

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE AMENDMENT  
TO  
2 ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 498

By: Paddack and Gumm of the  
Senate

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Hilliard of the House  
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8 An Act relating to recycling; amending 27A O.S. 2001,  
9 Section 2-10-205, which relates to the Oklahoma  
10 Recycling Initiative; \* \* \* and declaring an  
11 emergency.

12 AMENDMENT NO. 1. Strike the title, enacting clause and entire bill  
13 and insert

14 "An Act relating to recycling; amending 27A O.S.  
15 2001, Section 2-10-205, which relates to the  
16 Oklahoma Recycling Initiative; encouraging  
17 attainment of certain goal for solid waste recycling  
18 by certain date; requiring certain entities to  
19 coordinate efforts; requiring certain report; and  
20 declaring an emergency.

21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

22 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 27A O.S. 2001, Section 2-10-205,  
is amended to read as follows:

23 Section 2-10-205. A. The Legislature hereby recognizes and  
24 declares that it is necessary for the public interest, health and

1 economic welfare to encourage and promote the recycling and reuse of  
2 recoverable materials. The recycling and reuse of recoverable  
3 materials substantially reduces disposal costs and the tremendous  
4 flow of solid waste to Oklahoma's dwindling solid waste sites. It  
5 is equally necessary that Oklahoma preserve, expand and encourage  
6 economic growth. The recycling and reuse of recoverable materials  
7 will create new employment, provide and allow for expansion of  
8 existing manufacturing, thereby increasing employment and payrolls  
9 as well as upgrading the state's natural resources.

10 B. The Legislature declares that the goal of this state,  
11 hereinafter called the Oklahoma Recycling Initiative, is that each  
12 incorporated municipality with a population greater than five  
13 thousand (5,000), as determined by the most recent decennial census  
14 by the Bureau of the Census of the United States Department of  
15 Commerce, should develop and operate a recycling program which will  
16 generate raw materials for the manufacturing industries located in  
17 this state. Due to the importance of the paper industry to  
18 Oklahoma's economy, each recycling and reuse program should at a  
19 minimum include the collection of waste paper.

20 In implementing any recycling program the Oklahoma Recycling  
21 Initiative the municipality may:

22 1. Consider the overall status of the solid waste collection  
23 system and management within the municipality, including generation,  
24 recycling and disposal;

1           2. Review five- , ten- , and twenty-year municipality-wide  
2 goals for reducing the amount of solid waste through the recycling  
3 of recoverable materials;

4           3. Evaluate alternative methods for achieving the Oklahoma  
5 Recycling Initiative through municipality-wide collection systems or  
6 through integrated recoverable materials management on a regional  
7 basis;

8           4. Establish a comprehensive and sustained public information  
9 and education program concerning the recoverable materials program's  
10 features and requirements; and

11           5. Include in the program such other information recommended by  
12 the Department of Environmental Quality.

13           C. The Legislature in an effort to increase statewide recycling  
14 efforts hereby encourages a goal of recycling ten percent (10%) of  
15 the entire solid waste stream produced in this state by December 31,  
16 2011. The Department of Environmental Quality shall coordinate this  
17 effort with the Oklahoma Recycling Association (OKRA) and any other  
18 interested parties and issue a report to the Legislature by December  
19 31, 2011.

20           SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
21 of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby  
22 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
23 be in full force from and after its passage and approval."

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1 Passed the House of Representatives the 24th day of April, 2008.

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4 Presiding Officer of the House of  
Representatives  
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6 Passed the Senate the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

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