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The Committee on Transportation (Sebesta) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment

On page 3, line 23, through
page 5, line 25 delete those lines

and insert: capsule, commonly known as a "bullet," and the convenience light switch assembly on a vehicle of which it is part.

(f) "Person" means an individual, corporation, company, firm, partnership, association, trust, joint-stock company or trust, venture, or municipal, state, or federal government or agency, or any other legal entity, however organized.

(g) "Scrap recycling facility" means a person who is engaged in a business that uses machinery and equipment to process and manufacture scrap metal into prepared grades and that principally produces scrap iron, scrap steel, or nonferrous metallic scrap for sale for remelting purposes.

(h) "Vehicle" means a passenger automobile or

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1 passenger car, station wagon, truck, van, or sport utility
2 vehicle having a gross vehicle weight rating of less than
3 12,000 pounds.

4 (i) "Vehicle recycler" means a person engaged in the
5 business of acquiring, dismantling, or destroying six or more
6 end-of-life vehicles in a calendar year.

7 (3) By October 1, 2006, each manufacturer shall,
8 individually or as part of a group of manufacturers, submit a
9 mercury minimization plan to the department for review and
10 approval. The plan must be developed in consultation with the
11 department and must, at minimum, include:

12 (a) For each vehicle that contains one or more mercury
13 switches and that was produced, is in production, or is
14 planned for production, a description of:

15 1. The make, model, and year of the vehicle.

16 2. Each mercury switch in the vehicle, including, but
17 not limited to, the location of the switch. If a manufacturer
18 is uncertain whether a convenience light switch assembly in a
19 vehicle that such manufacturer is producing, or plans to
20 produce, contains a mercury switch, such switch is presumed to
21 be a mercury switch.

22 3. A system to mark the vehicle to indicate the
23 presence or absence of each mercury switch to a vehicle
24 recycler or scrap recycling facility that may process the
25 vehicle for shredding or crushing.

26 (b) A description of the safe and environmentally
27 sound methods for removing mercury switches from end-of-life
28 vehicles.

29 (c) Educational materials to assist a vehicle recycler
30 or scrap recycling facility in undertaking a safe and
31 environmentally sound method for the removal of mercury

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1 switches from end-of-life vehicles, including, but not limited
2 to, information concerning the hazards and proper handling of
3 mercury.

4 (d) A recommended method for storing and shipping
5 mercury switches that are removed from end-of-life vehicles,
6 including, but not limited to, a method of packaging and
7 shipping the switches to a facility that is authorized to
8 recycle, store, or dispose of them in an environmentally
9 appropriate manner.

10 (e) A recommended method for storing the mercury
11 switches that are removed from end-of-life vehicles if a
12 technology to manage the switches in an environmentally
13 appropriate manner is unavailable.

14 (f) Provisions to ensure that existing infrastructure
15 to recycle end-of-life vehicles is used to the extent
16 practicable. A plan that does not use such existing
17 infrastructure must state reasons for establishing a separate
18 infrastructure.

19 (g) A recommended method of implementing the plan,
20 including appropriate identification of vehicles from which
21 mercury switches are removed.

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