

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 65—ASSEMBLYMEN PIERCE, LESLIE, PARKS,
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JOINT SPONSOR: SENATOR TITUS

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources,
Agriculture, and Mining

SUMMARY—Requires State Environmental Commission to adopt
regulations prohibiting disposal of electronic waste
in landfills and establishing program for recycling of
such waste. (BDR 40-489)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly
Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City
Jail or Detention Facility.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets **[omitted material]** is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to programs for recycling; requiring the State
Environmental Commission to adopt regulations
prohibiting the disposal of electronic waste at a municipal
solid waste landfill or other disposal site; requiring the
Commission to adopt regulations establishing a program
for the recycling of such waste; providing a penalty; and
providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

- 1 Existing law requires the State Environmental Commission to adopt regulations
- 2 that establish standards for the recycling or disposal of solid waste. (NRS
- 3 444A.020, 444A.080) Under existing law, any violation of a regulation adopted by
- 4 the Commission is a misdemeanor. (NRS 444.610)
- 5 This bill requires the State Environmental Commission to adopt regulations that
- 6 prohibit the disposal of electronic waste at solid waste landfills and other disposal



7 sites. The Commission must also establish a recycling program for the collection
8 and disposal of electronic waste. Electronic waste includes cathode ray tubes and
9 similar video devices, such as television sets and computer monitors. Because of
10 the general penalty provision in NRS 444.610, a violation of these regulations is a
11 misdemeanor.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 444A of NRS is hereby amended by
2 adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *1. The State Environmental Commission shall, to the extent*
4 *consistent with federal law, adopt regulations:*

5 *(a) Prohibiting the disposal at a municipal solid waste landfill*
6 *or other disposal site of electronic waste; and*

7 *(b) Establishing a recycling program for the collection and*
8 *disposal of such waste.*

9 *2. To carry out the provisions of this section, the State*
10 *Environmental Commission may, by regulation:*

11 *(a) Establish a program for the certification of facilities for the*
12 *collection and recycling of electronic waste;*

13 *(b) In any county whose population is 100,000 or more,*
14 *establish a program of regular collection days or drop-off days for*
15 *the collection of electronic waste; and*

16 *(c) In any county whose population is less than 100,000,*
17 *establish a program for the collection of electronic waste.*

18 *3. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise*
19 *requires:*

20 *(a) "Disposal site" has the meaning ascribed to it in*
21 *NRS 444.460.*

22 *(b) "Electronic waste" includes, without limitation, a cathode*
23 *ray tube, cathode ray tube device, flat panel screen or other*
24 *similar video display device.*

25 *(c) "Municipal solid waste landfill" has the meaning ascribed*
26 *to it in NRS 444.465.*

27 **Sec. 2.** NRS 444A.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

28 444A.010 As used in NRS 444A.010 to 444A.080, inclusive,
29 *and section 1 of this act*, unless the context otherwise requires, the
30 words and terms ~~described~~ *defined* in NRS 444A.011 to
31 444A.017, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those
32 sections.

33 **Sec. 3.** NRS 444A.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

34 444A.080 1. The State Environmental Commission shall
35 adopt regulations necessary to enforce the provisions of NRS
36 444A.010 to 444A.070, inclusive ~~1~~, *and section 1 of this act.*



2. The State Environmental Commission may adopt any other regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of NRS 444A.010 to 444A.070, inclusive ~~H~~, *and section 1 of this act.*

Sec. 4. 1. The regulations required to be adopted pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of section 1 of this act must:

(a) In any county whose population is 100,000 or more, become effective not later than December 31, 2005.

(b) In any county whose population is less than 100,000, become effective not later than December 31, 2006.

2. The regulations required to be adopted pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of section 1 of this act must become effective not later than December 31, 2006.

3. The State Environmental Commission shall timely take all actions necessary to ensure compliance with the requirements of this section.

Sec. 5. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.



