

By Representative Eggelletion

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to solid and hazardous waste;  
3           providing annual funding from the Solid Waste  
4           Management Trust Fund to assist private  
5           businesses in complying with waste management  
6           requirements and attaining waste reduction and  
7           recycling goals; providing an effective date.

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

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11           Section 1. The Legislature recognizes the need for  
12 statewide solid and hazardous waste management assistance to  
13 Florida's private businesses and industries. In order to  
14 ensure that solid and hazardous waste management assistance is  
15 provided to Florida's private sector on a continuing basis and  
16 that Florida's mandatory waste reduction and recycling goals  
17 stated in s. 403.706(2)(b) and (4), Florida Statutes, are  
18 reached and maintained, the Department of Environmental  
19 Protection shall make available to the Southern Waste  
20 Information Exchange, Inc. (SWIX), a Florida nonprofit  
21 corporation that is tax exempt under s. 501(c)(3) of the  
22 United States Internal Revenue Code, on an annual basis,  
23 \$300,000 from the Solid Waste Management Trust Fund. These  
24 funds shall be used by SWIX to assist small businesses and  
25 industries in complying with solid and hazardous waste  
26 management requirements, to maintain and expand a waste  
27 exchange service, to provide technical assistance on waste  
28 reduction and minimization methods, and to help Florida  
29 businesses and industries in reducing their waste management  
30 costs.

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

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HOUSE SUMMARY

Requires the Department of Environmental Protection to make \$300,000 annually available from the Solid Waste Management Trust Fund to the Solid Waste Information Exchange, Inc. (SWIX), to be used to assist private businesses and industries in complying with solid and hazardous waste management requirements and attaining mandatory waste reduction and recycling goals.