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1 AN ACT Relating to solid waste management plans; and amending RCW
2 70.95.090.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.95.090 and 1991 c 298 s 3 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 Each county and city comprehensive solid waste management plan
7 shall include the following:

8 (1) A detailed inventory and description of all existing solid
9 waste handling facilities including an inventory of any deficiencies in
10 meeting current solid waste handling needs.

11 (2) The estimated long-range needs for solid waste handling
12 facilities projected twenty years into the future.

13 (3) A program for the orderly development of solid waste handling
14 facilities in a manner consistent with the plans for the entire county
15 which shall:

16 (a) Meet the minimum functional standards for solid waste handling
17 adopted by the department and all laws and regulations relating to air
18 and water pollution, fire prevention, flood control, and protection of
19 public health;

1 (b) Take into account the comprehensive land use plan of each
2 jurisdiction;

3 (c) Contain a six year construction and capital acquisition program
4 for solid waste handling facilities; and

5 (d) Contain a plan for financing both capital costs and operational
6 expenditures of the proposed solid waste management system.

7 (4) A program for the safe handling, transport, and disposal of
8 biomedical waste, as defined in RCW 70.95K.010. The program shall
9 specify how biomedical waste will be segregated from other solid waste.

10 (5) A program for surveillance and control.

11 ((+5+)) (6) A current inventory and description of solid waste
12 collection needs and operations within each respective jurisdiction
13 which shall include:

14 (a) Any franchise for solid waste collection granted by the
15 utilities and transportation commission in the respective jurisdictions
16 including the name of the holder of the franchise and the address of
17 his or her place of business and the area covered by the franchise;

18 (b) Any city solid waste operation within the county and the
19 boundaries of such operation;

20 (c) The population density of each area serviced by a city
21 operation or by a franchised operation within the respective
22 jurisdictions;

23 (d) The projected solid waste collection needs for the respective
24 jurisdictions for the next six years.

25 ((+6+)) (7) A comprehensive waste reduction and recycling element
26 that, in accordance with the priorities established in RCW 70.95.010,
27 provides programs that (a) reduce the amount of waste generated, (b)
28 provide incentives and mechanisms for source separation, and (c)
29 establish recycling opportunities for the source separated waste.

30 ((+7+)) (8) The waste reduction and recycling element shall include
31 the following:

32 (a) Waste reduction strategies;

33 (b) Source separation strategies, including:

34 (i) Programs for the collection of source separated materials from
35 residences in urban and rural areas. In urban areas, these programs
36 shall include collection of source separated recyclable materials from
37 single and multiple family residences, unless the department approves
38 an alternative program, according to the criteria in the planning
39 guidelines. Such criteria shall include: Anticipated recovery rates

1 and levels of public participation, availability of environmentally
2 sound disposal capacity, access to markets for recyclable materials,
3 unreasonable cost impacts on the ratepayer over the six-year planning
4 period, utilization of environmentally sound waste reduction and
5 recycling technologies, and other factors as appropriate. In rural
6 areas, these programs shall include but not be limited to drop-off
7 boxes, buy-back centers, or a combination of both, at each solid waste
8 transfer, processing, or disposal site, or at locations convenient to
9 the residents of the county. The drop-off boxes and buy-back centers
10 may be owned or operated by public, nonprofit, or private persons;

11 (ii) Programs to monitor the collection of source separated waste
12 at nonresidential sites where there is sufficient density to sustain a
13 program;

14 (iii) Programs to collect yard waste, if the county or city
15 submitting the plan finds that there are adequate markets or capacity
16 for composted yard waste within or near the service area to consume the
17 majority of the material collected; and

18 (iv) Programs to educate and promote the concepts of waste
19 reduction and recycling;

20 (c) Recycling strategies, including a description of markets for
21 recyclables, a review of waste generation trends, a description of
22 waste composition, a discussion and description of existing programs
23 and any additional programs needed to assist public and private sector
24 recycling, and an implementation schedule for the designation of
25 specific materials to be collected for recycling, and for the provision
26 of recycling collection services;

27 (d) Other information the county or city submitting the plan
28 determines is necessary.

29 ~~((+8+))~~ (9) An assessment of the plan's impact on the costs of
30 solid waste collection. The assessment shall be prepared in
31 conformance with guidelines established by the utilities and
32 transportation commission. The commission shall cooperate with the
33 Washington state association of counties and the association of
34 Washington cities in establishing such guidelines.

35 ~~((+9+))~~ (10) A review of potential areas that meet the criteria as
36 outlined in RCW 70.95.165.

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