



Senate

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File No. 653

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 611

Senate, April 17, 2008

The Committee on Appropriations reported through SEN. HARP of the 10th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING RECYCLING PROGRAMS IN SCHOOLS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2008*) Each local and regional
2 board of education shall develop and implement a recycling plan at
3 each school under the board's jurisdiction. Such plan shall include, but
4 not be limited to, provision of a sufficient number of recycling
5 receptacles and a requirement for appropriate disposal of recyclable
6 materials. Items required to be recycled pursuant to this section shall
7 be the items designated as items required to be recycled by the
8 Commissioner of Environmental Protection in regulations adopted in
9 accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of section 22a-241b of
10 the general statutes. Such items shall be recycled at the facility
11 designated by the town in which the school is located pursuant to the
12 provisions of section 22a-220a of the general statutes, if the town has so
13 designated such a facility.

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 09 \$	FY 10 \$
All Municipalities	None	None	None

Explanation

The bill's requirement that boards of education develop and implement a recycling plan at each of their schools results in no fiscal impact as it requires the recycling of items already designated by the Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner for recycling.

OLR Bill Analysis**sSB 611*****AN ACT CONCERNING RECYCLING PROGRAMS IN SCHOOLS.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill specifically requires boards of education to develop and implement a recycling plan at each of their schools. The plans must at least include the provision of enough recycling receptacles and a requirement for the appropriate disposal of recyclable materials. The bill requires the recycling of items designated by the Department of Environmental Protection commissioner in regulations; these are cardboard, glass food containers, leaves, metal food containers, newspaper, office paper, scrap metal, storage batteries, and waste oil. If the town where the school is located has designated a recycling facility, the items must be recycled there. By law, anyone who generates solid waste must already separate the waste from recyclable items.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2008

BACKGROUND***Related Bill***

sHB 5138 (File 465), reported by the Environment Committee, encourages recycling.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Education Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute Change of Reference

Yea 30 Nay 0 (03/17/2008)

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 52 Nay 0 (03/28/2008)