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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to paper recycling; creating s.
3 403.7147, F.S.; defining terms; requiring each
4 district school board to develop a paper recycling
5 program to be implemented within each classroom of the
6 school district; requiring each district school board
7 to adopt rules; authorizing exemptions; requiring
8 money received for the recycling of paper or paper
9 products to be deposited into the school district's
10 general fund; providing an effective date.

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

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14 Section 1. Section 403.7147, Florida Statutes, is created
15 to read:

16 403.7147 Public school paper recycling program.-

17 (1) DEFINITIONS.-As used in this section, the term:

18 (a) "Paper" means cellulosic material that contains, by
19 weight or volume, less than 10 percent noncellulosic material.
20 The term includes newspaper, high-grade office paper, fine
21 paper, bond paper, offset paper, xerographic paper, mimeo paper,
22 and duplicator paper.

23 (b) "Paper product" means a paper article or commodity,
24 including a paper napkin, paper towel, or cardboard.

25 (2) PAPER RECYCLING PROGRAM.-Each district school board
26 shall develop a districtwide paper recycling program to be
27 implemented in all classrooms and adopt rules establishing the
28 procedure for the collection and disposition of paper and paper
29 products collected for recycling.

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30 (3) EXEMPTIONS.—A district school board may exempt from a
31 paper recycling program any of the following:

32 (a) Confidential documents, if there is an additional cost
33 for recycling such documents.

34 (b) The school district, if the school board determines
35 that the cost to recycle paper and paper products for the
36 district is unreasonable or would place an undue burden on the
37 operations of the district.

38 (c) A particular school within the district, if the
39 district school board determines that the cost to recycle paper
40 and paper products for the school is unreasonable or would place
41 an undue burden on the operations of the school.

42 (4) MONEYS RECEIVED.—Money received by a school district
43 for the recycling of paper or paper products shall be deposited
44 into the school district's general fund.

45 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014.