VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY -- 1994 SESSION

CHAPTER 553

An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 11-47.01, relating to establishment of a state purchase program for recycled goods.

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Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 11-47.01 as follows:

§ 11-47.01. Purchase programs for recycled goods; agency responsibilities.

A. State agencies which are members of the Virginia Recycling Markets Development Council and all other state agencies shall implement a purchase program for recycled goods. State agencies shall coordinate their efforts so as to achieve the goals and objectives established in subsection C of this section as well as those set forth in §§ 10.1-1425.6, 10.1-1425.7, 10.1-1425.8, 11-41.01, 11-47, and 11-47.2.

B. The Department of Environmental Quality, with advice from the Virginia Recycling Markets Development Council, shall advise the Department of General Services concerning the designation of recycled goods. In cooperation with the Department of General Services, the Department of Environmental Quality shall increase the awareness of state agencies as to the benefits of using such products.

C. The Department of General Services shall:

1. Ensure that the Commonwealth's procurement guidelines for state agencies promote the use of recycled goods.

2. Promote the Commonwealth's interest in the use of recycled products to vendors.

3. Make agencies aware of the availability of recycled goods, including those which use post-consumer and other recovered materials processed by Virginia-based companies.

D. All state agencies shall, to the greatest extent possible, adhere to the procurement program guidelines for recycled products to be established by the Department of General Services.