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Introduced by Assembly Member Chesbro (Principal coauthor: Assembly Member Ruskin) (Coauthors: Assembly Members Huffman and Nava)

February 12, 2009

An act to add Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 48800) to Part 7 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, relating to solid waste.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 283, as introduced, Chesbro. Solid waste: extended producer responsibility program.

The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, administered by the California Integrated Waste Management Board, is required to reduce, recycle, and reuse solid waste generated in the state to the maximum extent feasible in an efficient cost-effective manner to conserve water, energy, and other natural resources.

This bill would create the California Product Stewardship Act of 2010 and would require the board to administer the program. The bill would require the board to adopt regulations by July 1, 2011, in order to implement the program to provide environmentally sound product stewardship protocols that encourage producers to research alternatives during the product design and packaging phases to foster cradle-to-cradle producer responsibility and reduce the end-of-life environmental impacts of the product.

The bill, on and after January 1, 2012, would require the board to select covered products, as defined, according to certain requirements. The bill would exempt the selection of covered products from the requirements of the Administrative Law Act. On and after July 1, 2012,

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a covered product would be prohibited from being sold or used for promotional purposes unless the producer or product stewardship organization, as defined, of the covered product, submits a product stewardship plan to the board that meets certain timelines and content requirements, including, but not limited to, a description of the system for collecting discarded covered products, methods proposed to maximize the recycling of packaging, a description of the processing and disposal system, and strategies for managing and reducing the life cycle impacts of covered products and packaging such as through redesign.

The bill would establish an annual reporting requirement for producers or stewardship organizations, require administrative fees to be set by the board, and authorize civil penalties of up to \$50,000 to be imposed by the board. The bill would require that the administrative fees be deposited into the Extended Producer Responsibility Account and that the penalties be deposited into the Extended Producer Responsibility Penalty Subaccount that the bill would create in the Integrated Waste Management Fund. The bill would authorize the fees and penalties to be expended, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to cover the board's program implementation costs and as incentives to enhance recyclability and redesign efforts and to reduce environmental and safety impacts of covered products.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 48800) is added to Part 7 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, to 3 read: 4 5 Chapter 5. California Product Stewardship Act of 2010 6 7 Article 1. Findings and Declarations 8 9 48800. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the 10 following: 11 (1) California has long been a national and international leader 12 in environmental stewardship efforts and mandating the diversion 13 of solid waste from disposal.

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(2) By exercising a leadership role, the state will move forward toward a future in which the environment and the economy both grow stronger together by recycling more and reusing materials, which encourages new markets and creates new jobs, instead of burying resources that are lost to the economy forever.

- (3) The California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) is the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating activities to reduce, recycle, and reuse solid waste generated in the state to the maximum extent feasible in an efficient and cost-effective manner to conserve water, energy, and other natural resources, and to protect the environment.
- (4) The CIWMB manages 97 percent of the state's solid waste stream.
- (5) To meet the mandates of the Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, the CIWMB develops and implements programs in accordance with the act's waste management hierarchy, pursuant to Section 40051 of the Public Resources Code.
- (6) End-of-life management of solid waste has been the shared responsibility between the state and local governments with the financial burden placed on the taxpayer.
- (7) The CIWMB adopted a final "Extended Producer Responsibility Framework" policy document in 2008 to guide efforts to reduce the end-of-life environmental impacts of products and require that producers share in the responsibility for the stewardship of their products in order to promote environmental sustainability.
- (8) Currently, the state addresses products with end-of-life management issues through a patchwork of product and material specific programs that have experienced various levels of success.
- (9) Establishing the Extended Producer Responsibility Framework Program under this chapter offers an alternative to the materials and products approach while providing the flexibility to customize individual product stewardship plans toward the most effective and efficient approach for a particular product or product category.
- (10) The disposal of solid waste harms natural resources, negatively impacts the state's environment, prevents materials from circulating in the state's economy to produce jobs and new products, and contributes to global warming.

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(11) This chapter directs the CIWMB to develop, implement, and administer the Extended Producer Responsibility Framework Program. The program includes a framework for managing individual products that have significant end-of-life waste management impacts as well as impacts on the environment and public health.

- (12) The CIWMB will select covered products through a set of requirements that include assessing waste management, public health, significant environmental impacts, and safety impacts and benefits.
- (13) Expanding the extended producer responsibility approach to a broader range of problem products, packaging, and materials offers an opportunity to reduce waste and increase recycling by customizing individual product stewardship plans toward the most effective and efficient approach for any particular product or product category.
- (b) (1) It is the intent of the Legislature that the CIWMB coordinate with other state agencies as well as local jurisdictions, industry sectors, business groups, environmental organizations, and other interested stakeholders in implementing this chapter.
- (2) It is the intent of the Legislature that in developing the framework, the CIWMB design performance goals for covered products that reduce the end-of-life and life cycle impacts of covered products.
- (3) It is the intent of the Legislature that the CIWMB design the program to help satisfy the waste diversion requirements of the Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 in a manner that minimizes costs and maximizes benefits for California's economy, improves the end-of-life management of products, and maximizes additional environmental and economic cobenefits for California.
- (4) It is the intent of the Legislature to encourage the development of the additional materials processing capacity that is needed to meet state objectives for decreasing solid waste disposal by identifying incentives for local governments and businesses to locate and approve new or expanded facilities that meet and exceed their capacity needs, and to recognize those entities that make significant contributions to the state's overall solid waste reduction and recycling objectives through the siting of facilities for the processing of materials diverted from the solid waste stream.

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Article 2. General Provisions

48800.1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the California Extended Producer Responsibility Framework Act of 2010.

Article 3. Definitions

- 48800.2. For purposes of this chapter, and unless the context otherwise requires, the definitions in this article govern the construction of this chapter.
- 48800.3. "Board" means the California Integrated Waste Management Board.
- 48800.4. "Brand" means a name, symbol, word, or mark that identifies a product, rather than its components, and attributes the product to the owner or licensee of the brand as the producer.
- 48800.5. "Capture rate" is a component of the performance goals for a covered product and means a quantitative measure that establishes an amount of product to be collected by the product stewardship system for that product by an established date.
- 48800.6. "Covered product" means a product used or disposed of in this state that has been selected by the board pursuant to Section 48813.
- 48800.7. "Cradle-to-cradle design" means an ideal condition where the product is developed for closed-loop systems in which every ingredient is safe and beneficial, either to biodegrade and be suitable to safely restore the soil or to be fully recycled into high-quality materials for subsequent product generations, again and again.
- 48800.8. "Department" means the Department of Toxic Substances Control.
- 48800.9. "Disposition rate" is a component of the performance goals for a covered product and means a quantitative measure that establishes the amounts of unwanted product that are reused, recycled, or recovered, including energy recovery or safe disposal.
- 48800.10. "Extended producer responsibility" means the extension of the shared responsibility of producers, and all entities involved in the product chain, to reduce the cradle-to-cradle impacts of a product and its packaging, with the primary

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1 responsibility being with the producer who makes design and 2 marketing decisions.

48800.11. "Historic product" means a covered product ready to be discarded by the user that is not a new product or product currently marketed or sold by the manufacturer.

48800.12. "Orphan product" means any one of the following:

- (a) A covered product that lacks a manufacturer's brand.
- (b) A covered product for which the manufacturer is no longer in business and has no successor in interest.
- (c) A covered product that is a brand for which the board cannot identify an owner.
- 48800.13. "Performance goal" means product goals, capture rates, and disposition rates established by the board for covered products.

48800.14. "Producer" means one of the following:

- (a) A person or entity that manufactures a covered product that sells, offers for sale, or distributes that covered product in California under the manufacturer's own name or brand.
- (b) If subdivision (a) does not apply, a person who is not the manufacturer of the product but is the owner or licensee of a trademark or brand under which a product is sold or distributed in California, whether or not the trademark is registered.
- (c) If subdivisions (a) and (b) do not apply, a person who imports the product into California for sale or distribution.
- 48800.15. "Product goal" is a component of the performance goals for a covered product and means a qualitative or quantitative goal to measure improvements that reduce the life cycle impacts of products. It may include product design and materials content, manufacturing, packaging, distribution, and end-of-life management. It may address use of virgin material, water, energy, and hazardous substances, as well as carbon footprint, product longevity, recycled content, and recyclability.
- 48800.16. "Product stewardship organization" means all of the following:
- (a) An organization appointed by a producer or producers to act as an agent on behalf of the producer or producers to design, submit, and administer a product stewardship plan.
- (b) The organization shall be open for participation by all producers of a covered product.

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48800.17. "Product stewardship plan" means a plan written by an individual producer or a stewardship organization, on behalf of a producer, that addresses the environmental impacts of a covered product over the entire life cycle of that product, including product design and the collection, transportation, reuse, recycling, and final disposition of discarded covered products as provided in this chapter.

48800.18. "Reporting period" means the period commencing January 1 and ending on December 31 of the same calendar year.

48800.19. "Retailer" means a person that offers new products for sale at retail through any means, including remote offerings such as sales outlets, catalogs, or an Internet Web site.

48800.20. "Secondary material" means material that is being reused or recycled that would otherwise be disposed of in a landfill.

48800.21. "Sell" or "sales" means any transfer of title for consideration, including remote sales conducted through sales outlets, catalogs, or an Internet Web site or similar electronic means. Sell or sales does not include leases.

Article 4. Extended Producer Responsibility Framework Program

- 48810. (a) (1) The Extended Producer Responsibility Framework Program is hereby created.
 - (2) The program shall be administered by the board.
- (3) The program shall provide environmentally sound product stewardship protocols that encourage producers to research alternatives during the product design and packaging phases to foster cradle-to-cradle producer responsibility and reduce the end-of-life environmental impacts.
- (b) For purposes of this chapter, the board shall review existing and proposed international, federal, and state Extended Producer Responsibility Programs and make reasonable efforts to promote consistency among the programs established pursuant to this part and those other programs.
- (c) By July 1, 2011, the board, following one or more noticed public workshops and consultation with all appropriate state agencies, shall adopt regulations to implement this chapter.
- (d) The board, in addition to any other regulations necessary to implement this chapter, shall do all of the following:

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- (1) Establish definitions.
- (2) Establish a process for selecting covered products and determining performance goals.
- (3) Establish a process for product stewardship plan development, review, and submittal.
- (4) Establish a process for providing data and reporting to the board.
- (5) Prepare recommendations for immediate incentives for producers that stimulate waste reduction, pollution prevention, energy efficiency, and increased secondary use of recycled and reused materials that would otherwise be disposed of. These incentives may include, but are not limited to, an expedited approach to permitting facilities needed to implement product stewardship programs, investments in more market development, cost-effective energy savings and reducing water usage, tax incentives for utilizing renewable resources, loans from the Recycling Market Development Revolving Loan Program pursuant to Section 42023.1 to qualifying product stewardship organizations for startup of stewardship programs, and further incentives for designing products and processing facilities from recycled and reused materials that would otherwise be disposed of.
- (6) Prepare recommendations for long-term incentives to foster environmental product design to reduce waste and use of hazardous materials, to reward businesses for superior environmental performance that results in significant solid or hazardous waste reduction or increased use of secondary materials, and for investments that support longer term change to material markets and market development.
- (7) Prepare recommendations for funding incentives, by consulting with product stewardship stakeholders to determine how to fund additional cradle-to-cradle stewardship initiatives and disincentives for solid waste disposal as a viable option.
 - (8) Establish penalties for violations of this chapter.
- (9) Develop guidelines designed to ensure that activities undertaken pursuant to this chapter do not interfere with the following:
- 37 (A) Efforts by the department undertaken pursuant to Article 38 14 (commencing with Section 25251) of Chapter 6.5 of Division 39 20 of the Health and Safety Code.

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(B) The State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission's energy efficiency programs.

- (C) The State Air Resources Board climate change efforts to achieve and maintain state and federal ambient air quality standards and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- (D) The State Water Resources Control Board efforts for water quality protection.
- (E) The Ocean Protection Council's ocean litter reduction efforts.
- (F) The Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act (Division 12.1 (commencing with Section 14500)).
- 48811. (a) Nothing in this chapter or any regulation adopted or actions taken by the board pursuant to this chapter shall be interpreted to limit, abrogate, supersede, duplicate, or otherwise conflict with federal law, federal policy, or federal treaty obligations.
- (b) Nothing in this chapter or any regulation adopted or actions taken by the board pursuant to this chapter shall be interpreted to limit, supersede, duplicate, or otherwise conflict with the authority of the department under Section 25257.1 of the Health and Safety Code to fully implement Article 14 (commencing with Section 25251) of Chapter 6.5 of Division 20 of the Health and Safety Code, including the authority of the department to include products in its product registry.
- 48812. As a part of the board's annual report to the Legislature pursuant to Section 40507, the board shall include a section on the progress and implementation of the Extended Producer Responsibility Framework Program.
- 48813. On and after January 1, 2012, the board, in consultation with all appropriate state agencies, and after one or more noticed public workshops with an opportunity for all interested parties to comment, shall select covered products according to the following requirements:
- (a) The board shall only select covered products that have been identified with end-of-life environmental and waste management impacts, that meet one or more of the following criteria:
- (1) Those products that pose a significant threat to public health and safety when discarded.
- 39 (2) Products that pose a threat of increased greenhouse gas 40 emissions.

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(3) Products that impose significant end-of-life management costs on state or local government.

- (b) The factors the board shall consider in selecting covered products pursuant to subdivision (a) shall include, but are not limited to, the following:
- (1) Public health and significant environmental and safety impacts and benefits.
- (2) Resource recovery and material conservation potential, including the potential for product redesign to achieve greater waste reduction, toxicity reduction, water consumption reduction, increase in recycled content, and greater capability for being recycled.
 - (3) Energy use and conservation potential.
 - (4) Climate change impacts and benefits.
- (5) Existing infrastructure capacity for material management and potential for expansion.
- (6) Success in collecting and processing similar products in other programs in the United States and other countries.
- (7) The selection of products in extended producer responsibility programs in other states.
 - (8) Ocean pollution impacts.
 - (9) Storm water runoff impacts.
- (c) The board may select covered products and set performance goals over time at regularly scheduled board meetings.
- (d) Through the product selection process, the board shall do the following:
- (1) Identify and notify potential interested parties for a proposed covered product.
- (2) Select and define a covered product or covered products. This may include historic and orphan products in addition to new products.
- (3) Determine whether the packaging for a covered product shall be considered part of the covered product.
- (4) Establish any implementation dates for requirements for covered products.
- 36 (5) Identify unique environmental impacts or management requirements, if any, for a covered product.
- 38 (6) Set performance goals and timeframes for the covered 39 product.

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(7) Establish measurement metrics and reporting protocols for
 the covered product.
 (e) The selection process for covered products described in this

- (e) The selection process for covered products described in this section shall not be subject to the requirements of Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code. However, selected covered products and associated performance goals shall be submitted to the Office of Administrative Law for filing and printing with the Secretary of State.
- 48814. (a) On and after July 1, 2012, a covered product shall not be offered for sale or used for promotional purposes in this state unless the producer or product stewardship organization of the covered product submits a product stewardship plan in accordance with this chapter and the regulations adopted pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 48810.
 - (b) A producer shall do all of the following:

- (1) (A) Submit a product stewardship plan or participate in a stewardship organization.
- (B) The producer, however, shall maintain responsibility for compliance with this chapter.
- (2) (A) Collect the individual covered product pursuant to a product stewardship plan to be reused or recycled, unless the board determines that the covered product is not reusable or recyclable.
- (B) Covered products that have been determined by the board not to be recyclable nor reusable shall be disposed of or managed in properly permitted facilities appropriate for the covered product, including disposal or management of all hazardous products, components, or materials in properly permitted hazardous waste facilities appropriate for the product, component, or material.
- (3) Provide for collection services without charging a fee at the time that covered products are discarded and collected for recycling or disposal.
- (4) Pay all the administrative and operational costs associated with the product stewardship plan, including the costs of collection, transportation, and recycling or disposal, or both, of covered products.
- 44815. (a) The producer or product stewardship organization of a covered product shall submit a product stewardship plan to the board.

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- (b) Each product stewardship plan for a covered individual product shall include, at a minimum, all of the following:
 - (1) Contact information for all participating producers.
- 4 (2) A description of the product and associated brand covered by the plan.
 - (3) A detailed description of how the performance goals set by the board will be achieved.
 - (4) A description of methods proposed to be used to maximize the recycling of packaging that is delivered into the program along with the discarded covered product.
 - (5) A description of the collection system for collecting the discarded covered product, including, but not limited to, the following:
 - (A) How the discarded covered product will be collected in all counties of the state.
 - (B) The entities that will perform collection services.
 - (C) How the collection system is available, convenient, accessible, and free of charge statewide.
 - (D) Locations, hours, and days of operation for collection locations.
 - (6) A description of the processing and disposal system, including the following:
 - (A) How the discarded covered product will be reused and recycled.
 - (B) If the covered product is not reusable nor recyclable, how the covered product will be disposed of or managed in properly permitted facilities appropriate to the covered product, including the disposal or management of hazardous substances.
 - (C) The location and permit status of processing or disposal facilities.
- 31 (D) Processing methods utilized at each facility and how residuals will be handled.
 - (7) How the product stewardship plan will be financed, including the following:
 - (A) The mechanism for securing and dispersing funds to cover administrative, operational, and capital costs, including the assessment of charges to producers who participate through a stewardship organization.
- 39 (B) Adequate insurance and financial assurance for collection, 40 handling, and disposal operations.

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(8) Strategies for managing and reducing the life cycle impacts of covered products and packaging, including through redesign and how impacts will be tracked over time to show continual improvement.

- (9) Education and outreach activities, including the following:
- (A) Providing information to the general public on how to use the collection system for a covered product.
- (B) Providing information regarding the collection system to collectors, retailers, and other interested parties.
- (10) The consultation process used to consult with affected stakeholders and the general public about the contents of the product stewardship plan.
- (c) Producers shall submit their product stewardship plan, or updates to the product stewardship plan, to the board within 180 days following the selection of a covered product or 180 days prior to the sale of a new covered product.
- (d) Product stewardship plans shall be revised and submitted to the board every four years.
- (e) All product stewardship plans submitted to the board shall be available to the public on the board's Internet Web site.
- (f) A producer shall notify the board in advance of instituting a material change to a product stewardship plan.

Article 5. Reporting

- 48820. (a) Beginning June 30, 2012, and every subsequent year thereafter, each producer or stewardship organization operating a product stewardship plan shall prepare and submit to the board an annual report describing the activities of the product stewardship program during the previous reporting period, including, but not limited to, the following:
- (1) How the product stewardship plan attained the performance goals for the covered product, and if the performance goals were not met, what actions the producer or stewardship organization will take during the next reporting period to do so.
- (2) A description of the outreach and education activities undertaken during the reporting period.
- (3) The actions undertaken to manage and reduce the life cycle impacts of the covered products and packaging, from product design to end-of-life management, including how the formulation,

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packaging, and distribution of products have been improved to reduce waste, reduce toxicity, reduce carbon footprint, reduce other environmental impacts, increase recycled content, increase product longevity, and make covered products more easily recyclable.

- (b) All reports submitted to the board are required to be approved by the board members at a monthly committee or board hearing.
- (c) All reports submitted to the board shall be made available to the public on the board's Internet Web site.

Article 6. Financial Provisions

- 44825. (a) All producers shall submit an administrative fee to the board, according to a fee schedule established by the board.
- (b) The total amount of annual fees collected pursuant to this section shall not exceed the amount necessary to recover costs incurred by the board in connection with the administration and enforcement of the requirements of this chapter.
- 48826. (a) The Extended Producer Responsibility Account and the Extended Producer Responsibility Penalty Subaccount are hereby established in the Integrated Waste Management Fund.
- (b) All fees collected pursuant to this chapter shall be deposited in the Extended Producer Responsibility Account and may be expended by the board, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to cover the board's costs to implement this chapter.
- (c) All penalties collected pursuant to this chapter shall be deposited in the Extended Producer Responsibility Penalty Subaccount and may be expended by the board, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to cover the board's costs to implement this chapter.
- (d) All funds collected may be expended as incentives to enhance recyclability and redesign efforts and to reduce environmental and safety impacts of covered products.

Article 7. Enforcement

48830. (a) Civil liability in an amount of up to fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) may be administratively imposed by the board against a producer for any violation of this chapter. The board shall

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deposit all penalties in the Extended Producer ResponsibilityPenalty Subaccount.

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(b) The board shall adopt regulations that specify the procedures and amounts for the imposition of administrative civil penalties pursuant to this subdivision.

48831. The board, or its designee, is authorized to inspect, audit, or require and review third-party audits of producers, product stewardship organizations, and service providers including collectors and recyclers that are utilized to fulfill the requirements of a product stewardship plan.

Introduced by Assembly Member Chesbro

February 24, 2009

An act to amend Section 38562 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to greenhouse gas emissions.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 478, as introduced, Chesbro. Greenhouse gas emissions: solid waste.

Existing law, the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, requires the State Air Resources Board to adopt greenhouse gas emissions limits and emission reduction measures by regulation. The state board is required to approve a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990 to be achieved by 2020.

This bill would require the state board to consult with the California Integrated Waste Management Board in developing the regulations to include rules for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from solid waste reduction and recycling.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: 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:
- 3 (a) Since the enactment of the California Integrated Waste
- 4 Management Act of 1989 (Division 30 (commencing with Section

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40000) of the Public Resources Code), an extensive material collection and recycling infrastructure has been created, resulting in the achievement of a statewide diversion rate beyond 50 percent and the reduction of three million metric tons of carbon dioxide.

- (b) All solid waste should be properly managed in order to minimize the generation of waste, maximize the diversion of solid waste from landfills, and manage all solid waste to its highest and best use, in accordance with the waste management hierarchy and in support of the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006.
- (c) A comprehensive array of solid waste diversion programs will result in an actual reduction in disposal tonnage and greenhouse gas emissions.
- (d) Although the state now leads the nation in solid waste reduction and recycling, the state continues to dispose of more than 40 million tons of solid waste each year, which is more than the national average on a per capita basis. Additional efforts must be undertaken to divert more solid waste from disposal in order to reduce the production of greenhouse gas emissions statewide.
- (e) The anaerobic decomposition of solid waste in landfills produces methane, a greenhouse gas 21 times more potent than carbon dioxide.
- (f) Greenhouse gas emissions can be substantially reduced by properly managing all materials to minimize the generation of waste, maximizing the diversion of solid waste from landfills, and capturing methane emissions to be put to their highest and best use.
- (g) Reducing waste and materials at the source of generation, increased use of compost to benefit soils, coupled with increased recycling and extended producer responsibility, have the potential to reduce emissions, both within the state and within the connected global economy.
- (h) According to the State Air Resources Board's Climate Change Scoping Plan, further implementation of aggressive high recycling and source reduction measures has the potential to offset as much as nine million metric tons of carbon dioxide by 2020.
- SEC. 2. Section 38562 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
- 39 38562. (a) On or before January 1, 2011, the state board shall adopt greenhouse gas emission limits and emission reduction

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measures by regulation to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions in furtherance of achieving the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit, to become operative beginning on January 1, 2012.

- (b) In adopting regulations pursuant to this section and Part 5 (commencing with Section 38570), to the extent feasible and in furtherance of achieving the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit, the state board shall do all of the following:
- (1) Design the regulations, including distribution of emissions allowances where appropriate, in a manner that is equitable, seeks to minimize costs and maximize the total benefits to California, and encourages early action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- (2) Ensure that activities undertaken to comply with the regulations do not disproportionately impact low-income communities.
- (3) Ensure that entities that have voluntarily reduced their greenhouse gas emissions prior to the implementation of this section receive appropriate credit for early voluntary reductions.
- (4) Ensure that activities undertaken pursuant to the regulations complement, and do not interfere with, efforts to achieve and maintain federal and state ambient air quality standards and to reduce toxic air contaminant emissions.
 - (5) Consider cost-effectiveness of these regulations.
- (6) Consider overall societal benefits, including reductions in other air pollutants, diversification of energy sources, and other benefits to the economy, environment, and public health.
- (7) Minimize the administrative burden of implementing and complying with these regulations.
 - (8) Minimize leakage.

- (9) Consider the significance of the contribution of each source or category of sources to statewide emissions of greenhouse gases.
- (c) In furtherance of achieving the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit, by January 1, 2011, the state board may adopt a regulation that establishes a system of market-based declining annual aggregate emission limits for sources or categories of sources that emit greenhouse gas emissions, applicable from January 1, 2012, to December 31, 2020, inclusive, that the state board determines will achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions, in the aggregate, from those sources or categories of sources.

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(d) Any regulation adopted by the state board pursuant to this part or Part 5 (commencing with Section 38570) shall ensure all of the following:

- (1) The greenhouse gas emission reductions achieved are real, permanent, quantifiable, verifiable, and enforceable by the state board.
- (2) For regulations pursuant to Part 5 (commencing with Section 38570), the reduction is in addition to any greenhouse gas emission reduction otherwise required by law or regulation, and any other greenhouse gas emission reduction that otherwise would occur.
- (3) If applicable, the greenhouse gas emission reduction occurs over the same time period and is equivalent in amount to any direct emission reduction required pursuant to this division.
- (e) The state board shall rely upon the best available economic and scientific information and its assessment of existing and projected technological capabilities when adopting the regulations required by this section.
- (f) The state board shall consult with the Public Utilities Commission in the development of the regulations as they affect electricity and natural gas providers in order to minimize duplicative or inconsistent regulatory requirements.
- (g) The state board shall consult with the California Integrated Waste Management Board in the development of the regulations to include rules for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from solid waste reduction and recycling.

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 (h) After January 1, 2011, the state board may revise regulations adopted pursuant to this section and adopt additional regulations to further the provisions of this division.

Introduced by Assembly Member Chesbro

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An act to amend Sections 41780 and 48000 of, and to add Sections 41780.01, 42649, and 48001.5 to, the Public Resources Code, relating to solid waste.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 479, as introduced, Chesbro. 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, including a source reduction component, a recycling component, and a composting component. With certain exceptions, 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.

Existing law requires the board to review, at least once every 2 years, a jurisdiction's source reduction and recycling element and household hazardous waste element. The board is required to issue an order of compliance if the board finds that a jurisdiction has failed to implement its source reduction and recycling element or its household hazardous waste element, pursuant to a specified procedure. If, after issuing an order of compliance, the board finds the city, county, or regional agency has failed to make a good faith effort to implement those elements, the

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board is authorized to impose administrative civil penalties upon the city, county, or regional agency.

This bill would require a city or county to divert 60% of all solid waste through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities on and after January 1, 2015, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program by imposing new duties on local agencies regarding solid waste management. The bill would also require the board to establish policies, programs, and incentives to ensure diversion of solid waste in accordance with a specified schedule.

(2) Existing law requires a local agency to impose certain requirements on an operator of a large venue or event to facilitate solid waste reduction, reuse, and recycling.

This bill would require the owner or operator of a business that contracts for solid waste services and generates more than 4 cubic yards of total solid waste and recyclable materials per week to arrange for recycling service, consistent with state and local laws and requirements, to the extent that these services are offered and reasonably available from a local service provider. The bill would require specified local agencies, by January 1, 2011, to adopt commercial recycling ordinances that include certain minimum requirements.

The bill would impose a state-mandated local program by imposing new duties upon local agencies with regard to the adoption of commercial recycling ordinances.

(3) The act requires an operator of a solid waste disposal facility to pay a quarterly fee of up to \$1.40 per ton based on the amount of all solid waste disposed of at each disposal site and requires the State Board of Equalization to collect the fees and deposit the fees in the Integrated Waste Management Account in the Integrated Waste Management Fund in the State Treasury. The act requires the board to use the moneys in the account, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for specified purposes.

This bill would, on and after January 1, 2010, establish the amount of the fee in an amount of \$3.90 per ton and would require \$2.50 of that fee after that date to be available for expenditure by the board, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for apportionment to jurisdictions, as specified.

(4) 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.

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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:

1 SECTION 1. (a) The Legislature finds and declares both of 2 the following:

- (1) Since the enactment of the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 (Division 30 (commencing with Section 40000) of the Public Resources Code), local governments and private industries have worked jointly to create an extensive material collection and recycling infrastructure and have implemented effective programs to achieve a statewide diversion rate above 50 percent.
- (2) Although the state now leads the nation in solid waste reduction and recycling, the state continues to dispose of more than 40 million tons of solid waste each year, which is more than the national average on a per capita basis. Additional efforts must be undertaken to divert more solid waste from disposal in order to conserve scarce natural resources.
- (b) The Legislature further finds and declares all of the following:
- (1) Approximately 64 percent of the state's solid waste disposal is from commercial sources, including commercial, industrial, construction, and demolition activities. In addition, 8 percent of the state's solid waste disposal is from multifamily residential housing that is often collected along with the commercial waste stream.
- (2) The state's local governments have made significant progress in reducing the amount of solid waste disposal from single-family residential sources that make up 28 percent of the state's disposal, but have faced more challenges in reducing disposal from the commercial and multifamily sources.
- (3) The disposal of commercial solid wastes harms natural resources, negatively impacts the state's environment, prevents materials from circulating in the state economy to produce jobs and new products, and contributes to global warming.

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 (4) The state has long been a national and international leader in environmental stewardship efforts and mandating the diversion of solid waste away from disposal. Bold environmental leadership and a new approach are needed to divert commercial solid waste away from disposal.

- (5) By exercising a leadership role, the state will lead the business community toward a future in which the environment and the economy both grow stronger together by recycling materials, which creates new jobs, instead of burying resources, which exit the economy forever.
- (6) By requiring commercial recycling, the state will help businesses reduce costly disposal fees and reclaim valuable resources.
- (7) Solid waste diversion and disposal reduction requires the availability of adequate solid waste processing and composting capacity.
- (8) The existing network of public and private solid waste processing and composting facilities provides a net environmental benefit to the communities served, and represents a valuable asset and resource of this state, one that must be sustained and expanded to provide the additional solid waste processing capacity that will be required to achieve the additional solid waste diversion mandates expressed in Section 41780 of the Public Resources Code as amended by this act.
- (9) It is the intent of the Legislature to encourage the development of the additional solid waste processing and composting capacity that is needed to meet state objectives for decreasing solid waste disposal by identifying incentives for local governments to locate and approve new or expanded facilities that meet and exceed their capacity needs, and to recognize local agencies that make significant contributions to the state's overall solid waste reduction and recycling objectives through the siting of facilities for the processing and composting of materials diverted from the solid waste stream.
- (10) The provisions in existing law that confer broad discretion on local agencies to determine aspects of solid waste handling that are of local concern have significantly contributed to the statewide diversion rate exceeding 50 percent, and further progress toward decreasing solid waste disposal requires that this essential element of local control be preserved.

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(11) Accordingly, by setting in this act new statewide solid waste diversion requirements in Section 41780 of the Public Resources Code, new solid waste diversion targets in Section 41780.01 of the Public Resources Code, and new commercial waste recycling requirements in Section 42649 of the Public Resources Code, the Legislature does not intend to limit a right afforded to local governments pursuant to Section 40059 of the Public Resources Code, or to modify or abrogate in any manner the rights of a local government or solid waste enterprise with regard to a solid waste handling franchise or contract granted on or before January 1, 2010.

- SEC. 2. Section 41780 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:
- 41780. (a) Each <u>eity or county jurisdiction</u>'s 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 jurisdiction 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, and 41784,—and 41785, for the first and each subsequent revision of the element, the city or county jurisdiction shall divert 50 percent of all solid waste on and after January 1, 2000, through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities.
- (3) Except as provided in Sections 41783 and 41784, for each subsequent revision of the element, the jurisdiction shall divert 60 percent of all solid waste on or after January 1, 2015, through source reduction, recycling, and composting activities.
- (b) Nothing in this part prohibits a city or county This part does not prohibit a jurisdiction from implementing source reduction, recycling, and composting activities designed to exceed these requirements.
- SEC. 3. Section 41780.01 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:
- 36 41780.01. The board shall adopt policies, programs, and 37 incentives to ensure that solid waste generated in this state is source 38 reduced, recycled, or composted in accordance with the following 39 schedule:

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(a) On and before January 1, 2015, ensure that 60 percent of all solid waste generated is source reduced, recycled, or composted.

- (b) On or before January 1, 2020, and annually thereafter, ensure that 75 percent of solid waste generated is source reduced, recycled, and composted.
- SEC. 4. Section 42649 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:
- 42649. (a) The owner or operator of a business that contracts for solid waste services and generates more than four cubic yards of total solid waste and recyclable materials that are not solid waste per week shall arrange for recycling services, consistent with state or local laws or requirements, including a local ordinance or agreement, applicable to the collection, handling, or recycling of solid waste, to the extent that these services are offered and reasonably available from a local service provider.
- (b) On or before January 1, 2011, each city, county, solid waste authority, or other joint powers authority located within a county with a population of 200,000 or more shall adopt a commercial recycling ordinance that is consistent with this section.
- (c) A commercial recycling ordinance adopted pursuant to this section shall include, at a minimum, both of the following:
- (1) An enforceable requirement that a commercial waste generator take one of the following actions:
- (A) Source separate specified recyclable materials from solid waste and subscribe to a basic level of recycling service that includes the collection of those recyclable materials or specific provisions for authorized self-hauling.
- (B) Subscribe to an alternative type of recycling service, which may include mixed waste processing, that yields diversion results comparable to source separation.
 - (2) Educational, implementation, and enforcement provisions.
- (d) For the purposes of this section, "business" means a commercial entity operated by a firm, partnership, proprietorship, joint stock company, corporation, or association that is organized as a for-profit or nonprofit entity.
- (e) This section does not limit the authority of a local agency to adopt, implement, or enforce a local commercial recycling ordinance that is more stringent or comprehensive than the requirements of this section or limit the authority of a local agency

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in a county with a population of less than 200,000 to require commercial recycling.

- (f) This section does not modify or abrogate in any manner either of the following:
- (1) A franchise granted or extended by a city, county, or other local government agency on or before January 1, 2010.
- (2) A contract, license, or permit to collect solid waste previously granted or extended by a city, county, or other local government agency on or before January 1, 2010.
- (3) The existing right of a business to sell or donate their recyclable materials.
- (g) (1) When adopting an ordinance pursuant to this section, a local agency may consider the adequacy of areas for collecting and loading recyclable materials.
- (2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a local agency shall not consider the adequacy of areas for collecting and loading recyclable materials for purposes of determining noncompliance with this section at a development project, as defined pursuant to Section 42905, if the development project was approved by the local agency on or after September 1, 1994.
- SEC. 5. Section 48000 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:
- 48000. (a) Each-An operator of a disposal facility shall pay a fee quarterly to the State Board of Equalization—which that is based on the amount, by weight or volumetric equivalent, as determined by the board, of all solid waste disposed of at each disposal site.
- (b) The-fee for solid waste disposed of shall be one dollar and thirty-four cents (\$1.34) per ton. Commencing with the 1995–96 fiscal-year, the amount of the fee shall be established by the board at an amount that is sufficient to generate revenues equivalent to the approved budget for that fiscal year, including a prudent reserve, but shall not exceed one dollar and forty cents (\$1.40) per ton.
- (c) The board shall notify the State Board of Equalization on the first day of the period in which the rate shall take effect of any rate change adopted pursuant to this section.
- 37 (b) On and after January 1, 2010, the amount of the fee shall equal three dollars and ninety cents (\$3.90) per ton.

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(c) The board and the State Board of Equalization shall ensure that all the fees for solid waste imposed pursuant to this section that are collected at a transfer station are paid to the State Board of Equalization in accordance with this article.

- (d) Notwithstanding Section 48001, on and after January 1, 2010, an amount of two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) of the fee imposed for each ton of solid waste disposed of at each disposal site shall be available to the board for expenditure pursuant to Section 48001.5.
- SEC. 6. Section 48001.5 is added to the Public Resources Code, to read:
 - 48001.5. The fee revenues collected by the State Board of Equalization pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 48000 shall be available to the board, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for expenditure by the board according to the following:
 - (a) Between January 1, 2010, and January 1, 2015, the fee revenue shall be apportioned on a per capita basis to jurisdictions for the expansion of source reduction, recycling, and composting programs, including residential recycling programs and commercial recycling programs, as well as the development of new and expanded recycling and composting infrastructure.
 - (b) On and after January 1, 2015, the fee revenues shall be apportioned on a per capita basis to jurisdictions that have achieved the diversion rate specified in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 41780 for use pursuant to subdivision (a) of this section. For jurisdictions that have not reach the diversion rate required in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 41780, the board shall expend the fee revenues to establish local programs to help the jurisdictions achieve the diversion rate required by paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 41780.
 - SEC. 7. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIIIB 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.

Introduced by Assembly Member Huffman

February 27, 2009

An act to add Chapter 7.3 (commencing with Section 42420) to Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, relating to recycling.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1173, as introduced, Huffman. Recycling: compact fluorescent lamps.

The existing California Lighting Efficiency and Toxics Reduction Act prohibits, on and after January 1, 2010, except for certain specified circumstances, a person from manufacturing, selling, or offering for sale in the state specified general purpose lights that contain levels of hazardous substances prohibited by the European Union pursuant to the RoHS Directive, as specified.

This bill would prohibit the distribution of moneys from energy efficiency investment funds or any other funds generated from usage-based charges on electricity distribution that are provided by California's retail sellers of electricity to any entity for compact fluorescent lamps, unless the compact fluorescent lamps meet certain specifications, and the manufacturer or distributor of the compact fluorescent lamps has implemented a recycling program or has agreed to pay an unspecified amount for every lamp for which funding is received into a compact fluorescent lamp recycling fund. The bill would prohibit the distribution of moneys from energy efficiency investment funds or any other funds generated from usage-based charges on electricity distribution that are provided by California's retail sellers of electricity to a retailer, unless the retailer has agreed to provide the

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public an in-store collection opportunity for the recycling of compact fluorescent lamps.

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. This act shall be known, and may be cited, as the California Fluorescent Lamp Toxics Reduction and Recycling Act. SEC. 2. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:
 - (1) California policy, including the California Lighting Efficiency and Toxics Reduction Act (Chapter 534 of the Statutes of 2007), has put California on a path of transition from incandescent lamps to more energy-efficient lighting, including substantially increased utilization of fluorescent lighting.
 - (2) Many existing lighting choices contain toxic materials. Most fluorescent lighting products contain mercury. Most incandescent lighting products contain lead. California prohibits disposing of lighting products containing hazardous levels of metal in the solid waste stream. The hazardous material in waste lighting products can be reduced and managed through recycling, but recycling opportunities are currently inconvenient or nonexistent for most consumers.
 - (3) Fluorescent lighting products delivering the same level of light at the same level of efficiency can have varying levels of mercury. The Department of General Services has adopted a procurement preference favoring low-mercury fluorescent lamps.
 - (4) In 2007, the Legislature enacted the California Lighting Efficiency and Toxics Reduction Act (Chapter 534 of the Statutes of 2007), which directed the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to convene a lighting task force to consider and make policy recommendations to the Legislature for designing a statewide collection program for end-of-life fluorescent lights. On September 1, 2008, the task force submitted recommendations to the Legislature on the need and options for a convenient statewide system for the collection and recycling of fluorescent lamps for
- 31 residential generators.

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(b) It is the intent of the Legislature to have an established system for the recycling of residential generated fluorescent lamps that is free and convenient for end users.

SEC. 3. Chapter 7.3 (commencing with Section 42420) is added to Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, to read:

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- 42420. (a) Moneys from energy efficiency investment funds or any other funds generated from usage-based charges on electricity distribution that are provided by California's retail sellers of electricity shall not be distributed to any entity for compact fluorescent lamps, unless all of the following conditions exist:
- (1) All compact fluorescent lamps purchased are ENERGY STAR version 4.0 qualified, or the most recent version listed on the ENERGY STAR Internet Web site, including, but not limited to, a maximum allowable mercury content and a rated lifetime requirement for compact fluorescent lamps.
- (2) The manufacturer or distributor of the compact fluorescent lamps has done either of the following:
- (A) Implemented a comprehensive recycling program for compact fluorescent lamps.
- (B) Agreed to pay ____ cents (\$____) for every lamp for which funding is received into a compact fluorescent lamp recycling fund.
- (b) Moneys from energy efficiency investment funds or any other funds generated from usage-based charges on electricity distribution that are provided by California's retail sellers of electricity shall not be distributed to a retailer, unless the retailer has agreed to provide the public with a convenient in-store collection opportunity for the recycling of compact fluorescent lamps.

Introduced by Assembly Member Huffman

February 27, 2009

An act to add and repeal Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 48700) of Part 7 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, relating to solid waste.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1343, as introduced, Huffman. Solid waste: architectural paint. Existing law prohibits the disposal of latex paint in the land or waters of the state and authorizes certain persons to accept latex paint for recycling.

This bill would create the architectural paint recovery program and would require architectural paint manufacturers, on and after January 1, 2010, to develop and implement strategies to reduce the generation of postconsumer paint, promote the reuse of postconsumer paint, and manage the end-of-life of postconsumer paint through collecting, transporting, and processing postconsumer paint. The manufacturers would be allowed to establish a cost recovery system to collect a fee from the consumer on all architectural paint sold in this state sufficient to recover the costs of the end-of-life management of postconsumer paint in an environmentally sound fashion.

The bill would require manufacturers to submit a report to the California Integrated Waste Management Board by July 1, 2010, and each year thereafter, describing their paint recovery efforts. On and after January 1, 2012, the board would be required to submit a report to the Legislature describing the results of the architectural paint

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recovery program, including certain recommendations and financial analysis.

This bill would make the program inoperable on July 1, 2013, and would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2014.

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. Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 48700) is added to Part 7 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, to read:

Chapter 5. Architectural Paint Recovery Program

48700. The purpose of the architectural paint recovery program established pursuant to this chapter is to require paint manufacturers to develop and implement a program to collect, transport, and process postconsumer paint to reduce the costs and environmental impacts of the disposal of postconsumer paint in this state.

48701. For the purposes of this chapter the following terms have the following meanings:

- (a) "Board" means the California Integrated Waste Management Board.
 - (b) "Manufacturer" means a manufacturer of architectural paint.
- (c) "Paint" means interior or exterior architectural coatings, including paints and stains purchased for commercial or homeowner use, but does not include architectural coatings purchased for industrial or original equipment manufacturer use.
- 48702. (a) On and after January 1, 2010, a manufacturer of paint sold in this state shall, individually or through a representative organization, implement a recovery program to undertake responsibility for the development and implementation of strategies to reduce the generation of postconsumer paint, promote the reuse of postconsumer paint, and manage the end-of-life of postconsumer paint, through collecting, transporting, and processing the postconsumer paint.
- (b) A cost recovery system may be established by the manufacturer, individually or through a representative organization,

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to collect a fee from the consumer on all architectural paint sold in this state sufficient to recover the costs of the end-of-life management of postconsumer paint in an environmentally sound fashion, including collecting, storing, transporting, and reusing or disposing of the postconsumer paint.

- 48703. By July 1, 2010, and each year thereafter, a manufacturer of paint sold in this state shall, individually or through a representative organization, submit a report to the board describing its paint recovery efforts. At a minimum, the reports shall include all of the following:
- (a) The total volume of paint sold in this state during the preceding calendar year.
- (b) The total volume of postconsumer paint recovered in this state during the preceding calendar year.
- (c) A description of methods used to collect, transport, and process postconsumer paint in this state.
 - (d) The total cost of implementing the program.
- (e) An evaluation of how the program's funding mechanism operated.
- (f) Examples of educational materials that were provided to consumers.
- (g) An analysis of the environmental costs and benefits of collecting and recycling latex paint.
- (h) An evaluation of the feasibility of donating usable postconsumer paint to charitable organizations, nonprofit organizations, and kindergarten and grades 1 to 12, inclusive, schools.
- 48704. On or before January 1, 2012, the board shall submit a report to the Legislature describing the results of the architectural paint recovery program and recommending whether it should be extended and any modifications needed to improve the functioning and efficiency of the program. The report shall include an analysis of the costs avoided by state and local government agencies as a result of the program.
- 48705. Any action taken by a manufacturer or representative organization regarding the cost recovery system or the collecting, transporting, or processing of postconsumer paint, pursuant to the requirements of this chapter and only to the extent necessary to plan and implement the cost recovery system, collection system, or recycling system, is not a violation of the Cartwright Act

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1 (Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 16700) of Part 2 of Division
2 7 of the Business and Professions Code), the Unfair Practices Act
3 (Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 17000) of Part 2 of Division
4 7 of the Business and Professions Code), or any other state law
5 relating to antitrust, regulation of trade, or regulation of commerce.
6 48706. This chapter shall become inoperative on July 1, 2013,
7 and, as of January 1, 2014, is repealed, unless a later enacted
8 statute, that becomes operative on or before January 1, 2014,
9 deletes or extends the dates on which it becomes inoperative and
10 is repealed.

Introduced by Senator Padilla

December 1, 2008

An act to add Article 4 (commencing with Section 40520) to Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, relating to solid waste.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 25, as introduced, Padilla. Solid waste: diversion.

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 require the board, by July 1, _____, to develop a strategic and comprehensive plan to achieve, on or before January 1, _____, a diversion rate of 75% of solid waste statewide from landfill disposal or transformation.

The bill would require the board to adopt policies, programs, and incentives to ensure that on or before December 21, _____, 60% of all solid waste generated in the state is source reduced, recycled, or composted and to ensure that on or before January 1, _____, and annually thereafter, 75% of all solid waste generated is source reduced, recycled, or composted.

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

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

SECTION 1. Article 4 (commencing with Section 40520) is added to Chapter 3 of Part 1 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, to read:

Article 4. Statewide Diversion

- 40520. The Legislature finds and declares all of the following:
- (a) Since the enactment of this division, local governments and private industry have worked jointly to create an extensive material collection and recycling infrastructure and have implemented effective programs to achieve a statewide diversion rate above 50 percent.
- (b) Although the state now leads the nation in waste reduction and recycling, the state continues to dispose of more than 40 million tons of waste each year, which is more than the national average on a per capita basis.
- (c) To meet the goals of the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (Division 25.5 (commencing with Section 38500) of the Health and Safety Code), there is an urgent need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from all aspects of solid waste handling through increased source reduction, reuse, and recycling.
- (d) The purpose of this article is to build on the successful efforts of local governments and private industry to achieve a statewide diversion rate of 75 percent by January 1, _____, through strategic statewide initiatives developed and implemented by the board.
- 40521. On or before July 1, ____, the board shall develop a strategic and comprehensive plan to achieve, on or before January 1, ____, a diversion rate of 75 percent of solid waste statewide from landfill disposal or transformation. The plan developed by the board shall include all of the following:
- (a) Place primary emphasis on programs that minimize the generation of solid waste, maximize diversion from landfills, and manage materials to ensure their highest and best use in accordance with the waste management hierarchy specified in Section 40051 and in support of the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (Division 25.5 (commencing with Section 38500) of the Health and Safety Code).

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(b) Include specific statewide strategies for promoting producer responsibility, increasing commercial recycling, expanding the recovery of construction and demolition debris, increasing the diversion of organics, and increasing recycling opportunities for multifamily housing.

- (c) Identify opportunities to update and expand the source reduction and recycling elements of the local integrated waste management plans prepared pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 41000) or Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 41300) of Part 2, to include cost-effective opportunities to advance waste management practices that increase diversion and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
- (d) Include specific strategies to enable each state agency to achieve a diversion rate of 75 percent on or before January 1, _____
- (e) Identify incentives, investments, and environmentally sound processing technologies that are necessary to achieve a diversion rate of 75 percent.
- 40522. The board shall adopt policies, programs, and incentives to ensure that solid waste generated in this state is source reduced, recycled, or composted, in accordance with the following schedule:
- (a) On or before December 21, _____, ensure that 60 percent of all solid waste generated is source reduced, recycled, or composted.
- (b) On or before January 1, _____, and annually thereafter, ensure that 75 percent of all solid waste generated is source reduced, recycled, or composted.

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Introduced by Senator Simitian

December 1, 2008

An act to add Sections 4001.2, 4068.1, and 4146 to the Business and Professions Code, to amend Sections 117700, 117935, 117945, 117960, 118000, 118040, 118147, and 118165 of, and to add Sections 117642, 117669, 117748, 117904.5, 118031, and 118041 to, the Health and Safety Code, and to amend Section 47200 of the Public Resources Code, relating to pharmaceutical waste.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 26, as introduced, Simitian. Home-generated pharmaceutical waste.

The existing Pharmacy Law establishes the California State Board of Pharmacy, prescribes the licensing, regulatory, and disciplinary functions of the board, and authorizes the board to adopt rules and regulations necessary to administer laws governing the operation of pharmacies and the dispensing of drugs and devices to the public.

This bill would require the board to coordinate with other state agencies, local governments, drug manufacturers, and pharmacies to develop sustainable, efficient policies and programs to manage pharmaceutical wastes and the disposal of devices. The bill would authorize a pharmacy to accept the return of home-generated pharmaceutical waste and home-generated sharps waste, as defined.

Existing law, the California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989, requires the California Integrated Waste Management Board to adopt regulations that set forth minimum standards for solid waste management and require assurance of financial ability to pay for specified injury and property damage claims resulting from the operation of a disposal facility. The act requires the board to expend moneys from

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the Solid Waste Management Account in the Integrated Waste Management Fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for the making of grants to cities, counties, or other local agencies with responsibility for solid waste management, and for local programs to help prevent the disposal of hazardous wastes at disposal sites, as provided.

This bill would require that local programs to help prevent the disposal of home-generated sharps waste and home-generated pharmaceutical waste at disposal sites also be included among the types of local programs that may be funded by such a grant.

Existing law, the Medical Waste Management Act, requires the State Department of Public Health to regulate the management and handling of medical waste, as defined. Under existing law, certain items, such as household waste, are specifically excluded from the definition of medical waste.

This bill would also exclude home-generated pharmaceutical waste, as defined, from the definition of medical waste.

Existing law regulates the methods of consolidating, storing, and transporting medical waste and home-generated sharps waste. Violation of these provisions is a crime.

This bill would regulate consolidation points for home-generated pharmaceutical waste, as defined, as well as transportation and disposal of that waste by both hazardous waste haulers and common carriers, as defined. By expanding the definition of a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

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:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 4001.2 is added to the Business and 2 Professions Code, to read:
- 3 4001.2. To further the purposes of Section 4001.1, and to
- 4 protect the public from hazards caused by the improper
- 5 management and disposal of waste drugs and devices, the

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1 California State Board of Pharmacy shall coordinate with other 2 state agencies, local governments, drug manufacturers, and 3 pharmacies to develop sustainable, efficient policies and programs

- 4 to properly manage pharmaceutical wastes and the disposal of these wastes.
- 6 SEC. 2. Section 4068.1 is added to the Business and Professions 7 Code, to read:
 - 4068.1. A pharmacy may accept the return of home-generated pharmaceutical waste, as defined in Section 117769 of the Health and Safety Code, from the public.
- SEC. 3. Section 4146 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:
 - 4146. A pharmacy may accept the return of home-generated sharps waste, as defined in Section 117671 of the Health and Safety Code, from a person if the waste is contained in a sharps container.
 - SEC. 4. Section 117642 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:
 - 117642. "Common carrier" means a person or company that hauls for hire goods, including, but not limited to, pharmaceutical waste or home-generated pharmaceutical waste. Home-generated pharmaceutical waste must have been consolidated at a location approved by the enforcement agency as a home-generated pharmaceutical waste consolidation point.
 - SEC. 5. Section 117669 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:
 - 117669. "Home-generated pharmaceutical waste" means prescribed and over-the-counter drugs derived from a household.
 - SEC. 6. Section 117700 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
 - 117700. Medical waste does not include any of the following:
 - (a) Waste generated in food processing or biotechnology that does not contain an infectious agent as defined in Section 117675.
 - (b) Waste generated in biotechnology that does not contain human blood or blood products or animal blood or blood products suspected of being contaminated with infectious agents known to
- 36 be communicable to humans.

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37 (c) Urine, feces, saliva, sputum, nasal secretions, sweat, tears, 38 or vomitus, unless it contains fluid blood, as provided in 39 subdivision (d) of Section 117635.

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(d) Waste-which that is not biohazardous, such as paper towels, paper products, articles containing nonfluid blood, and other medical solid waste products commonly found in the facilities of medical waste generators.

- (e) Hazardous waste, radioactive waste, or household waste, including, but not limited to, home-generated sharps waste, as defined in Section 117671, and home-generated pharmaceutical waste, as defined in Section 117669.
- (f) Waste generated from normal and legal veterinarian, agricultural, and animal livestock management practices on a farm or ranch.
- SEC. 7. Section 117748 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:
- 117748. "Pharmaceutical waste" means any pharmaceutical, prescription, or over-the-counter human or veterinary drug, including, but not limited to, a drug, as defined in Section 109925, or the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. Sec. 321(g)(1)) that meets any of the following requirements:
- (a) The drug may no longer be sold or dispensed because it has expired.
 - (b) The drug can no longer be used for its intended purpose.
 - (c) The drug has been discarded.
- (d) The drug has been consolidated at a location approved by the enforcement agency as a home-generated pharmaceutical waste consolidation point.
- SEC. 8. Section 117904.5 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:
- 117904.5. (a) In addition to the consolidation points authorized pursuant to Section 118147, the enforcement agency may approve a location as a point of consolidation for the collection of home-generated pharmaceutical waste. These locations may include, but are not limited to, pharmacies, heath care facilities, veterinarian offices, clinics, household hazardous waste programs, solid waste facilities, senior centers, or government offices.
- (b) A consolidation location approved pursuant to this section shall be known as a home-generated pharmaceutical waste consolidation point.
- 38 (c) A home-generated pharmaceutical waste consolidation point 39 is not subject to the requirements of Chapter 9 (commencing with 40 Section 118275) of Part 14 of Division 4, to the permit

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requirements of this part, or to any permit or registration fees, with regard to the activity of consolidating home-generated pharmaceutical waste pursuant to this section.

- (d) A home-generated pharmaceutical waste consolidation point shall comply with all of the following requirements:
- (1) It shall be approved by the enforcement agency for this purpose.
- (2) The home-generated pharmaceutical waste collected and consolidated at the facility shall be collected and contained in a leak-resistant container and placed in a secure area that does not allow the waste to be accessed or salvaged by unauthorized persons.
- (3) Containers ready for disposal shall not be held for more than 90 days without the written approval of the enforcement agency.
- (e) An operator of a home-generated pharmaceutical waste consolidation point that is approved pursuant to this section shall not be considered a generator of that waste.
- (f) The end disposal facility that treats the home-generated pharmaceutical waste shall maintain the tracking documents required by Section 118040 or 118041, as applicable, and Section 118165 with regard to the pharmaceutical waste.
- (g) Nothing in this section shall exempt any person from any federal or state law governing pharmaceuticals.
- SEC. 9. Section 117935 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
- 117935. Any small quantity generator required to register with the enforcement agency pursuant to Section 117930 shall file with the enforcement agency a medical waste management plan, on forms prescribed by the enforcement agency containing, but not limited to, all of the following:
- (a) The name of the person.
 - (b) The business address of the person.
- 32 (c) The type of business.

- 33 (d) The types, and the estimated average monthly quantity, of medical waste generated.
 - (e) The type of treatment used onsite.
 - (f) The name and business address of the registered hazardous waste hauler used by the generator for backup treatment and disposal, for waste when the onsite treatment method is not appropriate due to the hazardous or radioactive characteristics of the waste, or the name of the registered hazardous waste hauler

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used by the generator to have untreated medical waste removed for treatment and disposal, and, if applicable, the name of the common carrier used by the generator to transport pharmaceutical waste offsite for treatment and disposal.

- (g) A statement indicating that the generator is hauling the medical waste generated in his or her business pursuant to Section 118030 and the name and any business address of the treatment and disposal facilities to which the waste is being hauled, if applicable.
- (h) The name and business address of the registered hazardous waste hauler service provided by the building management to which the building tenants may subscribe or are required by the building management to subscribe and the name and business address of the treatment and disposal facilities used, if applicable.
- (i) A statement certifying that the information provided is complete and accurate.
- SEC. 10. Section 117945 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
- 117945. Small quantity generators who are not required to register pursuant to this chapter shall maintain on file in their office all of following:
- (a) An information document stating how the generator contains, stores, treats, and disposes of any medical waste generated through any act or process of the generator.
- (b) Records of any medical waste transported offsite for treatment and disposal, including the quantity of waste transported, the date transported, and the name of the registered hazardous waste hauler or individual hauling the waste pursuant to Section 118030, or the name of the common carrier hauling pharmaceutical waste pursuant to Section 118031. The small quantity generator shall maintain these records for not less than two years.
- SEC. 11. Section 117960 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
 - 117960. Any large quantity generator required to register with the enforcement agency pursuant to Section 117950 shall file with the enforcement agency a medical waste management plan, on forms prescribed by the enforcement agency containing, but not limited to, all of the following:
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 - (a) The name of the person.

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- (b) The business address of the person.
- (c) The type of business.

- (d) The types, and the estimated average monthly quantity, of medical waste generated.
- (e) The type of treatment used onsite, if applicable. For generators with onsite medical waste treatment facilities, including incinerators or steam sterilizers or other treatment facilities as determined by the enforcement agency, the treatment capacity of the onsite treatment facility.
- (f) The name and business address of the registered hazardous waste hauler used by the generator to have untreated medical waste removed for treatment, if applicable, or the name of the common carrier hauling pharmaceutical waste pursuant to Section 118031.
- (g) The name and business address of the registered hazardous waste hauler service provided by the building management to which the building tenants may subscribe or are required by the building management to subscribe, if applicable.
- (h) The name and business address of the offsite medical waste treatment facility to which the medical waste is being hauled, if applicable.
- (i) An emergency action plan complying with regulations adopted by the department.
- (j) A statement certifying that the information provided is complete and accurate.
- SEC. 12. Section 118000 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
- 118000. (a) Except as otherwise exempted pursuant to Section 118030 or 118031, all medical waste transported to an offsite medical waste treatment facility shall be transported in accordance with this chapter by a registered hazardous waste transporter issued a registration certificate pursuant to Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 118025) and Article 6.5 (commencing with Section 25167.1) of Chapter 6.5 of Division 20. A hazardous waste transporter transporting medical waste shall have a copy of the transporter's valid hazardous waste transporter registration certificate in the transporter's possession while transporting medical waste. The transporter shall show the certificate, upon demand, to any enforcement agency personnel or authorized employee of the Department of the California Highway Patrol.

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(b) Except for small quantity generators transporting medical waste pursuant to Section 118030 or small quantity generators or common carriers transporting home-generated pharmaceutical waste pursuant to Section 118031, medical waste shall be transported to a permitted offsite medical waste treatment facility or a permitted transfer station in leak-resistant and fully enclosed rigid secondary containers that are then loaded into an enclosed cargo body.

- (c) A person shall not transport medical waste in the same vehicle with other waste unless the medical waste is separately contained in rigid containers or kept separate by barriers from other waste, or unless all of the waste is to be handled as medical waste in accordance with this part.
- (d) Medical waste shall only be transported to a permitted medical waste treatment facility, or to a transfer station or another registered generator for the purpose of consolidation before treatment and disposal, pursuant to this part.
- (e) Facilities for the transfer of medical waste shall be annually inspected and issued permits in accordance with the regulations adopted pursuant to this part.
- (f) Any persons manually loading or unloading containers of medical waste shall be provided by their employer at the beginning of each shift with, and shall be required to wear, clean and protective gloves and coveralls, changeable lab coats, or other protective clothing. The department may require, by regulation, other protective devices appropriate to the type of medical waste being handled.
- SEC. 13. Section 118031 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:
- 118031. Pharmaceutical waste may be shipped by a common carrier if the generator or home-generated pharmaceutical waste consolidation point meets the following requirements:
- 33 (a) The facility shall maintain documentation as required in Sections 118040 and 118041.
 - (b) The waste products are transported to any of the following:
 - (1) A medical waste facility.
- 37 (2) A hazardous waste facility.
- 38 (3) A reverse distributor, with the final destination of a medical or hazardous waste facility.

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SEC. 14. Section 118040 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

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3 118040. (a) Except with regard to sharps waste consolidated 4 by a home-generated sharps consolidation point approved pursuant 5 to Section 117904, pharmaceutical waste or home-generated 6 pharmaceutical waste consolidated by a home-generated pharmaceutical waste consolidation point approved pursuant to 8 Section 117904.5, or home-generated pharmaceutical waste 9 transported pursuant to Section 118031, a hazardous waste 10 transporter or generator transporting medical waste shall maintain 11 a completed tracking document of all medical waste removed for 12 treatment or disposal. A hazardous waste transporter or generator 13 who transports medical waste to a facility, other than the final 14 medical waste treatment facility, shall also maintain tracking 15 documents which show the name, address, and telephone number 16 of the medical waste generator, for purposes of tracking the 17 generator of medical waste when the waste is transported to the 18 final medical waste treatment facility. At the time that the medical 19 waste is received by a hazardous waste transporter, the transporter 20 shall provide the medical waste generator with a copy of the 21 tracking document for the generator's medical waste records. The transporter or generator transporting medical waste shall maintain 22 23 its copy of the tracking document for three years.

- (b) The tracking document shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following information:
- (1) The name, address, telephone number, and registration number of the transporter, unless transported pursuant to Section 118030.
 - (2) The type and quantity of medical waste transported.
 - (3) The name, address, and telephone number of the generator.
- (4) The name, address, telephone number, permit number, and the signature of an authorized representative of the permitted facility receiving the medical waste.
- (5) The date that the medical waste is collected or removed from the generator's facility, the date that the medical waste is received by the transfer station, the registered large quantity generator, or point of consolidation, if applicable, and the date that the medical waste is received by the treatment facility.
- (c) Any hazardous waste transporter or generator transporting medical waste in a vehicle shall have a tracking document in his

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or her possession while transporting the medical waste. The tracking document shall be shown upon demand to any enforcement agency personnel or officer of the Department of the California Highway Patrol. If the medical waste is transported by rail, vessel, or air, the railroad corporation, vessel operator, or airline shall enter on the shipping papers any information concerning the medical waste that the enforcement agency may require.

- (d) A hazardous waste transporter or a generator transporting medical waste shall provide the facility receiving the medical waste with the original tracking document.
- (e) Each hazardous waste transporter and each medical waste treatment facility shall provide tracking data periodically and in a format as determined by the department.
- (f) Medical waste transported out of state shall be consigned to a permitted medical waste treatment facility in the receiving state. If there is no permitted medical waste treatment facility in the receiving state or if the medical waste is crossing an international border, the medical waste shall be treated in accordance with Chapter 8 (commencing with Section 118215) prior to being transported out of the state.
- SEC. 15. Section 118041 is added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:
 - 118041. (a) A person transporting pharmaceutical waste shall maintain a completed tracking document of all pharmaceutical waste removed for treatment or disposal. A copy of the tracking document shall be included with the container holding the pharmaceutical waste.
 - (b) The tracking document shall include, but not be limited to, all of the following information:
 - (1) The name, address, and telephone number of the generator.
 - (2) Specific information indicating that pharmaceutical waste is being transported.
 - (3) The name, address, and telephone number of the person transporting the waste.
 - (4) The name, address, telephone number, and permit number of the permitted treatment facility or transfer station to which the pharmaceutical waste is being sent.

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(5) The date that the pharmaceutical waste was collected or removed from the generator or home-generated pharmaceutical waste consolidation point.

- (c) A person tracking pharmaceutical waste shall have a tracking document for the waste in his or her possession while transporting the waste. The tracking document shall be shown, upon demand, to any enforcement agency personnel or officer of the Department of the California Highway Patrol.
- (d) A medical waste treatment facility and transfer station shall date and sign a copy of the tracking document upon receipt, periodically provide data in a format determined by the department, and shall maintain a copy of the tracking document for three years.
- (e) This section does not prohibit the use of a single document to verify the return of more than one container to a parent organization or another health care facility for the purpose of consolidation before treatment and disposal of the pharmaceutical waste over a period of time, if the form or log is maintained in the files of the parent organization or other health care facility that receives the waste.
- (f) Pharmaceutical waste transported out of state shall be consigned to a permitted medical waste treatment facility in the receiving state. If there is no permitted medical waste treatment facility in the receiving state, or if the waste is crossing an international border, the home-generated pharmaceutical waste shall be treated pursuant to Section 118222 prior to being transported out of state.
- SEC. 16. Section 118147 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
- 118147. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a registered medical waste generator, which is a facility specified in subdivisions (a) and (b) of Section 117705, may accept home-generated sharps waste and home-generated pharmaceutical waste, to be consolidated with the facility's medical waste stream, subject to all of the following conditions:
- (a) The generator of the home-generated sharps waste or home-generated pharmaceutical waste, a member of the generator's family, or a person authorized by the enforcement agency transports the sharps waste or pharmaceutical waste to the medical waste generator's facility.

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(b) The home-generated sharps waste or home-generated pharmaceutical waste is accepted at a central location at the medical waste generator's facility.

- (c) A reference to, and a description of, the actions taken pursuant to this section are included in the facility's medical waste management plan adopted pursuant to Section 117960.
- SEC. 17. Section 118165 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:
- 118165. On and after April 1, 1991, all persons operating a medical waste treatment facility shall maintain individual records for a period of three years and shall report or submit to the enforcement agency upon request, all of the following information:
 - (a) The type of treatment facility and its capacity.
 - (b) All treatment facility operating records.
- (c) Copies of the tracking documents for all medical waste it receives for treatment from offsite generators or from hazardous waste haulers or common carriers, pursuant to Section 118041.
- SEC. 18. Section 47200 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:
- 47200. (a) The board shall expend funds from the account, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for the making of grants to cities, counties, or other local agencies with responsibility for solid waste management, and for local programs to help prevent the disposal of home-generated sharps waste, as defined in Section 117671 of the Health and Safety Code, home-generated pharmaceutical waste, as defined in Section 117669 of the Health and Safety Code, and hazardous wastes at disposal sites, including, but not limited to, programs to expand or initially implement household hazardous waste programs. In making grants pursuant to this section, the board shall give priority to funding programs that provide for the following:
- (1) New programs for rural areas, underserved areas, and for small cities.
- (2) Expansion of existing programs to provide for the collection of additional waste types, innovative or more cost-effective collection methods, or expanded public education services.
 - (3) Regional household hazardous waste programs.
- (b) (1) The total amount of grants made by the board pursuant to this section shall not exceed, in any one fiscal year, three million dollars (\$3,000,000).

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(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), the total amount of grants made by the board pursuant to this section may exceed three million dollars (\$3,000,000) but shall not exceed six million dollars (\$6,000,000), in any one fiscal year, if sufficient funds are appropriated from the Integrated Waste Management Account for this purpose.

SEC. 19. 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 Constitution.

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Introduced by Senators Correa, Padilla, and Romero (Coauthor: Assembly Member Torlakson)

February 26, 2009

An act to add and repeal Chapter 12.4 (commencing with Section 42615) of Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, relating to school recycling programs.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 497, as introduced, Correa. School recycling programs.

(1) Existing law establishes the public school system in this state and, among other things, provides for the establishment of school districts throughout the state and for their provision of instruction at the public elementary and secondary schools they operate and maintain. Existing law authorizes school districts to establish and maintain a paper recycling program in all classrooms, administrative offices, and other areas owned or leased by the school district where a significant quality of wastepaper is generated or may be collected. Existing law requires the California Integrated Waste Management Board to develop and implement a source reduction and recycling program for schools in which schools are encouraged, but not required, to participate.

This bill would express findings and declarations of the Legislature with respect to the potential benefits of school recycling programs. The bill would, until January 1, 2012, require each school district to consult with the local Community Conservation Corps to obtain information in order to establish a beverage container recycling program at each school campus and public office of that school district, but only to the extent that the district does not incur costs. Under the bill, a school district would be authorized to choose whether to operate its own beverage container recycling program, to contact its local Community

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Conservation Corps or another recycler to collect the beverage containers, to provide a beverage container collection program as a fundraising activity for the school district, or to continue a recycling program in existence on January 1, 2009. Because the bill would impose new duties on school districts, it would constitute a state-mandated local program.

The bill would require the California Integrated Waste Management Board and the Department of Conservation to provide specified recycling supplies and materials to a school district to which the bill is applicable upon request of that district. The bill would authorize school districts to enter into an agreement or partnership with a public agency or private sector or nonprofit entity to obtain all or part of the supplies and information necessary for participation in the beverage container recycling program and to use the proceeds from the program for specified purposes.

(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, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) The Legislature finds and declares all of the 2 following:
- 3 (1) Recycling saves energy, resources, and landfill space, 4 prevents emissions of many greenhouse gases and water pollutants, 5 creates jobs and helps the economy, reduces the need for 6 incinerators, and stimulates the development of greener 7 technologies.
 - (2) Only about one-fourth of the paper, aluminum, iron, and steel used in the world is recovered for recycling.
- 10 (3) Although the waste generated from school districts is only about 2 percent of the statewide waste stream, within an individual jurisdiction school district waste can represent as much as 10 to 15 percent of the total waste disposed in a jurisdiction.

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(4) Every year, commercial and industrial enterprises in California spend more than \$2.8 billion on the collection and disposal of solid waste.

- (5) California currently generates approximately 68 million tons of solid waste per year, about two tons annually per each man, woman, and child in the state.
- (6) Recycling and other waste diversion efforts keep an estimated 28.5 million tons of solid waste out of the state's landfills annually. Since 1990, cities and counties have diverted over 200 million tons of solid waste—enough to fill a line of garbage trucks end-to-end that would circle the Earth's equator more than six times.
- (7) According to the Department of Conservation, only 14.7 billion of the 22 billion beverage containers bought last year in California were recycled.
- (8) The annual impact of recycling these billions of beverage containers saves approximately 5.3 million barrels of oil and reduces greenhouse gas emissions by approximately 617,000 metric tons
- (9) Ongoing costs of collection and sorting efforts are typically minimal compared to the savings from diversion and income realized from the recycled materials.
- (10) California school districts dispose of large amounts of waste (approximately 763,817 tons per year).
- (11) Incorporating waste reduction as part of the school district's overall way of doing business can provide a number of important benefits:
 - (A) Reduced disposal costs.
- 29 (B) Improved worker safety.

- (C) Reduced long-term liability.
- 31 (D) Increased efficiency of school operations.
 - (E) Decreased associated purchasing costs.
 - (12) The California Integrated Waste Management Act of 1989 requires that all California cities and counties divert 50 percent of solid waste generation. School districts can play a critical role in a city or county's ability to realize this goal.
- 37 (13) School facilities that have implemented recycling programs 38 have been able to achieve diversion rates as high as 80 percent.
- 39 (14) For example, the Desert Sands Unified School District was 40 able to save enough in avoided disposal costs to more than pay for

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the program's full-time staff member. The district saved an additional \$57,000, which it transferred to the schools' discretionary budgets based upon participation. Each school received amounts ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000, with a high of \$7,000.

- (15) When pupils, faculty, administrators, and district office staff use recycling bins for bottles and cans, they will accomplish all of the following:
- (A) Reduce the district's waste collection and disposal expenditures.
 - (B) Help to raise money for our schools.
- (C) In some cases, they will help to increase the ability of their local Community Conservation Corps to expand and help more at-risk youth.
- (D) Send an important message to California's young people, encouraging them to be aware of the environmental implications of their actions, including the positive impact recycling has on reducing global warming.
- (b) Therefore, it is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to require each public school and school district office in the state to consult with the local Community Conservation Corps or another recycler to provide and maintain a sufficient number of beverage container recycling bins for participation in a local recycling program or to administer its own recycling program.
- SEC. 2. Chapter 12.4 (commencing with Section 42615) is added to Part 3 of Division 30 of the Public Resources Code, to read:

Chapter 12.4. School Beverage Container Recycling Program

42615. For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions
apply:
(a) "Beverage container" has the same meaning as defined in

- (a) "Beverage container" has the same meaning as defined in Section 14505.
- (b) "Recycler" has the same meaning as defined in Section 14519.5.
- 39 (c) "Recycling center" has the same meaning as defined in 40 Section 14520.

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(d) "School district" has the same meaning as defined in Section 80 of the Education Code.

- 42616. (a) A school district, only to the extent that it does not incur costs, shall consult with the local Community Conservation Corps or another recycler to obtain information in order to establish a beverage container recycling program at each school campus and public office of that school district.
- (b) Beverage container recycling program services may be provided in a manner determined by the district, consistent with this division and Division 12.1 (commencing with Section 14500), including, but not limited to, any of the following:
- (1) Operating a beverage container recycling program by redeeming containers that are collected on its campuses.
- (2) Providing for a local Community Conservation Corps or recycler to collect the beverage containers.
- (3) Providing a beverage container collection program as a fundraising activity for the school district.
- (4) Continuing a recycling program that is in existence on January 1, 2009.
- 42617. (a) Upon the request of a school district, the board and the Department of Conservation shall provide a school district with information and supplies, including, but not necessarily limited to, any of the following:
- (1) Literature on how to start and run a school-based recycling program in order to assist in funding school programs.
- (2) Contact information for the board and the Department of Conservation.
- (3) Contact information for the nearest location of the local Community Conservation Corps and for recycling centers.
- (b) Upon the request of a school district and subject to the availability of funds, the board and the Department of Conservation may provide a school district with a sufficient number of beverage container recycling bins to meet the estimated need of the campus or office to be served.
- (c) A school district may enter into an agreement or partnership with a public agency or private sector or nonprofit entity to obtain all or part of the supplies and information necessary for participation in the program established by this article.

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(d) The proceeds from beverage container recycling may be used, at the discretion of the school district governing board, for all of the following:

- (1) Reimbursement for the initial cost of acquiring beverage container recycling bins.
- (2) For transfers to a participating school's or district's discretionary fund.
- (3) For other costs, including the cost of personnel associated with the maintenance of the beverage container recycling bins.
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 42620. This chapter shall remain in effect only until January
 1, 2012, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted
 statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2012, deletes or extends
 that date.
- SEC. 3. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.

Introduced by Senator Wiggins

February 27, 2009

An act to add Section 48009 to the Public Resources Code, relating to solid waste.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 730, as introduced, Wiggins. Solid waste: grants and loans: eligibility.

Existing law authorizes the Integrated Waste Management Board to issue grants and loans to local governments for various purposes including, among other things, expansion of recycling efforts, household hazardous waste, and local enforcement of solid waste regulations.

This bill would provide that a public entity of the state is ineligible for any grants, loans, or loan guarantees from, or any other financial incentive administered by, the board, if the entity disposes or causes the disposal of solid waste at a facility within the state that does not meet standards that are as stringent as the state standards or at a facility located outside the state.

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

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 48009 is added to the Public Resources
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 48009. (a) A public entity of the state is ineligible for any
- 4 grants, loans, or loan guarantees from, or any other financial
- 5 incentives administered by, the board if the entity disposes or
- 6 causes the disposal of solid waste at a facility that does not meet

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standards that are as stringent as the standards set forth in this
division or regulations issued pursuant to this division or at a
facility located outside of the state.

- (b) This section does not apply to a public entity that entered into a solid waste disposal contract before January 1, 2010, for the duration of the contract.
- (c) Subdivision (b) does not apply to the renewal of a solid waste disposal contract occurring on or after January 1, 2010.