Agency, as replacements for mercury-added thermostats.
- (5) The plan includes mechanisms to protect against the fraudulent return of thermostats.
- 25214.8.16. The department may adopt regulations to require a collection and recycling program for out-of-service mercury-added thermostats to achieve, on and after January 1, 2015, an annual collection rate of mercury-added thermostats that become waste in a year that is greater than 80 percent.

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- 25214.8.17. On and before July 1, 2008, and on or before July 1 annually thereafter, the department shall—submit a report to the Legislature post on its Internet Web site information on the implementation of this article in collecting and recycling mercury-added thermostats in the state.
- (a) The report submitted on July 1, 2008, information shall include a description and discussion of the financial incentive plan proposed to be established pursuant to this article and recommendations for any statutory changes concerning the collection and recycling of mercury-added thermostats.
- (b) The reports submitted on and after July 1, 2009, On and after July 1, 2009, the information shall include an evaluation of thermostat collection and recycling programs established pursuant to this article, information on actual collection rates, and recommendations for any statutory changes concerning the collection and recycling of mercury-added thermostats.
- (c) The information posted shall also include the annual report submitted by the program pursuant to subdivision (g) of Section 25214.8.13.
- SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or

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2	for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of
3	the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within
4	the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California
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## AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 18, 2007 AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 9, 2007

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2007-08 REGULAR SESSION

#### ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1195

### **Introduced by Assembly Member Torrico**

February 23, 2007

An act to add Section 25250.29 to the Health and Safety Code, and to amend Section 48651 of the Public Resources Code, relating to recycling.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1195, as amended, Torrico. Recycling: used oil: payment.

(1) Existing law requires the California Integrated Waste Management Board to pay a recycling incentive to specified entities for the collection of used oil that is transported to a used oil recycling facility. An entity that generates used industrial oil or a facility that accepts used oil is required to transport the used oil to a certified used oil facility or a registered out-of-state recycling facility.

This bill would prohibit the payment of the recycling incentive for any used oil transported out of state. A generator of used Used oil who transports the used oil to an out-of-state recycling facility would be required to have the used oil be tested and analyzed by a na accredited laboratory to ensure the used oil meets specified criteria. Used oil that is collected by a registered hazardous waste transporter using a consolidated manifesting procedure may be tested and analyzed by the transporter or by a transfer facility permitted by the Department of Toxic Substances Control. The generator of the used oil, a registered hazardous waste transporter, a transfer facility permitted by the

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Department of Toxic Substances Control, or a recycling facility permitted by that department would be required to accomplish the testing and analysis. The generator or registered hazardous waste transporter would be required to submit to the department annually a report containing specified information regarding the out-of-state shipment of used oil. Because a violation of the requirements on out-of-state shipment of used oil is a crime, this bill would create a state-mandated local program.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 25250.29 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:
- 25250.29. (a) Used oil transported to an out-of-state recycling facility registered with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) shall be tested and analyzed by an accredited laboratory prior to shipment out of state, or prior to recycling at a recycling facility permitted by the department pursuant to this chapter, to ensure that the used oil has all of the following characteristics:
  - (1) A flashpoint below above 100 degrees Fahrenheit.
- 11 (2) A polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) concentration of at less than 5 ppm.
  - (3) A concentration total halogens of 1000 ppm or less unless the presumption in subclause (I) of clause (v) of subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 25250.1 has been rebutted pursuant to subclause (II) of clause (v) of subparagraph (C) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 25250.1.
- 18 (b) The testing and analysis required pursuant to subdivision 19 (a) shall be accomplished by one of the following:
- 20 (b) (1) Except as provide in paragraph (2),
- 21 (1) By the generator of the used oil-shall be responsible for testing and analysis required by subdivision (a) prior to shipment.

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(2) Testing and analysis of used oil that is collected by By a registered hazardous waste transporter using the consolidated manifesting procedure in accordance with the provisions of Section 25160.2 may be performed by the transporter or by after collection.

(3) By a transfer facility permitted by the department pursuant to this chapter prior to or after consolidation in a tank, prior to shipment.

(4) By a recycling facility permitted by the department pursuant to this chapter, prior to or after consolidation in a tank, prior to recycling.

- (c) Records of tests performed for-out-of-state shipments of used oil pursuant to subdivision (b) shall be maintained for three years and are subject to audit and verification by the department or the board.
- (d) A generator or registered hazardous waste hauler who is listed as the generator on the Uniform Hazardous Waste Manifest used to ship used oil out of state shall submit a report, on or before March 1st of each year, to the department, containing all of the following information for the preceding year:
  - (1) Total volume of used oil shipped out of state.
- (2) Date of each shipment of used oil out of state.
- (3) Uniform Hazardous Waste Manifest tracking number used to ship used oil out of the state.
- (4) Volume of used oil shipped out of state listed on each manifest.
- (5) Information pertaining to the out-of-state facility to which the used oil was shipped including facility name, facility address, and facility EPA ID number.
- (6) Transporter name and EPA ID number used to transport used oil out of the state.
- (7) Signed certification that all used oil shipped out of the state was analyzed and conformed to the requirements of subdivision (a).
  - (8) Any other information which the department may require.
- (e) This section does not prohibit the transportation of used oil to a facility located outside the state, or to impose liability other than compliance with the requirements in this section upon, or in any other way affect the liability of a generator whose used oil is transported to a facility located outside the state.

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SEC. 2. Section 48651 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

- 48651. (a) The board shall pay a recycling incentive to every industrial generator, curbside collection program, and certified used oil collection center, for used lubricating oil collected from the public, or generated by the certified used oil collection center or the industrial generator, and transported by a used oil hauler to the facilities specified in Section 48623 with the exception of out-of-state recycling facilities. The board shall not pay a recycling incentive for any used oil transported out of the state.
- (b) A person or entity that generates used industrial oil or a used oil storage facility or a used oil transfer facility that accepts used oil shall cause that oil to be transported by a used oil hauler to a certified used oil recycling facility or an out-of-state recycling facility registered with the Environmental Protection Agency and operating in substantial compliance with applicable regulatory standards of the state in which the recycling facility is located.
- SEC. 3. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California Constitution because the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIIIB of the California
- 26 Constitution.

No. 966

## Introduced by Senators Simitian and Kuehl

February 23, 2007

An act to add Chapter 6.9.2 (commencing with Section 25400.50) to Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to pharmaceuticals.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 966, as amended, Simitian. Pharmaceutical drug disposal. Existing law requires the Department of Toxic Substances Control to take renewal actions with respect to a hazardous substance that is an illegal controlled substance, a precursor of a controlled substance, or a material intended to be used in the manufacture of controlled substances, and the department is authorized to expend funds appropriated from the Illegal Drug Lab Cleanup Account in the General Fund for this

purpose.

This bill would require every retailer of a drug, as defined, on and after July 1, 2008, to have in place a system for the acceptance and collection of drugs for proper disposal that includes specified elements. The bill would provide that its provisions shall not apply to a controlled substance, as defined.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 6.9.2 (commencing with Section 25400.50) is added to Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:

#### CHAPTER 6.9.2. DRUG DISPOSAL

25400.50. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:

- (a) The United States Geological Survey conducted a study in 2002 sampling 139 streams across 30 states and found that 80 percent had measurable concentrations of prescription and nonprescription drugs, steroids, and reproductive hormones.
- (b) Exposure, even to low levels of drugs, has been shown to have negative effects on fish and other aquatic species and may have negative effects on human health.
- (c) In order to reduce the likelihood of improper disposal of drugs, it is the purpose of this article chapter to establish a program through which the public may return and ensure the safe and environmentally sound disposal of drugs and may do so in a way that is convenient for consumers and cost effective for retailers.
- 25400.51. For the purposes of this article chapter, the following terms have the following meanings, unless the context clearly requires otherwise:
- (a) "Consumer" means an individual purchaser or owner of a drug. "Consumer" does not include a business, corporation, limited partnership, or an entity involved in a wholesale transaction between a distributor and retailer.
  - (b) "Drug" means any of the following:
- (1) Articles recognized in the official United States Pharmacopoeia, the official National Formulary, the official Homeopathic Pharmacopoeia of the United States, or any supplement of the formulary or those pharmacopoeia.
- (2) Articles intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in humans or other animals.
- (3) Articles, excluding food, intended to affect the structure or any function of the body of humans or other animals.
- (4) Articles intended for use as a component of any article specified in paragraph (1), (2), or (3).

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(e) "Retailer" means a person or entity who makes a retail sale of a drug to a consumer in this state. "Retailer" does not include a veterinarian that disposes of drugs that-he-or-she-did-not personally manufacture or sell.

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- (c) (1) "Retailer" means an entity that makes a retail sale of a drug to a consumer in this state and that meets either of the following requirements:
- (A) Meets the definition of a "supermarket," as defined in Section 14526.5 of the Public Resources Code.
- (B) Has over 10,000 square feet of retail space that generates sales or use tax pursuant to the Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law (Part 1.5 (commencing with Section 7200) of Division 2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code) and has a pharmacy licensed pursuant to Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 4000) of Division 2 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (2) "Retailer" does not include a veterinarian who disposes of drugs that he or she did not personally manufacture or sell.
- (d) "Sale" includes, but is not limited to, transactions conducted through sales outlets, catalogs, or the Internet, or any other similar electronic means, but does not include a sale that is a wholesale transaction with a distributor or retailer.
- 25400.52. (a) On and after July 1, 2008, every retailer shall have in place a system for the acceptance and collection of drugs for proper disposal.
- (b) A system for the acceptance and collection of drugs for proper disposal shall, at a minimum, include all of the following elements:
- (1) The take-back, at no cost to the consumer, of a drug, the type or brand of which the retailer sold or previously sold.
- (2) A notice to consumers that shall include informational materials, including, but not limited to, Internet Web site links or a telephone number, placed on the invoice or purchase order, or packaged with the drug, that provide consumers access to obtain more information about the opportunities and locations for no-cost drug-recycling disposal.
- (3) Information made available to consumers about drug return opportunities provided by the retailer and encouraging consumers to utilize those opportunities. This information may include, but

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- (A) Signage that is prominently displayed and easily visible to the consumer.
- (B) Written materials provided to the consumer at the time of purchase or delivery, or both.
- (C) Reference to the drug take-back opportunity in retailer advertising or other promotional materials, or both.
  - (D) Direct communications with the consumer at the time of purchase.
- (c) If a retailer is participating in an existing pharmaceutical drug take-back system and the system otherwise complies with the requirements of this article Chapter, the retailer may continue to participate in that existing program.
- to participate in that existing program.
  25400.53. This chapter shall not apply to a controlled substance,
  as defined in Section 11007.

### Introduced by Senator Wiggins

February 23, 2007

An act to amend Sections 41825 and 41850 of, and to add Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 41979) to Part 2 of Division 30 of, the Section 41821 of, and to add Section 41826 to, the Public Resources Code, relating to solid waste.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1016, as amended, Wiggins. Diversion: alternative compliance system. annual report.

The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, which is administered by the California Integrated Waste Management Board, requires each city, county, and regional agency, if any, to develop a source reduction and recycling element of an integrated waste management plan containing specified components. Those entities are required to divert, from disposal or transformation, 50% of the solid waste through source reduction, recycling, and composting subject to the element, except as specified. The board is required to review each city, county, or regional agency source reduction and recycling element and household hazardous waste element at least once every 2 years and is required to issue an order of compliance, if the board finds the city, county, or regional agency has failed to implement those elements. The board: in determining whether or not to impose any penalties on a city or county for violations of specified solid waste reduction and recycling requirements imposed by the act, is required to consider whether the iurisdiction has made a good faith effort to implement its source reduction and recycling element or its household hazardous waste SB 1016 -2-

element. A city, county, or regional agency is required to submit an annual report to the board summarizing its progress in reducing solid waste.

This bill would-enact the Alternative Diversion Compliance System Act, and would define terms. The act would require each city, county, and regional agency to implement the diversion programs set forth-in its source reduction and recycling element, as specified. The bill would require the diversion programs in the source reduction and recycling clement to prevent an increase in the countywide total tonnage of solid waste disposed by the cities in a county, and unincorporated area of the county, as compared to the base tonnage year, as defined, and would require the diversion programs to be implemented to prevent that increase. The board would be required to determine the tonnage of solid waste disposed of in each county and each regional agency, at least once every 2 years to determine whether or not the county has met the requirements regarding the prevention of an increase in the tonnage of waste disposed of in that county. authorize the board, if it determines that a city or county has diverted more than 50% of solid waste from landfill disposal through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities, to instead submit once every 2 years the information required in the report. The bill would provide that if the board authorizes a city or county to submit this information once every 2 years, and either the city or county subsequently fails to divert 50% of the solid waste, or if the board rescinds the authorization, the city or county would be required to submit the report annually.

The bill would require each city, county, and regional agency to prepare an initial update of its source reduction and recycling element and the household hazardous waste element to reflect all diversion programs that the jurisdiction is implementing, based on a specified schedule. A city, county, and regional agency would also be required to prepare an initial update of its nondisposable facility element. The bill would provide a procedure for the board review of the update.

The bill would require a jurisdiction, if it determines that it needs to expand or add programs, or utilize additional nondisposal facilities, beyond those included in the initial update, to provide a programmatic or nondisposal facility update of its source reduction and recycling element and household hazardous waste element to the board, pursuant to a specified process.

A jurisdiction would be required, by September 1, 2009, and on or before September 1 every 2 years thereafter, to submit a report to the

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board, including information regarding the implementation of the diversion programs. The bill would require the board, on and after January 1, 2009, when the board conducts a compliance review, to additionally utilize specified criteria regarding compliance with the act's waste increase prevention requirements. The board would be required, in determining whether or not to issue a compliance order, to primarily consider whether the diversion programs are being implemented and would allow the board to consider a jurisdiction's compliance with the waste increase prevention requirements only as an indiction as to whether the implementation requirements have been met. The bill would also require the board to consider specified factors in determining whether or not to issue a compliance order. The board would be required to provide technical assistance and outreach to assist jurisdictions to comply with the act's requirements.

The bill would make conforming changes regarding the compliance order and related enforcement provisions. The bill would impose a state-mandated local program by imposing new duties upon local ageneies.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school-districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: -yes-no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 41821 of the Public Resources Code is 2 amended to read:
  - 41821. (a) (1) Each-Except as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 41826, each year following the board's approval of a city, county, or regional agency's source reduction and recycling element, household hazardous waste element, and nondisposal facility element, the city, county, or regional agency shall submit a report to the board summarizing its progress in reducing solid waste as required by Section 41780.
- 10 (2) The annual report shall be due on or before August 1 of the year following board approval of the source reduction and recycling element, the household hazardous waste element, and the

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nondisposal facility element, and on or before August 1 in each subsequent year. The information in this report shall encompass the previous calendar year, January 1 to December 31, inclusive.

- (b) Each jurisdiction's annual report to the board shall, at a minimum, include the following:
  - (1) Calculations of annual disposal reduction.
- (2) Information on the changes in waste generated or disposed of due to increases or decreases in population, economics, or other factors in complying with subdivision (c) of Section 41780.1.
- (3) A summary of progress made in implementing the source reduction and recycling element and the household hazardous waste element. The city, county, or regional agency may also include information about existing and new programs it is implementing that are not part of the original or modified source reduction and recycling element adopted by the jurisdiction and approved by the board to achieve the diversion requirements of Section 41780.
- (4) A summary of progress made in diversion of construction and demolition of waste material, including information on programs and ordinances implemented by the local government and quantitative data, where available.
- (5) If the jurisdiction has been granted a time extension by the board pursuant to Section-41820 41820.5, the jurisdiction shall include a summary of progress made in meeting the source reduction and recycling element implementation schedule pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of Section 41780 and complying with the jurisdiction's plan of correction, prior to the expiration of the time extension.
- (6) If the jurisdiction has been granted an alternative source reduction, recycling, and composting requirement pursuant to Section-41785 41786, the jurisdiction shall include a summary of progress made towards meeting the alternative requirement as well as an explanation of current circumstances that support the continuation of the alternative requirement.
- 35 (7) Other information relevant to compliance with Section 36 41780.
  - (c) A jurisdiction may also include, in the report required by this section, all of the following:
- 39 (1) Any factor that the jurisdiction believes would affect the 40 accuracy of the estimated waste disposal reduction calculation

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provided in the report pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) to accurately reflect the changes in the amount of solid waste that is actually disposed. The jurisdiction may include, but is not limited to including, all of the following factors:

(A) Whether the jurisdiction hosts a solid waste facility.

- (B) The effects of self-hauled waste and construction and demolition waste.
- (C) The original or subsequent base year calculation, the amount of orphan waste, and the waste disposal reduction adjustment methodology.
- (2) Information regarding the programs the jurisdiction is undertaking to respond to the factors specified in paragraph (1), and why it is not feasible to implement programs to respond to other factors that affect the amount of waste that is disposed.
- (3) An estimate that the jurisdiction believes reflects that jurisdiction's annual reduction or increase in the disposal of solid waste.
- (d) The board shall use, but is not limited to the use of, the annual report in the determination of whether the jurisdiction's source reduction and recycling element needs to be revised.
- (e) (1) The board shall adopt procedures for requiring additional information in a jurisdiction's annual report. The procedures shall require the board to notify a jurisdiction of any additional required information no later than 120 days after the board receives the report from the jurisdiction.
- (2) Paragraph (1) does not prohibit the board from making additional requests for information in a timely manner. A jurisdiction receiving a request for information shall respond in a timely manner.
- (f) The board shall adopt procedures for conferring with a jurisdiction regarding the implementation of a diversion program or changes to a jurisdiction's calculation of its annual disposal reduction.
- 34 SEC. 2. Section 41826 is added to the Public Resources Code, 35 to read:
- 36 41826. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the 37 following:
- 38 (1) The statewide diversion rate for the year 2005 is expected to exceed 50 percent, and jurisdictions throughout the state have

set forth comprehensive arrays of programs to divert solid waste from disposal.

- (2) Adjustments to the ways in which diversion achievements are measured and evaluated need to be implemented to simplify the system, while improving its accuracy and adding additional emphasis to the implementation of those diversion programs.
- (3) New methods of streamlining accounting of disposal quantification need to be examined while ensuring that the state takes a lead role in adopting statewide strategies to divert solid waste through source reduction, recycling, and composting.
- (4) Each city or county should continue to implement diversion programs to prevent an increase in disposal, consistent with the waste management hierarchy specified in Section 40051 and in accordance with the existing requirements of this division.
- (b) (1) If the board determines that a city or county has diverted more than 50 percent of solid waste from landfill disposal through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities, the board may authorize that city or county to submit once every 2 years the information required in the annual report pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 41821. The biennial report shall be due on or before August 1 of the subsequent year following board authorization and shall encompass the two previous calendar years, January 1 to December 31, inclusive.
- (2) If the board authorizes a city or county to submit the information specified in paragraph (1) once every 2 years, and either the city or county subsequently fails to divert 50 percent of the solid waste, or if the board rescinds the authorization, the city or county shall submit the information required pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 41821 annually.

SECTION 1. Section 41825 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

 All matter omitted in this version of the bill appears in the bill as introduced in the Senate, February 23, 2007. (JR11)

#### Introduced by Senator Padilla

February 23, 2007

An act to amend Section 41780 Sections 41780, 41820.5, and 41820.6 of the Public Resources Code, relating to solid waste.

#### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1020, as amended, Padilla. Solid waste: diversion.

(1) The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, which is administered by the California Integrated Waste Management Board, requires each city, county, and regional agency, if any, to develop a source reduction and recycling element of an integrated waste management plan containing specified components. The source reduction and recycling element of that plan is required to divert 50% of all solid waste from landfill disposal or transformation by January 1, 2000, through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities.

This bill would increase that requirement to require, on and after January 1, 2012, with exceptions, that a city or county divert from landfill disposal or transformation no less than 75% of all solid waste, through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program by imposing new duties upon local agencies with regard to the management of solid waste.

This bill would also make nonsubstantive technical changes.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

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Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 41780 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

- 41780. (a) Each city or county source reduction and recycling element shall include an implementation schedule that shows both of the following:
- (1) For the initial element, the city or county shall divert 25 percent of all solid waste from landfill disposal or transformation by January 1, 1995, through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities.
- (2) Except as provided in Sections 41783, 41784, and 41785 and 41784, for the first and each subsequent revision of the element, the city or county shall divert 50 percent of all solid waste on and after by January 1, 2000, and 75 percent on and after January 1, 2012, through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities.
- (b) Nothing in this part prohibits a city or county from implementing source reduction, recycling, and composting activities designed to exceed these requirements.
- SEC. 2. Section 41820.5 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:
  - 41820.5. (a) In addition to its authority under Section 41820, the The board may, after a public hearing, grant a time extension from the diversion requirements of Section 41780 to a city if both of the following conditions exist:
  - (1) The city was incorporated pursuant to Division 3 (commencing with Section 56000) of Title 5 of the Government Code after January 1, 1990, and before January 1, 2001.
  - (2) The county within which the city is located did not include provisions in its franchises that ensured that the now incorporated area would comply with the diversion requirements of Section 41780.
- (b) The board may authorize a city that meets the requirements of subdivision (a) to submit a source reduction and recycling element that includes an implementation schedule that shows both of the following:

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(1) The city shall divert 25 percent of its estimated generation amount of solid waste from landfill or transformation facilities within three years from the date on which the source reduction and recycling element is due pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 41791.5, through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities.

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- (2) The city shall divert 50 percent of its estimated generation amount of solid waste from landfill or transformation facilities within eight years from the date on which the source reduction and recycling element is due pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 41791.5, through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities.
- SEC. 3. Section 41820.6 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:
- 41820.6. (a) In addition to its authority under Section 41820, the-The board may, after a public hearing, grant a time extension from the diversion requirements of Section 41780 to a city if both of the following conditions exist:
- (1) The city was incorporated pursuant to Division 3 (commencing with Section 56000) of Title 5 of the Government Code on or after January 1, 2001.
- (2) The county within which the city is located did not include provisions in its franchises that ensured that the now incorporated area would comply with the diversion requirements of Section 41780.
- (b) The board may authorize a city that meets the requirements of subdivision (a) to submit a source reduction and recycling element that includes an implementation schedule that shows that the city shall divert 50 percent of its estimated generation amount of solid waste from landfill or transformation facilities, within three years from the date on which the source reduction and recycling element is due pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 41791.5, through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities.
- SEC. 4. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because a local agency or school district has the authority to levy service charges, fees, or assessments sufficient to pay for the program or level of service mandated by this act, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code.

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 SECTION 1. Section 41780 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

41780. (a) Each city or county source reduction and recycling element shall include an implementation schedule that shows

on and after January 1, 2012, the city or county shall divert from landfill disposal or transformation, no less than 75 percent of all solid waste, through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities.

- (b) Nothing in this part prohibits a city or county from implementing source reduction, recycling, and composting activities designed to exceed these requirements.
- SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because a local agency or school district has the authority to levy service charges, fees, or assessments sufficient to pay for the program or level of service mandated by this act, within the meaning of Section

# 2007 Legislation

## Position Letters Sent by RCRC on Solid Waste Related Bills

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March 26, 2007

The Honorable Sandre Swanson Member, California State Assembly State Capitol, Room 6012 Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: Assembly Bill 501 - SUPPORT** 

Dear Assembly Member Swanson:

On behalf of the 30 member counties of the Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC), I am writing to express our support for your Assembly Bill 501, which would require manufacturers of prefilled injection needles to provide consumers with a mail-back option for used needles.

RCRC is composed of members of the Boards of Supervisors from each of our 30 member counties. In addition, 22 member counties have formed a joint powers authority to address solid waste issues for our respective counties. In many cases, these counties operate or contract for collection services, transfer stations, recycling centers, municipal waste disposal landfills, and household hazardous waste collection programs.

We applaud you for bringing forth legislation that attempts to provide a viable option to remove household needles (sharps) from the traditional waste stream. When routinely dumped into the waste stream, used sharps pose a health and safety danger to residents and employees of solid waste collection companies, solid waste processing, and disposal facilities.

With the enactment of SB 1305 (Figueroa) last year, on September 1st it will no longer be lawful to dispose sharps in the traditional waste stream. RCRC believes the next aspect to this policy issue must occur - giving household users of sharps an easily accessible alternative to dispose sharps. The first step is having manufacturers of pre-filled sharps provide a mail-back option. However, we would also request that your legislation review other options for the collections of used needles. Such options could include mandating that retailers construct 'take back' programs or having manufacturers provide appropriate containers/pick-up for household use or expanding the number of medical facilities that accept household sharps. To this effort, solid waste managers stand ready to work with you, consumers, manufacturers, retailers and state regulators to eliminate sharps from the traditional waste stream.

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RCRC looks forward to working with you to enact legislation that provides consumers of sharps viable options for proper and safe disposal.

Sincerely,

PAUL A. SMITH

Director of Legislative Affairs

cc: Members of the Assembly Health Committee Ms. Nicole Wordelman, County of Alameda









April 19, 2007

The Honorable Kevin De Leon Member, California State Assembly State Capitol, Room 4140 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: AB 712 (De Leon) – Concerns

Dear Assembly Member De Leon:

On behalf of the California State Association of Counties (CSAC), the Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC), the League of California Cities (the League), and the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA), we write to express our "Concerns" position to your Assembly Bill 712, which relates to managing solid waste disposal facilities.

In many California counties and cities, the municipality operates a landfill. In other counties and cities, those operations are contracted with another party. Regardless of which party owns/operates a solid waste facility, \$1.40 per ton must be collected and remitted to the Integrated Waste Management Board (the Waste Board). The \$1.40 per ton is solely used to fund a variety of activities by the Waste Board to assist in reducing the amount of waste disposal throughout the State.

Next month, the California Air Resources Board is expected to adopt stringent regulations upon a variety of industries that use off-road diesel-powered vehicles in order to reduce oxides of nitrogen (N0x) and particulate matter (PM). It is expected that these regulation will impact the use of off-road vehicles at solid waste facilities.

AB 712 proposes to increase our state's "tipping fee" by \$.50 per ton in order to raise monies for the Air Resources Board for retrofitting off-road diesel-powered vehicles that are used in the operation of a landfill. As such, we have a number of concerns with this approach. First is the precedent of putting forth a fee attachment that is used for an issue that is not directly related to reducing the amount of waste being disposed in California. We believe this invites others to see the tipping fee as a vehicle for raising revenue for other projects that may or may not be directly related to reducing disposal and/or the operations of a landfill. Furthermore, the Air Resources Board has yet to adopt their proposed regulations and it is likely there may be delays and/or extensions in the window period for retrofitting off-road vehicles.

Assembly Speaker Fabian Nunez has put forth Assembly Bill 1610 which gives the Waste Board the authority to increase the tipping up to \$2.00 per ton. We understand the Waste Board is the sponsor of AB 1610 and we are working with the Speaker and the Waste Board to better

The Honorable Kevin De Leon Page Two

understand the reasons for the increase and the priorities of these additional monies. We respectfully request that there only be one bill moving through the Legislature that proposes to increase the tipping fee so that all discussions of whether to raise the fee and, if so, for what purpose(s) may be debated in the same context.

Lastly, we must observe that significant increases in the cost of waste disposal usually lead to dramatic increases in illegal dumping, particularly in rural counties. Keep in mind, for millions of Californians where there is no curbside pick-up and a monthly bill that accompanies that service, persons must take their waste to a facility and pay the fee directly. Simply put, increasing the tipping fee just gives persons a desire to dispose of this waste in another manner, most likely in an illegal one.

Sincerely,

KAREN KEENE

Legislative Representative

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**CSAC** 

PAUL YODER

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PAUL A. SMITH

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Kyra Emanuels Ross

Legislative Representative

The League of California Cities

Cc: Members, Assembly Natural Resources Committee

Members, Assembly Transportation Committee

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April 27, 2007

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The Honorable John Benoit Member, California State Assembly State Capitol, Room 4144 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: ASSEMBLY BILL 679 (Benoit) - SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Benoit:

On behalf of the 30 member counties of the Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC), I am writing to express our support for your Assembly Bill 679 which relates to illegal dumping.

RCRC is an association of California's rural counties. In virtually every one of our 30-member counties, illegal dumping of items is a serious problem and the cost to clean-up this dumping can be extensive. Also, a number of counties devote resources to employ persons whose duties are to enforce illegal dumping laws; however, rural counties do not have adequate resources to properly deal with this problem.

AB 679 would assist jurisdictions, including rural counties, in providing resources to combat illegal dumping. Specifically, AB 679 would have courts impose a penalty assessment equal to the amount of the fine upon those convicted of illegal dumping. Proceeds from the penalty assessment would be directed to the jurisdiction where the illegal dumping occurred and those monies would be used for further enforcement of illegal dumping laws.

RCRC appreciates you bringing AB 679 to the Legislature, and we look forward to working with you to ensure this bill is enacted into law.

> Sincerely, Paul A. Smith

PAUL A. SMITH

Director of Legislative Affairs

cc: Members of the Assembly Judiciary Committee

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April 2, 2007

The Honorable Ira Ruskin Member, California State Assembly State Capitol, Room 3123 Sacramento, CA 95814

**ASSEMBLY BILL 1193 - SUPPORT** RE:

Dear Assembly Member Ruskin:

On behalf of the 30 member counties of the Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC), I am writing to express our support for your Assembly Bill 1193, which would require manufacturers that sell mercury-added thermostats to establish and maintain a collection and recycling program for outof-service thermostats.

RCRC is composed of members of the Boards of Supervisors from each of our 30 member counties. In addition, 22 member counties have formed a joint powers authority to address solid waste issues for our respective counties. In many cases, these counties operate or contract for collection services, transfer stations, recycling centers, municipal waste disposal landfills, and household hazardous waste collection programs.

We applaud you for bringing forth legislation that attempts to provide a viable option to managing mercury-added thermostats. Mercury is a significant threat to California's drinking supply and recreational waterways. AB 1193 would provide a program to protect California's water by providing a program to collect mercury-added thermostats without burdening rural household hazardous waste programs that are all too often a dumping ground for banned hazardous wastes.

RCRC looks forward to working with you to enact this much-needed legislation.

Sincerely, Paul A. Smith

PAUL A. SMITH

Director of Legislative Affairs

cc: Members of the Assembly Environmental Safety & Toxic Materials Committee

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March 26, 2007

The Honorable Joe Simitian, Chair Senate Environmental Quality Committee State Capitol, Room 4062 Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Senate Bill 966 (Simitian) – SUPPORT

Dear Senator Simitian:

On behalf of the 30 member counties of the Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC), I am writing to express our support for your Senate Bill 966 regarding the disposal of un-used pharmaceutical drugs.

RCRC is composed of members of the Boards of Supervisors from each of our 30 member counties. In addition, 22 member counties have formed a joint powers authority to address solid waste issues for our respective counties. In many cases, these counties operate or contract for collection services, transfer stations, recycling centers, municipal waste disposal landfills, and household hazardous waste collection programs. Furthermore, RCRC counties must deal with storm water run-off and mitigate against issues that cause pollution in our rivers and streams.

We applaud you for bringing forth legislation that attempts to provide a viable option to remove unused pharmaceutical drugs from the solid waste stream and/or waste water stream. Many of the rural counties of California provide the majority of water to the people of California and it is critical that water quality remains free of pharmaceutical drugs for human health as well as that of habitat.

SB 966 requires retailers to provide for a 'take back' method for pharmaceutical drugs. Such a program should be in place after July 1, 2008 and not impose any costs to the consumer. RCRC believes SB 966 will make significant strides in eliminating pharmaceutical drugs – and the toxicity these items pose - from our water supply, thus increasing our water quality. SB 966 will also reduce the fiscal impact on our increasing challenged household hazardous waste programs by redirecting the handling cost of pharmaceuticals.

RCRC appreciates your efforts in this area of public policy, and we look forward to working with you to ensure SB 966 becomes law.

Sincerely,

Director of Legislative Affairs

cc: Members, Senate Environmental Quality Committee

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April 11, 2007

The Honorable Pat Wiggins Member, California State Senate State Capitol, Room 4081 Sacramento, CA 95814

## RE: SENATE BILL 1016 - SUPPORT IF AMENDED

Dear Senator Wiggins:

On behalf of the 30 member counties of the Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC), I am writing to express our "Support if Amended" position regarding your Senate Bill 1016, which allows the Integrated Waste Management Board to require counties to report its summary progress once every two years, instead of once a year, if a county has achieved the 50% diversion goal.

Rural jurisdictions have made significant strides in implementing programs for diversion of solid wastes from landfills even though the total amount of solid waste generated by rural counties is less than 4% of the entire state's solid waste. RCRC has continually supported a program-based system since the current methodology has repeatedly proven inaccurate in calculating rural diversion efforts.

As you may know, the Waste Board has the authority to grant rural counties a reduction from the 50% diversion goal provided these counties are making a concerted effort to reduce solid wastes from their landfills. We respectfully request that rural jurisdictions that are approved with a rural reduction or a good faith effort should also be allowed to report once every two years instead of the current once a year requirement.

RCRC looks forward to working with your offices as well as the Senate Environmental Quality Committee to address our concern.

> Sincerely, Jaul A. Smith

PAUL A. SMITH

Director of Legislative Affairs

cc: Members of the Senate Environmental Quality Committee The Honorable Don Perata, President pro Tempore of the State Senate CHAIR - SUE HORNE, NEVADA COUNTY

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April 11, 2007

The Honorable Alex Padilla Member, California State Senate State Capitol, Room 4032 Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: SENATE BILL 1020 - CONCERNS** 

Dear Senator Padilla:

On behalf of the 30 member counties of the Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC), I am writing to express our concerns regarding your Senate Bill 1020 (Padilla), which proposes significant changes to the Integrated Waste Management Act and the diversion of waste from our state's solid waste landfills.

Rural jurisdictions have made significant strides in implementing programs for diversion of solid waste from landfills even though the total amount of solid waste generated by rural counties is less than 4% of the entire state's solid waste. RCRC has continually supported a program-based system since the current methodology has repeatedly proven inaccurate in calculating rural diversion efforts.

Simply increasing the diversion goal, as proposed by SB 1020, fails to recognize the inherent flaws in the current system. This is especially true as it relates to rural diversion efforts and would result in exponentially magnifying the current system's errors. Even holding the amount of waste disposal constant is difficult given a number of factors including population growth and economics. Small changes to these and other factors greatly influences the amount of solid waste disposed of in rural areas. disposal rates for jurisdictions accumulated by the Integrated Waste Management Board should be of assistance in determining what direction legislative changes should be pursued.

RCRC looks forward to working with you and your staff as well as the Senate Environmental Quality Committee and the leadership of the Senate to address our concerns. We do recognize the need to better divert waste from current landfills and know that all counties have a role to play in this goal.

PAUL A. SMITH

Director of Legislative Affairs

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April 11, 2007

The Honorable Alex Padilla Member, California State Senate State Capitol, Room 4032 Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: Senate BILL 1021 - SUPPORT

Dear Senator Padilla:

On behalf of the 30 member counties of the Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC), I am writing to express our support for your Senate Bill 1021, which authorizes the Department of Conservation to expend up to \$15 million to fund grants to local governments to assist in collecting beverage containers in multi-family residential complexes.

Since the inception of our state's bottle bill program, there has been a desire to more adequately collect used beverage containers that are discarded in multi-family housing complexes. Despite several legislative attempts to mandate collection programs in these complexes, no such requirement exists upon apartment owners, residents, waste haulers or municipal governments. As such, millions of bottles and cans are not collected and recycled. This provides an important missed opportunity to reach recycling goals set out in current law for recycling beverage containers.

Collection of beverage containers in multi-family complexes can oftentimes be a challenge. Space, access, awareness, and ease-of-use by residents are all issues when coordinating an effective collection program. Cost also comes into play when instituting a viable option for apartment residents to recycle their bottles and cans. These costs are exacerbated in rural counties where the economies of scale are not achievable when instituting collection programs.

RCRC believes that SB 1021 can be of great assistance in mitigating costs to local governments, waste haulers, apartment managers/owners and residents by allowing for grants to assist in the collection of beverage containers.

Thank you for putting forth SB 1021. RCRC looks forward to working with you so that this bill becomes law.

Sincerely.

PAUL A. SMITH

Director of Legislative Affairs

cc: Members of the Senate Environmental Quality Committee