

SB 5543-S.E - DIGEST

(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Requires all mercury-containing lights collected in the state by product stewardship programs or other collection programs to be recycled.

Requires all persons, residents, government, commercial, industrial, and retail facilities and office buildings to recycle their end-of-life mercury-containing lights.

Requires producers of mercury-containing lights sold in or into the state for residential use to fully finance and participate in a product stewardship program and to pay annual fees to the department of ecology for enforcement and administration costs.

Requires product producers to play a significant role in financing no-cost collection and processing programs for mercury-containing lights.

Prohibits the sale or purchase and delivery of bulk mercury.

Prohibits the use of state or federal prison labor for processing unwanted products.

Requires the department of ecology to publish certain information on its web site regarding product stewardship programs.

Creates the product stewardship programs account.

Prescribes penalties.