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CHAMBER ACTION

<u>Senate</u>	.	<u>House</u>
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1 The Committee on Environmental Preservation and Conservation
 2 (Saunders) recommended the following **amendment to amendment**
 3 **(866008)** :

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

6 Between lines 1967 and 1968,
7 insert:

8 Section 30. Recycling.--

9 (1) The Legislature finds that the failure or inability to
 10 economically recover material and energy resources from solid
 11 waste results in the unnecessary waste and depletion of natural
 12 resources. Therefore, the maximum recycling and reuse of such
 13 resources must be considered high-priority goals of this state.

14 (2) The long-term goal for the reduction of solid waste by
 15 recycling efforts undertaken by state government entities shall

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16 be a reduction by 2020 of 75 percent of the amount of solid
17 waste that was disposed of by state government in 2007, not
18 including any recycling efforts undertaken during that year. The
19 Department of Environmental Protection shall, by 2010, develop a
20 recycling program, in conjunction with the state judicial and
21 legislative branches of government, which is designed to meet
22 that goal.

23 (3) The-long term goal for the reduction of solid waste by
24 recycling efforts undertaken by municipal and county governments
25 shall be a reduction by 2020 of 75 percent the amount of solid
26 waste that was disposed of in 2007, not including any recycling
27 efforts undertaken during that year. Each county shall provide
28 to the department by 2010 a recycling program for that county,
29 including any municipalities, which is designed to meet that
30 goal.

31 (4) A recycling grant program is established to aid local
32 communities in establishing, operating, or providing public
33 awareness for recycling efforts. The following factors shall be
34 considered, among others, when selecting recipients for the
35 recycling program grants:

36 (a) The benefits to energy conservation and the
37 environment;

38 (b) The availability of capacity at existing solid waste
39 facilities; and

40 (c) The level of commitment of local officials and the
41 level of volunteer and private-sector interest in the program.
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43 To be eligible to receive a grant, a local community must commit
 44 to a 50-percent local match to the amount awarded by the state.
 45 The local recycling project must also be planned or underway,
 46 and any education project must directly promote the use of that
 47 project. Counties and municipalities are encouraged to form
 48 interlocal agreements to pursue such recycling programs when
 49 applying for grants.

50 (5) The implementation of the grant program is contingent
 51 on the availability of appropriated funds.

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53 (Renumber subsequent sections.)

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56 And the title is amended as follows:

57 On line 2123, after the semicolon,
 58 insert:

59 providing goals and guidelines for the reduction of solid
 60 waste by state and local governments through recycling
 61 efforts; providing legislative findings; establishing a
 62 recycling grant program; providing purposes for the
 63 program; requiring that certain factors be considered when
 64 selecting recipients of grants; providing requirements for
 65 eligibility for grants; providing that implementation of
 66 the program is contingent on the availability of
 67 appropriated funds;