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Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The legislature finds that protecting human health and the environment is of the utmost importance to the citizens of the state of Washington. Mercury is introduced into the environment in a variety of ways through the disposal of products that are no longer operational, including bilge pumps, oven doors, sump pumps, agricultural equipment, thermostats, clothes irons, and freezer door switches. It is the intent of the legislature to study the most appropriate and cost-effective manner to collect and recover all mercury-added components when products are no longer operational.

(2) The department of ecology shall form a stakeholder group including representatives of manufacturers, recyclers, and consumers to study the most appropriate and cost-effective way to collect and recover mercury-added components of products and report recommendations of the stakeholder group back to the legislature by December 31, 2005. Those recommendations shall include a list of all products that contain mercury at the time of disposal and a recommendation for appropriately disposing of those products, including an analysis of the cost to carry out the recommendations of the stakeholder group."

19 Renumber the sections consecutively and correct any internal 20 references accordingly.

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