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ASSEMBLY, No. 2283

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED DECEMBER 8, 1980

By Assemblymen DALTON, RILEY, STEWART and HERMAN

Referred to Committee on Revenue, Finance and Appropriations

A SUPPLEMENT to the "Solid Waste Management Act," approved May 6, 1970 (P. L. 1970, c. 39; C. 13:1E-1 et seq.), as said short title was amended by P. L. 1975, c. 326.

1 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 2 of New Jersey:

1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Recycling
 2 Act".

1 2. The Legislature finds that New Jersey must continue to seek solutions to its energy, environmental and economic problems; $\mathbf{2}$ that solutions to these problems require proper solid waste and 3 resource recovery management; that the generation of municipal 4 $\mathbf{5}$ solid waste is increasing while landfill capacity is decreasing; that the siting of environmentally secure landfills is an area of serious 6 7 concern and limited choice; and that the disposal of solid waste materials is wasteful of valuable resources. 8

9 The Legislature further finds that the recycling of waste materials decreases waste flow to landfill sites, recovers valuable re-10sources, conserves energy in the manufacturing process, and offers 11 a supply of domestic raw materials for the State's industries; 12that a comprehensive recycling plan and program is necessary to 1314 achieve the maximum practical recovery of reusable materials from solid waste in this State; and that such a plan will reduce 15the amount of waste to landfills, conserve energy and resources, 16and recover materials for industrial uses. 17

The Legislature, therefore, declares it to be in the energy,
environmental, and economic interest of the State of New Jersey to
implement a comprehensive Statewide recycling plan.

3. There is levied upon the owner or operator of every sanitary
 landfill facility a recycling tax of \$0.12 per cubic yard of all
 solid waste accepted for disposal at the facility. In the event that
 any solid waste is measured upon acceptance for disposal by other
 than cubic yards, the tax shall be levied on the equivalents thereof
 as shall be determined by the department.

4. The tax imposed by this supplementary act shall be governed
 in all respects by the "state tax uniform procedure law," subtitle
 9 of Title 54 of the Revised Statutes.

5. a. The State Recycling Fund (hereinafter referred to as the "fund") is established as a nonlapsing, revolving fund. The fund shall be administered jointly by the Department of Energy and the Department of Environmental Protection, and shall be credited with all tax revenue collected pursuant to this suplementary act. Interest received on moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund.

8 b. Moneys in the fund shall be used for the following purposes9 and no others:

(1) Low interest loans and a loan guarantee program for recycling businesses and industries. At least 25% of these loans shall
be allocated to businesses and industries located in urban municipalities;

b. Recycling grants for municipalities which have communityrecycling programs;

16 c. State, county, and muncipal planning and program funding,17 including technical assistance;

18 d. Public information and education programs;

e. To offset losses in State tax revenue which result from any
granting of tax credits to businesses which purchase recycling
equipment; and,

22 f. Administrative costs.

6. The Commissioners of the Departments of Energy and Environmental Protection shall adopt, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act", P. L. 1968, c. 410 (C. 52:14B-1 et seq.), such rules and regulations as are necessary to effectuate this supplementary act.

7. a. The provisions of any law to the contrary notwithstanding,
 the owner or operator of any sanitary landfill facility may collect
 the tax imposed pursuant to this supplementary act as an automatic
 surcharge on any tariff rate filed with and recorded by the Board
 of Public Utilities for the solid waste disposal operations of the
 facility.

b. The provisions of any law to the contrary notwithstanding,
the owner or operator of any solid waste collection operation may
collect any increased disposal costs resulting from the tax imposed
pursuant to this supplementary act as an automatic surcharge on
any tariff rate filed with and recorded by the Board of Public
Utilities for the collection operation.

8. Any additional expenditures for the collection or disposal of solid waste made by any county or municipality as a result of the tax imposed pursuant to this supplementary act shall, for the purposes of P. L. 1976, c. 68 (C. 40A :4-45.1 et seq.), be considered an expenditure mandated by State law.

1 9. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill establishes a Statewide recycling program which includes low interest loans to business and industry, recycling grants to local governments, and public information and education programs. This program will be managed by the Department of Energy and the Department of Environmental Protection, and funded by a tax of \$0.12 per cubic yard of all solid waste disposed of at any sanitary landfill facility in this State. This tax would raise approximately \$6,000,000.00 per year.

This bill was recommended by the State Advisory Council on Recycling.

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2283

with Assembly committee amendment

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: APRIL 27, 1981

This bill establishes a Statewide recycling program wihch includes low interest loans to business and industry, recycling grants to local governments, and public information and education programs. This program will be managed by the Department of Energy and the Department of Environmental Protection, and funded by a tax of \$0.12 per cubic yard of all solid waste disposed of at any sanitary landfill facility in this State. This tax would raise approximately \$6,000,000.00 per year.

This bill was recommended by the State Advisory Council on Recycling.

Specifically, the committee amended the bill to: (1) direct the Division of Taxation to collect the tax on solid waste disposal imposed by section 4; (2) provide that the rate of this tax decrease from 0.12to \$0.06 per cubic yard as of January 1, 1986, and that the tax terminate as of December 31, 1986; (3) require that the annual balance of the fund be allocated as follows: not less than 45% for recycling grants to municipalities, not less than 20% for low interest loans and loan guarantees for recycling businesses and industries, not less than 10% for State recycling program planning and program funding, not more than 10% for county and municipal recycling program planning and program funding, and not less than 15% for a public information and education program concerning recycling and anti-litter activities; (4) direct the Departments of Energy and Environmental Protection to propose appropriate rules and recommendations to implement this act within 90 days of its enactment; (5) direct the Board of Public Utilities to issue an appropriate order concerning the effect of the increase in solid waste disposal rates (resulting from the tax and the "pass-through" provision) upon solid waste collection rates; (6) provide that any expenditure of revenues received by municipalities for recycling programs pursuant to this act be exempt from the "caps" on local spending; (7) direct the Departments of Energy and Environmental Protection to prepare and transmit to the Governor and the Legislature, by October 1. 1984, a report concerning the implementation of this act: and (8) incorporate technical revisions recommended by the Departments of Energy, Environmental Protection, and Treasury, and by the State Advisory Council on Recycling.

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS TO ASSEMBLY, No. 2283

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ADOPTED APRIL 27, 1981

Amend page 1, section 2, after line 20, insert new section 3 as follows: "3. As used in this act:

a. 'Division' means the Division of Taxation in the Department of the Treasury;

b. 'Director' means the Director of the Division of Taxation in the Department of the Treasury;

c. 'Recycling' means any process by which materials which would otherwise become solid waste are collected, separated or processed and returned to the economic mainstream in the form of raw materials or products;

d. 'Tax period' means every calendar month or any other period as may be prescribed by rule and regulation adopted by the director, on the basis of which the owner or operator of a sanitary landfill facility is required to report to the director pursuant to this act;

e. 'Taxpayer' means the owner or operator of a sanitary landfill facility subject to the tax provisions of this act;".

Amend page 1, section 3, line 1, omit "3.", insert "4. a.".

Amend page 1, section 3, line 3, after "facility", insert "on or after January 1, 1982; except that any solid waste accepted for disposal on or after January 1, 1986 shall be taxed at the rate of \$0.06 per cubic yard".

Amend page 1, section 3, line 6, omit "department", insert "director".Amend page 1, section 3, after line 6, insert new subsections b., c.,d., e., f. and g. as follows:

"b. (1) Every owner or operator of a sanitary landfill facility shall, on or before the twentieth day of the month following the close of each tax period, render a return under oath to the director on such form as may be prescribed by the director indicating the number of cubic yards of solid waste accepted for disposal and at said time owner or operator shall pay the full amount of tax due.

(2) Every owner or operator of a sanitary landfill which accepts solid waste for disposal and which is subject to the tax under subsection a. of this section shall, within 20 days after the first acceptance of this waste, register with the director on forms prescribed by him.

c. If a return required by this act is not filed, or if a return when filed is incorrect or insufficient in the opinion of the director, the amount of tax due shall be determined by the director from such information as may be available. Notice of such determination shall be given to the taxpayer liable for the payment of the tax. Such determination shall finally and irrevocably fix the tax unless the person against whom it is assessed, within 30 days after receiving notice of such determination, shall apply to the director for a hearing, or unless the director on his own motion shall redetermine the same. After such hearing the director shall give notice of his determination to the person to whom the tax is assessed.

d. Any taxpayer who shall fail to file his return when due or to pay any tax when the same becomes due, as herein provided, shall be subject to such penalties and interest as provided in the 'State Tax Uniform Procedure Law,' Subtitle 9 of Title 54 of the Revised Statutes. If the Division of Taxation determines that the failure to comply with any provision of this section was excusable under the circumstances, it may remit such part or all of the penalty as shall be appropriate under such circumstances.

e. (1) Any person failing to file a return, failing to pay the tax, or filing or causing to be filed, or making or causing to be made, or giving or causing to be given any return, certificate, affidavit, representation, information, testimony or statement required or authorized by this act, or rules or regulations adopted hereunder which is willfully false, or failing to keep any records required by this act or rules and regulations adopted hereunder, shall, in addition to any other penalties herein or elsewhere prescribed, be guilty of a crime of the fourth degree.

(2) The certificate of the director to the effect that a tax has not been paid, that a return has not been filed, that information has not been supplied or that inaccurate information has been supplied pursuant to the provisions of this act or rules or regulations adopted hereunder shall be presumptive evidence thereof.

f. In addition to the other powers granted to the director in this section, he is hereby authorized and empowered:

(1) To delegate to any officer or employee of his division such of his powers and duties as he may deem necessary to carry out efficiently the provisions of this section, and the person or persons to whom such power has been delegated shall possess and may exercise all of said powers and perform all of the duties delegated by the director;

(2) To prescribe and distribute all necessary forms for the implementation of this section.

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g. The tax imposed by this section shall be governed in all respectsby the provisions of the 'State Tax Uniform Procedure Law,' Subtitle9 of Title 54 of the Revised Statutes, except only to the extent that aspecific provision of this section may be in conflict therewith.".

Amend page 2, section 4, lines 1-3, omit entirely.

Amend page 2, section 5, line 5, after "collected", insert "by the division"; after "to", insert "section 4 of"; correct spelling of "suplementary" to "supplementary".

Amend page 2, section 5, line 6, after "fund", insert "and sums received as repayment of principal and interest on outstanding loans made from the fund".

Amend page 2, section 5, line 8, after "be", insert "allocated and". Amend page 2, section 5, lines 10-22, omit entirely and insert:

"(1) Not less than 45% of the estimated annual balance of the fund shall be used for the annual expenses of a 5-year program of recycling grants to municipalities. The amount of these grants shall be calculated, for the purposes of the first grant to a particular municipality, on the basis of the total number of tons of materials annually recycled from residential and commercial sources within that municipality. Thereafter, subsequent grants to a municipality shall be calculated on the basis of the increase in the total number of tons of such materials from the total in the preceding year. No recycling grant to any municipality shall be used for constructing or operating any facility for the baling of waste paper or for the shearing, baling or shredding of ferrous or nonferrous materials;

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(4) Not more than 10% of the estimated annual balance of the fund shall be used for county and municipal recycling program planning and program funding, including the administrative expenses thereof: and

(5) Not less than 15% of the estimated annual balance of the fund shall be used for a public information and education program concerning recycling and anti-litter activities.".

Amend page 2, section 6, line 1, after "6.", insert "a.".

Amend page 2, section 6, line 5, after "act.", insert "These rules and regulations shall be proposed within 90 days of the effective date of this section, and thereafter adopted as provided in the 'Administrative Procedure Act.'

b. The director shall adopt, pursuant to the 'Administrative Procedure Act,' such rules and regulations as are necessary to effectuate this supplementary act.".

Amend page 2, section 7, line 3, omit "an automatic", insert "a".

Amend page 2, section 7, lines 4-5, omit "rate filed with and recorded by the Board of Public Utilities", insert "established pursuant to law".

Amend page 2, section 7, lines 7-12, omit entirely and insert:

"b. The Board of Public Utilities shall, within 60 days of the effective date of this supplementary act, issue an appropriate order increasing current tariffs established pursuant to law for solid waste collection operations by an amount equal to the total increase in the relevant solid waste disposal tariff pursuant to subsection a. of this section.".

Amend page 3, section 8, line 3, after "act", insert "and any expenditure of revenues received by a municipality pursuant to section 5 hereof".

Amend page 3, section 8, after line 5, insert new section 9 as follows:

"9. The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection shall prepare a report concerning the implementation of this act, including any recommendations for amendments hereto deemed appropriate by the departments. This report shall be transmitted to the Governor and the Legislature by October 1, 1984.".

Amend page 3, section 9, line 1, omit entirely and insert:

"10. This act shall take effect on January 1, 1982, except that section 6 hereof shall take effect immediately. Section 4 of this act shall expire on December 31, 1986.".

[OFFICIAL COPY REPRINT] ASSEMBLY, No. 2283

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED DECEMBER 8, 1980

By Assemblymen DALTON, RILEY, STEWART and HERMAN

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The Legislature, therefore, declares it to be in the energy,
environmental, and economic interest of the State of New Jersey to
implement a comprehensive Statewide recycling plan.

1 *3. As used in this act:

a. "Division" means the Division of Taxation in the Department
of the Treasury;

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law. 4 b. "Director" means the Director of the Division of Taxation 5 in the Department of the Treasury;

c. "Recycling" means any process by which materials which
would otherwise become solid waste are collected, separated or
processed and returned to the economic mainstream in the form
of raw materials or products;

d. "Tax period" means every calendar month or any other period
as may be prescribed by rule and regulation adopted by the director, on the basis of which the owner or operator of a sanitary
landfill facility is required to report to the director pursuant to
this act;

e. "Taxpayer" means the owner or operator of a sanitary landfill facility subject to the tax provisions of this act.*

[3.] *4. a.* There is levied upon the owner or operator of 1 2 every sanitary landfill facility a recycling tax of \$0.12 per cubic yard of all solid waste accepted for disposal at the facility *on or 3 after January 1, 1982; except that any solid waste accepted for 4 disposal on or after January 1, 1986 shall be taxed at the rate of $\mathbf{5}$ \$0.06 per cubic yard*. In the event that any solid waste is measured 6 upon acceptance for disposal by other than cubic yards, the tax 7 shall be levied on the equivalents thereof as shall be determined 8 by the * department]* * director*. 9

10*b. (1) Every owner or operator of a sanitary landfill facility shall, on or before the twentieth day of the month following the 11 12close of each tax period, render a return under oath to the director on such form as may be prescribed by the director indicating the 13 number of cubic yards of solid waste accepted for disposal and 14 at said time owner or operator shall pay the full amount of tax due. 15(2) Every owner or operator of a sanitary landfill which accepts 16 solid waste for disposal and which is subject to the tax under sub-17 section a. of this section shall, within 20 days after the first accept-18 ance of this waste, register with the director on forms prescribed 19 20by him.

c. If a return required by this act is not filed, or if a return when 21filed is incorrect or insufficient in the opinion of the director, the 22 23amount of tax due shall be determined by the director from such information as may be available. Notice of such determination 24shall be given to the taxpayer liable for the payment of the tax. 2526Such determination shall finally and irrevocably fix the tax unless 27the person against whom it is assessed, within 30 days after receiving notice of such determination, shall apply to the director for a 28 29 hearing, or unless the director on his own motion shall redetermine 30 the same. After such hearing the director shall give notice of his 31 determination to the person to whom the tax is assessed.

32d. Any taxpayer who shall fail to file his return when due or to 33 pay any tax when the same becomes due, as herein provided, shall 34be subject to such penalties and interest as provided in the "State 35Tax Uniform Procedure Law," Subtitle 9 of Title 54 of the Revised Statutes. If the Division of Taxation determines that the failure 36to comply with any provision of this section was excusable under 37 the circumstances, it may remit such part or all of the penalty as 38 39 shall be appropriate under such circumstances.

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(2) The certificate of the director to the effect that a tax has not been paid, that a return has not been filed, that information has not been supplied or that inaccurate information has been supplied pursuant to the provisions of this act or rules or regulations adopted hereunder shall be presumptive evidence thereof.

f. In addition to the other powers granted to the director in this
section, he is hereby authorized and empowered:

(1) To delegate to any officer or employee of his division such of his powers and duties as he may deem necessary to carry out efficiently the provisions of this section, and the person or persons to whom such power has been delegated shall possess and may exercise all of said powers and perform all of the duties delegated by the director;

62 (2) To prescribe and distribute all necessary forms for the 63 implementation of this section.

64 g. The tax imposed by this section shall be governed in all 65 respects by the provisions of the "State Tax Uniform Procedure 66 Law," Subtitle 9 of Title 54 of the Revised Statutes, except only 67 to the extent that a specific provision of this section may be in 68 conflict therewith.*

*[4. The tax imposed by this supplementary act shall be governed
in all respects by the "state tax uniform procedure law," subtitle
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5. a. The State Recycling Fund (hereinafter referred to as the
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b. The Board of Public Utilities shall, within 60 days of the effective date of this supplementary act, issue an appropriate order increasing current tariffs established pursuant to law for solid waste collection operations by an amount equal to the total increase in the relevant solid waste disposal tariff pursuant to subsection a. of this section.

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SENATE ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2283

[OFFICIAL COPY REPRINT] with Senate committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 22, 1981

The Assembly Agriculture and Environment Committee Statement to Assembly Bill No. 2283 (OCR), dated April 27, 1981, accurately explains the provisions of this bill as referred to the Senate Energy and Environment Committee.

Senate committee amendments would: (1) impose a "cap" of \$25.00 per ton on second and subsequent recycling grants to a municipality; (2) divide the 45% allocation for municipal recycling grants into three 15% "pots" for waste paper, glass, and other recycled materials, respectively; (3) require that grantee municipalities demonstrate that materials are not being diverted from an existing commercial recycling program, and that at least two types of materials are or will be recycled in the second grant year; and (4) preclude the need for the Board of Public Utilities to undertake a rate base of return analysis when issuing an order concerning the impact of the tax imposed by this bill upon solid collection rates. SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 2283

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ADOPTED JUNE 22, 1981

Amend page 4, section 5, line 31, after "year", insert ", except that no such grant shall exceed \$25.00 per ton of materials recycled. For the purpose of calculating subsequent annual grants to municipalities pursuant to this subsection, not less than 15% of the estimated annual balance of the fund shall be allocated on the basis of the total number of tons of waste paper recycled in the preceding year, not less than 15% of the estimated annual balance of the total number of tons of glass recycled in the preceding year, and not less than 15% of the estimated annual balance of the fund shall be allocated on the basis of the total number of tons of glass recycled in the preceding year, and not less than 15% of the estimated annual balance of the fund shall be allocated on the basis of the total number of tons of other materials recycled in the preceding year.

To be eligible for a grant pursuant to this subsection, a municipality shall demonstrate that the materials recycled by the municipal recycling program were not diverted from a commercial recycling program already in existence on the effective date of the ordinance establishing the municipal recycling program.

To be eligible for a subsequent annual grant pursuant to this subsection, a municipality shall demonstrate that at least two types of materials are currently recycled, or will be recycled in the succeeding grant year by the municipal recycling program".

Amend page 4, section 5, line 34, omit "shredidng", insert "shredd-ing".

Amend page 4, section 5, line 39, omit "less", insert "more".

Amend page 5, section 7, line 18, after "section.", insert "In issuing this order, the board shall be exempt from the provisions of section 31 of P. L. 1962, c. 198 (C. 48:2-21.2).".

[SENATE REPRINT] ASSEMBLY, No. 2283

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with Senate committee amendments adopted June 22, 1981

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landfill facility is required to report to the director pursuant to
this act;

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c. If a return required by this act is not filed, or if a return when
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amount of tax due shall be determined by the director from such
information as may be available. Notice of such determination
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ing notice of such determination, shall apply to the director for a
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32d. Any taxpayer who shall fail to file his return when due or to 33 pay any tax when the same becomes due, as herein provided, shall 34be subject to such penalties and interest as provided in the "State Tax Uniform Procedure Law," Subtitle 9 of Title 54 of the Revised 35Statutes. If the Division of Taxation determines that the failure 36 37to comply with any provision of this section was excusable under 38 the circumstances, it may remit such part or all of the penalty as 39shall be appropriate under such circumstances.

40 e. (1) Any person failing to file a return, failing to pay the tax, or filing or causing to be filed, or making or causing to be made. 41 42or giving or causing to be given any return, certificate, affidavit, representation, information, testimony or statement required or 43 authorized by this act, or rules or regulations adopted hereunder 44 which is willfully false, or failing to keep any records required 45by this act or rules and regulations adopted hereunder, shall, in 46 47 addition to any other penalties herein or elsewhere prescribed, be guilty of a crime of the fourth degree. 48

49 (2) The certificate of the director to the effect that a tax has not
50 been paid, that a return has not been filed, that information has
51 not been supplied or that inaccurate information has been supplied
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53 adopted hereunder shall be presumptive evidence thereof.

f. In addition to the other powers granted to the director in this
section, he is hereby authorized and empowered:

56 (1) To delegate to any officer or employee of his division such of 57 his powers and duties as he may deem necessary to carry out 58 efficiently the provisions of this section, and the person or persons 59 to whom such power has been delegated shall possess and may 60 exercise all of said powers and perform all of the duties delegated 61 by the director;

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64 g. The tax imposed by this section shall be governed in all 65 respects by the provisions of the "State Tax Uniform Procedure 66 Law," Subtitle 9 of Title 54 of the Revised Statutes, except only 67 to the extent that a specific provision of this section may be in 68 conflict therewith.*

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 in all respects by the "state tax uniform procedure law," subtitle
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1 5. a. The State Recycling Fund (hereinafter referred to as the $\mathbf{2}$ "fund") is established as a nonlapsing, revolving fund. The fund shall be administered jointly by the Department of Energy and the 3 Department of Environmental Protection, and shall be credited 4 with all tax revenue collected *by the division* pursuant to *sec- $\mathbf{5}$ tion 4 of* this *[suplementary]* *supplementary* act. Interest $\mathbf{6}$ $\overline{7}$ received on moneys in the fund *and sums received as repayment 7A of principal and interest on outstanding loans made from the fund* 7B shall be credited to the fund.

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granting of tax credits to businesses which purchase recycling
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tons of glass recycled in the preceding year, and not less than 15%
of the estimated annual balance of the fund shall be allocated on
the basis of the total number of tons of other materials recycled in
the preceding year.

43 To be eligible for a grant pursuant to this subsection, a munici-44 pality shall demonstrate that the materials recycled by the munici-45 pal recycling program were not diverted from a commercial 46 recycling program already in existence on the effective date of the 47 ordinance establishing the municipal recycling program.

To be eligible for a subsequent annual grant pursuant to this sub-48 section, a municipality shall demonstrate that at least two types of 49 materials are currently recycled, or will be recycled in the succeed-50 ing grant year by the municipal recycling program**. No recycling 51grant to any municipality shall be used for constructing or operat-52ing any facility for the baling of waste paper or for the shearing, 53baling or ****[**shredidng]**** ****shredding****** of ferrous or nonferrous 54materials; 55

56 (2) Not less than 20% of the estimated annual balance of the 57 fund shall be used to provide low interest loans and to establish a 58 sufficient reserve for a loan guarantee program for recycling busi-59 nesses and industries;

(3) Not ** [less] ** ** more** than 10% of the estimated annual
balance of the fund shall be used for State recycling program
planning and program funding, including the administrative expenses thereof;

64 (4) Not more than 10% of the estimated annual balance of the
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66 planning and program funding, including the administrative ex67 penses thereof; and

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69 fund shall be used for a public information and education program
70 concerning recycling and anti-litter activities.*

6. *a.* The Commissioners of the Departments of Energy and Environmental Protection shall adopt, pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act", P. L. 1968, c. 410 (C. 52:14B-1 et seq.), such rules and regulations as are necessary to effectuate this supplementary act. *These rules and regulations shall be proposed within 90 days of the effective date of this section, and thereafter adopted as provided in the "Administrative Procedure Act."

b. The director shall adopt, pursuant to the "Administrative
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10 effectuate this supplementary act.*

 7. a. The provisions of any law to the contrary notwithstanding,
 the owner or operator of any sanitary landfill facility may collect
 the tax imposed pursuant to this supplementary act as *[an automatic]* *a* surcharge on any tariff *[rate filed with and recorded
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 for the solid waste disposal operations of the facility.

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the owner or operator of any solid waste collection operation may
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8. Any additional expenditures for the collection or disposal of solid waste made by any county or municipality as a result of the tax imposed pursuant to this supplementary act *and any expenditure of revenues received by a municipality pursuant to section 5 hereof* shall, for the purposes of P. L. 1976, c. 68 (C. 40A:4-45.1 et seq.), be considered an expenditure mandated by State law.

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[SECOND OFFICIAL COPY REPRINT] ASSEMBLY, No. 2283

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED DECEMBER 8, 1980

By Assemblymen DALTON, RILEY, STEWART and HERMAN

Referred to Committee on Revenue, Finance and Appropriations

A SUPPLEMENT to the "Solid Waste Management Act," approved May 6, 1970 (P. L. 1970, c. 39; C. 13:1E-1 et seq.), as said short title was amended by P. L. 1975, c. 326.

1 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 2 of New Jersey:

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 2 Act".

2. The Legislature finds that New Jersey must continue to seek solutions to its energy, environmental and economic problems; that solutions to these problems require proper solid waste and resource recovery management; that the generation of municipal solid waste is increasing while landfill capacity is decreasing; that the siting of environmentally secure landfills is an area of serious concern and limited choice; and that the disposal of solid waste materials is wasteful of valuable resources.

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The Legislature, therefore, declares it to be in the energy,
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b. The director shall adopt, pursuant to the "Administrative
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7. a. The provisions of any law to the contrary notwithstanding,
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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

FOR INMEDIATE RELEASE SEPTEMBER 9, 1981

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KATHRYN FORSYTH

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Governor Brendan Byrne today signed into law <u>A-2283</u>, sponsored by Assemblyman Daniel J. Dalton (D-Gloucester), establishing a State recycling fund of approximately \$6 million.

Byrne signed the bill in a public ceremony held at Glassboro State College.

The fund, designed to encourage the recycling of garbage, will be jointly administered by the Departments of Environmental Protection and Energy. Its annual revenues will be derived from taxes on the owners or operators of sanitary landfill facilities.

The money will be appropriated in the following way:

- 45-percent or more in recycling grants to municipalities;
- 9 20-percent or more in low interest loans to recycling businesses;
- 9 15-percent or more for public information and education programs;
- 10-percent or less for administrative planning and funding of the
 State program; and

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 owners and operators will be taxed at a rate of 12 cents for each cubic yard of solid
 waste entering a facility for disposal. After January 1, 1986, the tax rate would

drop to 6 cents per cubic yard.

Landfill operators or owners will be permitted to pass the added costs on to their customers. The bill is effective January 1, 1982, and within 60 days of that date, the Board of Public Utilities will be required to grant rate increases for landfill perators equal to the amount of tax levied on them by the State.

One-third of the state's landfill customers are out-of-state companies and sidents, one-third are in-state businesses, and the others are home-owners and nicipalities.

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