

By Senator Bronson

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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to solid and hazardous waste management; directing the Department of Environmental Protection to provide trust fund moneys to the Southern Waste Information Exchange, Inc., to assist small businesses in reducing waste; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. The Legislature recognizes the need for statewide solid and hazardous waste management assistance to Florida's private businesses and industries. In order to assure that solid and hazardous waste management assistance is provided to Florida's private sector on a continuing basis and that Florida's mandatory waste reduction and recycling goals stated in section 403.706(2)(b) and (4), Florida Statutes, are reached and maintained, the Department of Environmental Protection shall make available to the Southern Waste Information Exchange, Inc., a nonprofit Florida 501(c)(3) organization, \$300,000 annually from the Solid Waste Management Trust Fund. These funds shall be used by Southern Waste Information Exchange, Inc., to assist small businesses in complying with solid and hazardous waste management requirements, maintaining and expanding a waste exchange service, providing technical assistance on waste reduction and minimization methods, and helping Florida businesses reduce their waste management costs.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

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SENATE SUMMARY

Requires the Department of Environmental Protection to provide annual trust fund moneys to the Southern Waste Information Exchange, Inc., for the purpose of reducing solid and hazardous waste from small businesses.