

2 **2SSB 5842** - H COMM AMD

3 By Committee on Agriculture & Ecology

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5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
6 following:

7 "**Sec. 1.** RCW 70.93.010 and 1992 c 175 s 1 are each amended to read  
8 as follows:

9 (1) The legislature finds:

10 (a) Washington state is experiencing rapid population growth and  
11 its citizens are increasingly mobile;

12 (b) There is a fundamental need for a healthful, clean, and  
13 beautiful environment;

14 (c) The proliferation and accumulation of litter discarded  
15 throughout this state impairs this need and constitutes a public health  
16 hazard;

17 (d) There is a need to conserve energy and natural resources, and  
18 the effective litter control and recovery and recycling of litter  
19 materials will serve to accomplish such conservation; and

20 (e) In addition to effective litter control, there must be  
21 effective programs to accomplish waste reduction, the state's highest  
22 waste management priority(~~(/and~~

23 ~~(f) There must also be effective systems to accomplish all~~  
24 ~~components of recycling, including collection, processing, and the~~  
25 ~~marketing of recyclable materials and recycled content products)).~~

26 (2) Recognizing the multifaceted nature of the state's solid waste  
27 management problems, the legislation enacted in 1971 and entitled the  
28 "Model Litter Control and Recycling Act" is hereby renamed the "waste  
29 reduction, recycling, and model litter control act."

30 **Sec. 2.** RCW 70.93.020 and 1992 c 175 s 2 are each amended to read  
31 as follows:

32 The purpose of this chapter is to accomplish litter control,  
33 increase waste reduction, and stimulate all components of recycling  
34 throughout this state by delegating to the department of ecology the  
35 authority to:

- 1 (1) Conduct a permanent and continuous program to control and  
2 remove litter from this state to the maximum practical extent possible;  
3 (2) Recover and recycle waste materials related to litter and  
4 littering;  
5 (3) Foster public and private recycling of recyclable materials;  
6 and  
7 (4) Increase public awareness of the need for waste reduction,  
8 recycling, and litter control.

9 ~~((It is further the intent and purpose of this chapter to promote  
10 markets for recyclable materials through programs of the clean  
11 Washington center and other means.))~~

12 It is further the intent and purpose of this chapter to create jobs  
13 for employment of youth in litter cleanup and related activities and to  
14 stimulate and encourage small, private recycling centers. This program  
15 shall include the compatible goal of recovery of recyclable materials  
16 to conserve energy and natural resources wherever practicable. Every  
17 other department of state government and all local governmental units  
18 and agencies of this state shall cooperate with the department of  
19 ecology in the administration and enforcement of this chapter. The  
20 intent of this chapter is to add to and to coordinate existing  
21 recycling and litter control and removal efforts and not terminate or  
22 supplant such efforts.

23 **Sec. 3.** RCW 70.93.180 and 1992 c 175 s 8 are each amended to read  
24 as follows:

25 (1) There is hereby created an account within the state treasury to  
26 be known as the "waste reduction, recycling, and litter control  
27 account". Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation.  
28 After June 30, 1997, expenditures from the waste reduction, recycling,  
29 and litter control account shall be used as follows:

30 (a) ~~((From July 1, 1992, to June 30, 1993, funds shall be used for  
31 programs to: Control litter; encourage recycling; develop markets for  
32 recyclable materials; and enforce compliance with the litter tax  
33 imposed in RCW 82.19.010.~~

34 ~~(b) After June 30, 1993, funds shall be used as follows:~~

35 ~~(i) Not less than forty percent nor more than)) Fifty percent for  
36 a litter patrol program to employ youth from the state to remove litter  
37 from places and areas that are most visible to the public ((and to  
38 enforce compliance with the litter tax imposed in RCW 82.19.010)). The~~

1 department may enter into an interagency agreement with the department  
2 of corrections to provide for litter removal in areas that are not  
3 accessible to the youth crew;

4 (b) Twenty percent for grants to local governments for litter  
5 cleanup under RCW 70.93.250; ((and

6 (ii) Not more than sixty)) (c) Thirty percent for the following  
7 purposes:

8 (i) Public education and awareness programs to reduce waste,  
9 increase recycling, and to control litter; ((programs to promote public  
10 education and awareness of the model litter control and recycling act;  
11 programs to foster private local recycling efforts, encourage  
12 recycling, and develop markets for recyclable materials; and))

13 (ii) Programs to foster local waste reduction and recycling  
14 efforts; and

15 (iii) To increase compliance with the litter tax imposed in RCW  
16 82.19.010.

17 (2) All taxes imposed in RCW 82.19.010 and fines and bail  
18 forfeitures collected or received pursuant to this chapter shall be  
19 deposited in the waste reduction, recycling, and litter control account  
20 and used for the programs under subsection (1) of this section(~~(, and~~  
21 ~~except as required to be otherwise distributed under RCW 70.93.070)).~~

22 **Sec. 4.** RCW 82.19.010 and 1992 c 175 s 3 are each amended to read  
23 as follows:

24 In addition to any other taxes, there is hereby levied and there  
25 shall be collected by the department of revenue from every person for  
26 the privilege of engaging within this state in business as a  
27 manufacturer, as a wholesaler, or as a retailer, ~~((an annual))~~ a  
28 quarterly litter tax equal to the value of products listed in RCW  
29 82.19.020, including byproducts, manufactured within this state,  
30 multiplied by fifteen one-thousandths of one percent in the case of  
31 manufacturers, and equal to the gross proceeds of sales of the products  
32 listed in RCW 82.19.020 that are sold within this state multiplied by  
33 fifteen one-thousandths of one percent in the case of wholesalers and  
34 retailers.

35 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** (1) The department shall convene a task  
36 force to review and make recommendations on the implementation of the  
37 waste reduction, recycling, and model litter control act. The task

1 force shall consist of four legislators, one from each caucus; one  
2 person each to represent the departments of ecology, transportation,  
3 and corrections; two persons each to represent cities and counties; one  
4 person to represent private recyclers; and one person each to represent  
5 four different industry groups paying the tax imposed under RCW  
6 82.19.010. Members of the house of representatives shall be appointed  
7 by the speaker of the house of representatives and members of the  
8 senate shall be appointed by the president of the senate. Agency  
9 representatives shall be appointed by the appropriate agency director.  
10 All other appointments shall be made by the director of the department  
11 of ecology. The task force shall submit a report to the appropriate  
12 committees of the house of representatives and senate by December 1,  
13 1997. The report shall contain specific recommendations on: (a) The  
14 appropriate funding levels for activities funded under RCW 70.93.180;  
15 (b) coordinating or consolidating state, local, and volunteer litter  
16 pickup programs; and (c) litter tax compliance and equity issues.

17 (2) This section expires June 30, 1998.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** Section 4 of this act takes effect January  
19 1, 1998."

20 Correct the title.

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