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An act relating to state procurement; amending s. 287.045, F.S.; revising provisions relating to the procurement of products and materials with recycled content by the Department of Management Services to include procurement of remanufactured products, equipment, and instruments; providing procedures and requirements with respect to such procurement; requiring the department to adopt specified rules; removing obsolete language; defining "remanufactured"; providing an additional requirement upon a decision by the Department of Management Services not to procure recycled or remanufactured products, materials, equipment, or instruments; amending s. 403.7065, F.S.; expanding provisions which require state agencies to procure products or materials with recycled content to include the procurement of remanufactured products, equipment, and instruments; providing an additional requirement upon a decision by the Department of Management Services not to procure recycled or remanufactured products, materials, equipment, or instruments; defining "remanufactured"; amending s. 403.7061, F.S.; revising provisions with respect to criteria for the construction of new or the expansion of existing waste-to-energy facilities, to conform; providing an effective date.

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Section 1. Section 287.045, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

287.045 Procurement of products and materials with recycled content; procurement of remanufactured products, equipment, and instruments.--

- (1) (a) The department, in cooperation with the Department of Environmental Protection, shall review and revise existing procurement procedures and specifications for the purchase of products, equipment, and materials, and instruments to eliminate any procedures and specifications that explicitly discriminate against products and materials with recycled content, or remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments, except where such procedures and specifications are necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.
- (b) Each agency shall review and revise its procurement procedures and specifications for the purchase of products, equipment, and materials, and instruments to eliminate any procedures and specifications that explicitly discriminate against products and materials with recycled content, or remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments, except if such procedures and specifications are necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare.
- (2) (a) The department and each agency shall review and revise its procurement procedures and specifications for the purchase of products, equipment, and materials, and instruments to ensure to the maximum extent feasible that each agency uses state contracts to purchase products, equipment, or materials, or instruments that may be recycled, or

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<u>remanufactured</u> when <u>such</u> these products, equipment, or materials, or instruments are discarded.

- (b) The Auditor General shall assist in monitoring the product procurement requirements of this section.
- (3) As part of the review and revision required in subsection (2), the department and each agency shall review its procurement provisions and specifications for the purchase of products, equipment, and materials, and instruments to determine which products or materials with recycled content, and which remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments, could be procured by the department or other agencies and, where applicable, the amount of recycled content that can technologically be contained in procured such products or materials. The department and other agencies must use the amounts of recycled content and postconsumer recovered material determined by the department, or state that products, equipment, or instruments are remanufactured, in issuing solicitations for contracts for the purchase of such products, equipment, or instruments, or instruments.
- (4) Upon completion of the review required in subsection (3), the department and other agencies shall require that a person who submits a bid, proposal, or reply for a contract for the purchase of products, equipment, or materials, or instruments identified in subsection (3) and who wishes to be considered for the price preference described in subsection (5) certify in writing the percentage of recycled content in the product or material that is subject to the bid, proposal, or reply or certify in writing that the products, equipment, or

instruments that are subject to the bid, proposal, or reply are remanufactured. A person may certify that the product or material contains no recycled content or that the product, equipment, or instrument is original equipment.

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Upon evaluation of bids, proposals, or replies for every public contract that involves the purchase of products, equipment, or materials, or instruments identified in subsection (3), the department or other agency shall identify the lowest responsible and responsive vendor and other responsible and responsive vendors who have certified that the products or materials contain at least the minimum percentage of recycled content and postconsumer recovered material, or who have certified that the products, equipment, or instruments are remanufactured, as that is set forth in the solicitation. The department or agency may consider life-cycle costing when evaluating a bid, proposal, or reply on a product that consists of recycled materials or on remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments. The department shall adopt rules that specify the criteria to be used when considering life-cycle costing in evaluating bids, proposals, or replies. The rules must take into consideration the specified warranty periods for products, equipment, or instruments and the comparative expected service life relative to the cost of the products, equipment, or instruments. In awarding a contract for the purchase of products, equipment, or materials, or instruments, the department or other agency may allow up to a 10-percent price preference to a responsible and responsive vendor who has certified that the products or materials contain at least the

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minimum percentage of recycled content and postconsumer recovered material, or are remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments, and up to an additional 5-percent price preference to a responsible and responsive vendor who has certified that the products or materials material are made of materials recovered in this state or that the products, equipment, or instruments are remanufactured in this state. The amount of the price preference must be commensurate with the certified amounts of recycled material and postconsumer recovered material and materials recycled from products in this state, contained in the product or materials, or with the certification that the products, equipment, or instruments are remanufactured or remanufactured in this state, on a sliding scale as established by department rule, which rule shall not become effective prior to November 1, 1994. Reusable materials and products and remanufactured products, equipment, and instruments shall be used where economically and technically feasible. If no vendors offer products or materials with measurable life-cycle costing factors or the minimum prescribed recycled and postconsumer content, or remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments, the contract must be awarded to the lowest qualified responsible and responsive vendor.

- (6) For the purposes of this section, the term:
- (a) "Recycled content" means materials that have been recycled that are contained in the products or materials to be procured, including, but not limited to, paper, aluminum, steel, glass, plastics, and composted material. The term does not include the virgin component of internally generated scrap that

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is commonly used in industrial or manufacturing processes or such waste or scrap purchased from another manufacturer who manufactures the same or a closely related product. Recycled content printing and fine writing grades of paper shall contain at least 10 percent postconsumer recovered materials.

- (b) "Remanufactured" refers to a product, equipment, or instrument that has undergone rebuilding, repair, or restoration to meet or exceed the original equipment manufacturer's specifications and which may be sold and serviced by a third party and may carry a warranty that is different from the warranty provided by the original equipment manufacturer.
- (7) Any person may request the department to evaluate a product or material with recycled content, or remanufactured product, equipment, or instrument, if the product, equipment, or material, or instrument is eligible for inclusion under state contracts. The department shall review each reasonable proposal to determine its merit and, if it finds that the product, equipment, or instrument may be used beneficially, it may incorporate that product, equipment, or material, or instrument, or material, or instrument into its procurement procedures.
- (8) The department and each agency shall review and revise its procedures and specifications on a continuing basis to encourage the use of products and materials with recycled content and postconsumer recovered material, and remanufactured products, equipment, and instruments, and shall, in developing new procedures and specifications, encourage the use of products and materials with recycled content and postconsumer recovered

material <u>and remanufactured products, equipment, and</u> instruments.

- (9) After November 1, 1994, The department may discontinue contracting for products or materials the recycled content of which does not meet the requirements of subsection (3), and may discontinue contracting for remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments which do not meet the requirements of subsection (3), if it determines that products, equipment, or materials, or instruments meeting those requirements are available at a cost not to exceed an additional 10 percent of comparable virgin products or original equipment products, equipment, or instruments.
- (10) (a) An agency, or a vendor contracting with such agency with respect to work performed under contract, must procure products or materials with recycled content, or remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments, if the department determines that those products, equipment, or materials, or instruments are available pursuant to subsection (5).
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, for the purpose of this section, the term "agency" means any of the various state officers, departments, boards, commissions, divisions, bureaus, and councils and any other unit of organization, however designated, of the executive branch including the Department of the Lottery, the legislative branch, the judicial branch, the university and college boards of trustees, and the state universities and colleges.
  - (c) A decision not to procure such items must be:

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 $\underline{1.}$  Based on the department's determination that such procurement:

- $\underline{a}$ . Is not reasonably available within an acceptable period of time; or
- $\underline{\text{b.}}$  Fails to meet the performance standards set forth in the applicable specifications; or
  - c. Fails to meet the performance standards of the agency.
- 2. Accompanied by a detailed technological justification prepared by the department explaining the need to use or obtain products or materials that do not contain recycled content or original equipment manufacturers' products, equipment, or instruments instead of products or materials containing recycled content or remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments.
- (11) Each agency shall report annually to the department its total expenditures on, and use of, products with recycled content and remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments and the percentage of its budget that represents purchases of similar products made from virgin materials or original equipment products, equipment, or instruments. The department shall design a uniform reporting mechanism and prepare annual summaries of statewide purchases delineating those with recycled content or consisting of remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments to be submitted to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- Section 2. Section 403.7065, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

403.7065 Procurement of products or materials with recycled content; procurement of remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments.--

- (1) (a) Except as provided in s. 287.045, any state agency or agency of a political subdivision of the state which is using state funds, or any person contracting with any such agency with respect to work performed under contract, is required to procure products or materials with recycled content, or, where applicable, remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments, when the Department of Management Services determines that such those products, or materials, equipment, or instruments are available.
- (b) A decision not to procure such items described in paragraph (a) must be:
- <u>1.</u> Based on the Department of Management Services' determination that such procurement:
- $\underline{a}$ . Is not reasonably available within an acceptable period of time; or,
- $\underline{\text{b.}}$  Fails to meet the performance standards set forth in the applicable specifications;  $\overline{\phantom{a}}$  or
  - c. Fails to meet the performance standards of the agency.
- 2. Accompanied by a detailed technological justification prepared by the department explaining the need to use or obtain products or materials that do not contain recycled content or original equipment manufacturers' products, equipment, or instruments instead of products or materials containing recycled content or remanufactured products, equipment, or instruments.

(c) When the requirements of s. 287.045 are met, agencies shall be subject to the procurement requirements of that section for procuring products or materials with recycled content.

(2) For the purposes of this section:

- (a) "Recycled content" means materials that have been recycled that are contained in the products or materials to be procured, including, but not limited to, paper, aluminum, steel, plastic, glass, and composted material. The term does not include the virgin component of internally generated scrap that is commonly used in the industrial or manufacturing processes from which it was generated or waste or scrap purchased from another manufacturer who manufactures the same or a closely related product.
- (b) "Remanufactured" refers to a product, equipment, or instrument that has undergone rebuilding, repair, or restoration to meet or exceed the original equipment manufacturer's specifications and which may be sold and serviced by a third party and may carry a warranty that is different from the warranty provided by the original equipment manufacturer.
- Section 3. Paragraph (f) of subsection (3) of section 403.7061, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 403.7061 Requirements for review of new waste-to-energy facility capacity by the Department of Environmental Protection.--
- (3) An applicant must provide reasonable assurance that the construction of a new waste-to-energy facility or the expansion of an existing waste-to-energy facility will comply with the following criteria:

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(f) The local government in which the facility is located
has implemented a program to procure products or materials with
recycled content and remanufactured products, equipment, or
<u>instruments</u> , pursuant to s. 403.7065.

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Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.