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SENATE BILL 572

Short Title: Waste Reduction/State Reports.

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Referred to: State Personnel and State Government.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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2 AN ACT TO PROMOTE MARKETS FOR RECYCLABLES AND TO PROMOTE
3 WASTE REDUCTION BY THE STATE BY REQUIRING REPORTS
4 PUBLISHED BY THE STATE TO MEET CERTAIN STANDARDS AS TO
5 COMPOSITION, BY LIMITING THE DISTRIBUTION OF STATE REPORTS,
6 AND BY ENCOURAGING COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND NONPROFIT
7 CORPORATIONS THAT RECEIVE STATE FUNDS TO PREPARE REPORTS
8 ACCORDING TO THESE STANDARDS.

9 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

10 Section 1. G.S. 130A-309.14(a) reads as rewritten:

11 "(a) ~~It shall be the duty of each~~ Each State agency, including the General Assembly,
12 the General Court of Justice, and The University of North Carolina, ~~by 1 January 1992, to:~~
13 Carolina shall:

- 14 (1) Establish a program in cooperation with the Department and the
15 Department of Administration, for the collection of all recyclable
16 aluminum and wastepaper materials generated in State offices
17 throughout the State, including, at a minimum, high-grade office paper
18 and corrugated paper.

- 1 (2) Provide procedures for collecting and storing recyclable materials,
2 containers for storing materials, and contractual or other arrangements
3 with buyers of the recyclable materials.
- 4 (3) Evaluate the amount of recyclable wastepaper material recycled and
5 make all necessary modifications to the recycling program to ensure
6 that all recyclable wastepaper materials are effectively and practically
7 recycled.
- 8 (4) Establish and implement, in cooperation with the Department and the
9 Department of Administration, a solid waste reduction program for
10 materials used in the course of agency operations. The program shall
11 be designed and implemented to achieve maximum feasible reduction
12 of solid waste generated as a result of agency operations.
- 13 (5) Prepare any written report in compliance with the model report under
14 subsection (j) of this section. The State agency shall, in lieu of
15 distributing the report in mass:
- 16 a. Notify persons to whom each agency is required to report, and
17 any other persons it deems appropriate, that a report has been
18 published, its subject and title, and the locations, including State
19 libraries, at which the report is available;
- 20 b. Deliver any report to only those State libraries that each agency
21 determines is likely to receive requests for a particular report;
22 and
- 23 c. Distribute a report to only those who request the report.
24 A State library that has received a report shall distribute a report only
25 upon request. Any State agency required by law to report to an entity
26 shall be in compliance with that law by notifying that entity under sub-
27 subdivision a. of this subdivision."

28 Sec. 2. G.S. 130A-309.14 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

29 "(j) The Department of Administration shall develop a model report for reports
30 published by any State agency, the General Assembly, the General Court of Justice, or
31 The University of North Carolina. This model report shall satisfy the following:

- 32 (1) The paper in the report shall, to the extent practicable, be made from
33 recycled paper and shall be capable of being recycled.
- 34 (2) The other constituent elements of the report shall, to the extent
35 practicable, be made from recycled products and shall be capable of
36 being recycled or reused.
- 37 (3) The report shall, to the extent practicable, be printed on both sides of
38 the paper."

39 Sec. 3. Article 9 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes is amended by
40 adding a new section to read:

41 "**§ 130A-309.14A. Reports by certain State-assisted entities.**

42 Any community college, as defined in G.S. 115D-2(2), and any nonprofit
43 corporation that receives State funds are encouraged to prepare any written reports in
44 compliance with G.S. 130A-309.14(j)."

- 1 Sec. 4. G.S. 143-169 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:
2 "(c) Every publication published at State expense shall be prepared in accordance
3 with the recycling and reuse requirements set forth in G.S. 130A-309.14(j)."
4 Sec. 5. This act becomes effective January 1, 1994.