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Senate

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Senator Constantine moved the following **amendment**:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between line(s) 4497 and 4498,
insert:

Section 86. Recycling.--

(1) The Legislature finds that the failure or inability to economically recover material and energy resources from solid waste results in the unnecessary waste and depletion of our natural resources. As Florida continues to grow, so will the potential amount of discarded material that must be treated and disposed of, necessitating the improvement of solid waste collection and disposal. Therefore, the maximum recycling and reuse of such resources are considered high-priority goals of this state.



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17 (2) By the year 2020, the long-term goal for the recycling
18 efforts of state and local governmental entities, private
19 companies and organizations, and the general public is to reduce
20 the amount of solid waste disposed of in waste management
21 facilities, landfills, or incineration facilities by a statewide
22 average of at least 75 percent.

23 (3) The Department of Environmental Preservation shall
24 develop a comprehensive recycling program that is designed to
25 achieve the percentage stated in subsection (2) and submit such
26 program to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the
27 House of Representatives by January 1, 2010. The program may not
28 be implemented until approved by the Legislature. The program
29 must be developed in coordination with input from state and local
30 entities, private businesses, and the public. Under the program,
31 recyclable materials shall include, but are not limited to,
32 metals, paper, glass, plastic, textile, rubber materials, and
33 mulch. Components of the program shall include, but are not
34 limited to:

35 (a) Programs to identify environmentally preferable
36 purchasing practices to encourage the purchase of recycled,
37 durable, and less toxic goods;

38 (b) Programs to educate students in grades K-12 in the
39 benefits of, and proper techniques for, recycling;

40 (c) Programs for statewide recognition of successful
41 recycling efforts by schools, businesses, public groups, and
42 private citizens;

43 (d) Programs for municipalities and counties to develop and
44 implement efficient recycling efforts to return valuable
45 materials to productive use, conserve energy, and protect natural
46 resources;



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47 (e) Programs by which the department can provide technical
48 assistance to municipalities and counties in support of their
49 recycling efforts;

50 (f) Programs to educate and train the public in proper
51 recycling efforts;

52 (g) Evaluation of how financial assistance can best be
53 provided to municipalities and counties in support of their
54 recycling efforts; and

55 (h) Evaluation of why existing waste management and
56 recycling programs in the state have not been better used.

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58 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

59 And the title is amended as follows:

60 On line(s) 421, after the semicolon,
61 insert:

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63 providing legislative findings regarding recycling;
64 providing for a long-term goal of reducing the amount of
65 solid waste disposed of in the state by a certain
66 percentage; requiring the Department of Environmental
67 Protection to develop a comprehensive recycling program
68 and submit such program to the Legislature by a specified
69 date; requiring the Legislature's approval before
70 implementing such program; requiring that such program be
71 developed in coordination with other state and local
72 entities, private businesses, and the public; requiring
73 that the program contain certain components;