

1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to recycling; amending s. 403.7145, F.S.;
3 requiring each organization, association, business, and
4 institution operating in the state and receiving state
5 funds, and each public airport in the state, to collect
6 aluminum beverage cans and recyclable plastic and glass
7 from its place of business, or from the entities doing
8 business at the airport, and to offer such materials for
9 recycling; providing legislative intent; encouraging
10 public school districts to recycle certain materials;
11 providing an effective date.

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

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15 Section 1. Section 403.7145, Florida Statutes, is amended
16 to read:

17 403.7145 Recycling.--

18 (1) The Capitol and the House and Senate office buildings
19 constitute the Capitol recycling area. The Florida House of
20 Representatives, the Florida Senate, and the Office of the
21 Governor, the Secretary of State, and each Cabinet officer who
22 heads a department that occupies office space in the Capitol,
23 shall institute a recycling program for their respective offices
24 in the House and Senate office buildings and the Capitol.
25 Provisions shall be made to collect and sell wastepaper and
26 empty aluminum beverage cans generated by employee activities in
27 these offices. The collection and sale of such materials shall
28 be coordinated with Department of Management Services recycling

29 | activities to maximize the efficiency and economy of this
30 | program. The Governor, the Speaker of the House of
31 | Representatives, the President of the Senate, the Secretary of
32 | State, and the Cabinet officers may authorize the use of
33 | proceeds from recyclable material sales for employee benefits
34 | and other purposes, in order to provide incentives to their
35 | respective employees for participation in the recycling program.
36 | Such proceeds may also be used to offset any costs of the
37 | recycling program.

38 | (2) Each state agency, the judicial branch of state
39 | government, and the State University System shall collect and
40 | sell, to the greatest extent practicable, aluminum, glass, and
41 | plastic beverage containers, and other recyclable materials and
42 | products used during the operation of facilities and offices and
43 | may use the proceeds of the sale of such materials and products
44 | for employee benefits and other purposes and thereby provide
45 | incentives for employees to participate in the recycling
46 | program. Such proceeds may also be used to offset any recycling
47 | program costs.

48 | (3) Each organization, association, business, or
49 | institution operating in the state and receiving state funds
50 | shall, to the greatest extent practicable, collect aluminum
51 | beverage cans and recyclable plastic and glass at all locations
52 | where the organization, association, business, or institution
53 | operates or does business, and shall offer such materials for
54 | recycling. Each organization, association, business, or
55 | institution may retain and use any proceeds received from the
56 | sale of these materials for recycling to offset the cost

57 associated with collecting and recycling such materials.

58 (4) Each public airport operating in this state shall, to
59 the greatest extent practicable, collect aluminum beverage cans
60 and recyclable plastic and glass from the airlines and other
61 entities doing business at the airport and offer such materials
62 for recycling. Each airport may retain and use any proceeds
63 received from the sale of these materials for recycling to
64 offset the costs associated with collecting and recycling such
65 materials. Airport administration offices, airport vendors, and
66 airlines are encouraged to coordinate the collection of
67 recyclable waste to the greatest extent practicable. The
68 provisions of this subsection are not intended to interfere with
69 any already established recycling activity.

70 (5) Public school districts are encouraged to conduct
71 recycling programs to the extent practicable and may substitute
72 paper recycling for the materials stated above. It is not the
73 intent of Legislature to have state dollars spent by public
74 school districts on recycling programs that cost more to
75 implement and operate than the amount recouped from the proceeds
76 of the sale of recycled materials.

77 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.