

HB 2613 - H AMD 1083

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that cleaning
4 products are necessary for creating and maintaining sanitary conditions
5 in state facilities and workplaces. However, chemicals contained in
6 cleaning products can be released to the environment during normal use
7 by evaporation of volatile components or by leaving residue on cleaned
8 surfaces. Choosing less hazardous cleaning products for use in our
9 workplaces and our facilities and taking steps to reduce exposure can
10 minimize harmful impacts to office and custodial workers, improve
11 indoor air quality, and reduce water and ambient air pollution.
12 Purchasing and appropriate use of products that perform well and that
13 have positive environmental attributes such as biodegradability, low
14 toxicity, low volatile organic compound content, reduced packaging, and
15 low life cycle energy use can reduce the environmental impact of
16 routine cleaning activities while also ensuring cleaning effectiveness.
17 Therefore, the legislature finds that the adoption of practices to
18 select, procure, and use environmentally preferred products will
19 benefit the environment and the health and safety of workers and
20 visitors to state facilities.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) All state agencies that purchase
22 cleaning products or services must ensure that cleaning products have
23 properties that minimize potential impacts to human health and the
24 environment consistent with maintenance of the effectiveness of these
25 products for the protection of public health and safety. For purposes
26 of this chapter, "state agency" means any office, department, division,
27 bureau, board, commission, or other agency of the state of Washington
28 or of any subdivision thereof.

1 (2) The department of general administration, in consultation with
2 the department of health and the department of ecology, shall recognize
3 environmentally preferred products' accrediting information from
4 multiple sources including, but not limited to, the United States
5 environmental protection agency design for the environment program and
6 greenseal, and provide consultation and guidance to state agencies to:

7 (a) Select and procure products and use practices that reduce or
8 minimize the risks of harmful effects to employees, custodial workers,
9 visitors, and other building occupants and to the environment;

10 (b) Promote adoption of practices endorsed by this chapter;

11 (c) Recognize state agencies that adopt and implement
12 environmentally beneficial facility and workplace management policies
13 and practices;

14 (d) Encourage contractors supplying goods and services to state
15 agencies to select and procure such products; and

16 (e) Encourage lessors and building managers who provide leased
17 space to state agencies to select and procure such products.

18 (3) The department of general administration, upon renewal of a
19 lease and for all new leases, must require lessors and building
20 managers who provide leased space to state agencies to use
21 environmentally preferred products and practices.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** (1) When procuring cleaning products, state
23 agencies shall purchase environmentally preferred products or document
24 the reasons for selecting nonpreferred products. The products must
25 conform to guidance for environmentally preferred purchasing of
26 cleaning products that may be provided under section 2 of this act, or
27 must be products that have been identified by the department of general
28 administration as compliant with this chapter.

29 (2) The use of nonpreferred products must be in accordance with
30 responsible cleaning procedure requirements, including:

31 (a) Controlled and efficient use;

32 (b) Proper dilution, mixing, and handling;

33 (c) Following label instructions;

34 (d) Monitoring of chemical quantities used; and

35 (e) Compliance with chemical hazard communication and personal
36 protective equipment use requirements under chapter 296-800 WAC.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** Local governments and school districts are
2 encouraged to review their purchasing and use of cleaning products and
3 select those having properties that minimize potential impacts to human
4 health and the environment consistent with section 2 of this act. The
5 department of general administration shall encourage local governments
6 and school districts that are members of the department of general
7 administration's state purchasing cooperative to achieve the goals of
8 this chapter.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** State agencies shall transition to cleaning
10 products having properties that minimize potential impacts to human
11 health and the environment within six months of the effective date of
12 this section in a manner that avoids waste of existing inventories,
13 accommodates establishment of supply chains for new products, enables
14 the training of personnel in appropriate work practices, and allows the
15 phase out of products and practices inconsistent with this chapter.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** Nothing in this chapter prohibits the use of
17 disinfectants, disinfecting cleaners, sanitizers, or any other
18 antimicrobial product regulated by the federal insecticide, fungicide,
19 and rodenticide act (7 U.S.C. Sec. 136 et seq.), provided that the use
20 of these products is in accordance with responsible cleaning procedure
21 requirements.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** Sections 1 through 6 of this act constitute
23 a new chapter in Title 70 RCW."

24 Correct the title.

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