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*Encouraging state and local governmental entities to increase the usage of recycling receptacles at public places and governmental facilities.*

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Referred to Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, the importance of recycling is becoming of greater concern to the general public and its impact on the economy better understood; and

WHEREAS, recycling has become a major issue as scientific research has been suggesting for years that the earth's resources are being depleted too fast to sustain a healthy balance; and

WHEREAS, recycling is incredibly important as a means to reduce poisonous emissions into the atmosphere and also to spare our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, a major part of reducing the adverse affects of consumption is to emphasize the importance of recycling much of what we use, instead of turning it into unusable waste; and

WHEREAS, today many companies and individuals are improving their recycling habits by coming up with ways to reduce what they use and also to reuse as much of the original materials as possible; and

WHEREAS, it is important for governmental entities to take a stronger role in encouraging and advocating recycling on behalf of the public; and

WHEREAS, a significant way to encourage recycling efforts is to make more trash recycling receptacles available at public places where major events are held and at governmental facilities; and

WHEREAS, by making available more recycling receptacles, opportunities for recycling are increased; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That state and local governmental entities be encouraged to increase the usage of recycling receptacles at public places and governmental facilities; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a copy of this resolution to the Governor, requesting that he further disseminate copies of this resolution to all state and local public bodies and governmental entities so that they may be apprised of the sense of the General Assembly of Virginia in this matter.

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