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1 Senator Constantine moved the following **amendment**:

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Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 4468 through 4482

and insert:

Section 84. 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.

(2) By the year 2020, the long-term goal for the recycling efforts of state and local governmental entities, private



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18 companies and organizations, and the general public is to reduce
19 the amount of recyclable solid waste disposed of in waste
20 management facilities, landfills, or incineration facilities by a
21 statewide average of at least 75 percent.

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

54 (h) Evaluation of why existing waste management and
55 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:

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61 Delete lines 411 through 414

62 and insert:

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