

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 HOUSE BILL 3318

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to environment and natural resources;
8 creating the Oklahoma Recycling Task Force; providing
9 for membership; providing for vacancies, quorum,
10 cochairs, meetings, staffing, and travel
11 reimbursement; stating duties of the Task Force;
12 requiring the Task Force to file a report by certain
13 date; providing for noncodification; and declaring an
14 emergency.

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

16 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be
17 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

18 A. There is hereby created, to continue until December 31,
19 2010, the Oklahoma Recycling Task Force.

20 B. The Task Force shall consist of fourteen (14) members as
21 follows:

22 1. The Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives shall
23 appoint five members as follows:

- 24 a. two members of the Oklahoma House of Representatives,
b. one member who represents a municipality in the state
with a recycling program,

1 c. one member who represents the waste management
2 industry, and

3 d. one member who represents a statewide environmental
4 organization;

5 2. The President Pro Tempore of the State Senate shall appoint
6 five members as follows:

7 a. two members of the State Senate,

8 b. one member who represents a municipality in the state
9 with a recycling program,

10 c. one member who represents the waste management
11 industry, and

12 d. one member who represents a statewide environmental
13 organization;

14 3. The Governor shall appoint two members as follows:

15 a. one member who represents a municipality in the state
16 with a recycling program, and

17 b. one member who represents the recycling industry;

18 4. The Executive Director of the Department of Environmental
19 Quality or a designee; and

20 5. The Secretary of Environment.

21 C. 1. Members shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing
22 authorities. A vacancy on the Task Force shall be filled by the
23 original appointing authority.
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1 2. Appointments to the Task Force shall be made by August 1,
2 2008.

3 3. A majority of the members of the Task Force shall constitute
4 a quorum. A majority of the members present at a meeting may act
5 for the Task Force.

6 4. The President Pro Tempore of the State Senate and the
7 Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives shall each
8 designate a cochair from among the members of the Task Force.

9 5. The cochairs of the Task Force shall convene the meetings of
10 the Task Force and shall determine a schedule of meetings. The
11 first meeting of the Task Force shall be called no later than
12 October 1, 2008.

13 D. 1. Staff of the Department of Environmental Quality shall
14 serve as primary resource staff for the Task Force.

15 2. The Task Force may use the expertise and services of the
16 staffs of the State Senate and the Oklahoma House of Representatives
17 and may, as necessary, seek the advice and services of experts in
18 the field as well as other necessary professional and clerical
19 staff.

20 E. All departments, officers, agencies, and employees of this
21 state shall cooperate with the Task Force in fulfilling its duties
22 and responsibilities including, but not limited to, providing any
23 information, records, or reports requested by the Task Force.

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1 F. Members of the Task Force shall receive no compensation for
2 their service, but shall receive travel reimbursement as follows:

3 1. Legislative members of the Task Force shall be reimbursed
4 for necessary travel expenses incurred in the performance of their
5 duties in accordance with the provisions of Section 456 of Title 74
6 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

7 2. Nonlegislative members of the Task Force shall be reimbursed
8 by their appointing authorities or respective agencies for necessary
9 travel expenses incurred in the performance of their duties in
10 accordance with the State Travel Reimbursement Act.

11 G. It shall be the duty of the Task Force to formulate
12 recommendations related to:

13 1. Increasing the number and volume of municipal curbside
14 recycling programs in the state;

15 2. Increasing the availability of recycling collection points
16 and companies in the state which process recyclable material;

17 3. Implementation of municipal grants or incentives to start or
18 improve recycling programs;

19 4. Implementation of incentives and programs for individuals to
20 reduce, reuse, and recycle; and

21 5. Identifying ways to reduce the amount of waste in landfills.

22 H. The Task Force shall file a report of its recommendations,
23 including recommendations for any resulting legislation, with the
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1 Governor, Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, and the
2 President Pro Tempore of the State Senate by December 31, 2010.

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

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