

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 657

Short Title: Recycling Steel Initiative. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Culpepper.

Referred to: Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House.

March 25, 2003

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO ENCOURAGE THE PURCHASE OF RECYCLED PRODUCTS AND
3 PRESERVE OUR STATE'S NATURAL RESOURCES BY REQUIRING STATE
4 AGENCIES PURCHASE ONLY RECYCLED STEEL IF CERTAIN
5 CONDITIONS ARE SATISFIED.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** Article 9 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes is amended
8 by adding a new Part to read:

9 "Part 6. Recycling Steel Initiative.

10 "**§ 130A-310.51. Findings.**

11 (a) G.S. 130A-291(a) provides that for the purpose of promoting and preserving
12 an environment that is conducive to public health and welfare, and preventing the
13 creation of nuisances and the depletion of our natural resources, the Department of
14 Environment and Natural Resources shall maintain a Division of Waste Management to
15 promote sanitary processing, treatment, disposal, and statewide management of solid
16 waste and the greatest possible recycling and recovery of resources.

17 (b) Requiring purchase of recycled steel if certain conditions are satisfied would
18 assist the State in achieving both its goal of encouraging the purchase of recycled
19 products and preserving our natural resources, and would be consistent with federal
20 mandates concerning the purchase of recycled steel.

21 "**§ 130A-310.52. Requirement that State agencies purchase recycled steel.**

22 A State agency purchasing steel may purchase only recycled steel if the steel can:

23 (1) Be acquired competitively within a reasonable time frame.

24 (2) Meet appropriate performance standards.

25 (3) Be acquired at a reasonable price."

26 **SECTION 2.** This act applies to purchases made on or after October 1,
27 2003.