

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 487—COMMITTEE ON NATURAL
RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND MINING

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION’S
COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE DEPOSITS AND
REFUNDS ON RECYCLED PRODUCTS)

MARCH 25, 2013

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources,
Agriculture, and Mining

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to recycling.
(BDR 40-120)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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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 recycling; increasing the goal for the amount of total solid waste generated within a municipality to be recycled; requiring each board of county commissioners to report to the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature concerning its efforts and progress in establishing programs of single-stream recycling; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law requires the State Environmental Commission to adopt regulations to establish minimum standards for recycling with the goal of recycling at least 25 percent of the total solid waste generated within a municipality. (NRS 444A.020) **Section 1** of this bill increases that goal to at least 40 percent of the total solid waste generated within a municipality.

Section 2 of this bill requires the board of county commissioners of each county to submit a report by November 1, 2014, for transmittal to the Nevada Legislature in 2015 concerning the efforts and progress made by the county to establish programs of single-stream recycling.



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

Section 1. NRS 444A.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

444A.020 1. The State Environmental Commission shall adopt regulations establishing minimum standards for:

(a) Separating at the source recyclable material from other solid waste originating from residential premises and public buildings where services for the collection of solid waste are provided, including, without limitation, the placement of recycling containers on the premises of apartment complexes and condominiums where those services are provided.

(b) Establishing recycling centers for the collection and disposal of recyclable material.

(c) The disposal of hazardous household products which are capable of causing harmful physical effects if inhaled, absorbed or ingested.

2. The regulations adopted pursuant to subsection 1 must be adopted with the goal of recycling at least ~~125~~ 40 percent of the total solid waste generated within a municipality after the second full year following the adoption of such standards.

3. The State Environmental Commission shall, by regulation, establish acceptable methods for disposing of used or waste tires consistent with the provisions of NRS 444.505, 444.507 and 444.509.

Sec. 2. 1. The board of county commissioners of each county in this State shall submit a report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau on or before November 1, 2014, for transmittal to the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature. The report must detail the efforts and progress made by the county to establish programs of single-stream recycling.

2. As used in this section, "single-stream recycling" means a system of recycling in which all recyclable material is commingled and collected in one container and separated for recycling at a later time.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2013.

