

By the Committee on Commerce; and Senators Jones and Dockery

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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 an effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Section 403.7145, Florida Statutes, is amended

14 to read:

15 403.7145 Recycling.--

16 (1) The Capitol and the House and Senate office buildings

17 constitute the Capitol recycling area. The Florida House of

18 Representatives, the Florida Senate, and the Office of the

19 Governor, the Secretary of State, and each Cabinet officer who

20 heads a department that occupies office space in the Capitol,

21 shall institute a recycling program for their respective offices

22 in the House and Senate office buildings and the Capitol.

23 Provisions shall be made to collect and sell wastepaper and empty

24 aluminum beverage cans generated by employee activities in these

25 offices. The collection and sale of such materials shall be

26 coordinated with Department of Management Services recycling

27 activities to maximize the efficiency and economy of this

28 program. The Governor, the Speaker of the House of

29 Representatives, the President of the Senate, the Secretary of

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30 State, and the Cabinet officers may authorize the use of proceeds
31 from recyclable material sales for employee benefits and other
32 purposes, in order to provide incentives to their respective
33 employees for participation in the recycling program. Such
34 proceeds may also be used to offset any costs of the recycling
35 program.

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

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

56 (4) Each public airport operating in this state shall, to
57 the greatest extent practicable, collect aluminum beverage cans
58 and recyclable plastic and glass from the airlines and other

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59 entities doing business at the airport and offer such materials
60 for recycling. Each airport may retain and use any proceeds
61 received from the sale of these materials for recycling to offset
62 the costs associated with collecting and recycling such
63 materials. Airport administration offices, airport vendors, and
64 airlines are encouraged to coordinate the collection of
65 recyclable waste to the greatest extent practicable. The
66 provisions of this subsection are not intended to interfere with
67 any already established recycling activity.

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