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Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

"NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) The department, in consultation with 3 4 the solid waste advisory committee created under RCW 70.95.040, shall 5 conduct research and develop recommendations for implementing and б financing an electronic product collection, recycling, and reuse 7 program. The department and the solid waste advisory committee shall 8 consult with stakeholders including persons who represent covered 9 electronic product manufacturers, covered electronic product retailers, waste haulers, electronics recyclers, charities, cities, counties, 10 11 environmental organizations, public interest organizations, and other 12 interested parties that have a role or interest in the collection, reuse, and recycling of covered electronic products. 13

14 (2) The department shall identify and evaluate existing projects 15 and encourage new pilot projects for covered electronic product 16 collection, recycling, and reuse that allow for new information to be 17 obtained. In evaluating new and existing projects, factors to be 18 considered include:

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(a) Urban versus rural recycling challenges and issues;

20 (b) The involvement of covered electronic product manufacturers;

(c) Different methods of financing the collection, reuse, and recycling programs for covered electronic products;

(d) The impact of the approach on local governments, nonprofitorganizations, waste haulers, and other stakeholders;

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(e) How to address historic and orphan waste; and

26 (f) The effect of landfill bans on collection and recovery of 27 covered electronic products.

28 (3) The department shall also:

(a) Examine existing programs and infrastructure for reuse and
 recycling of electronic waste;

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(b) Compile information on electronic product manufacturers'
 covered electronic product collection, recycling, and reuse programs;

3 (c) Review existing data on the costs to collect, transport, and 4 recycle electronic waste;

5 (d) Develop possible performance measures to assess the 6 effectiveness of collection, reuse, and recycling of covered electronic 7 products;

8 (e) Develop a description of what could be accomplished voluntarily 9 and what would require regulation or legislation if needed to implement 10 the recommended statewide collection, recycling, and reuse program for 11 covered electronic products;

12 (f) Research the potential impacts of recycling or reusing 13 electronic waste on jobs, recycling infrastructure, and economic 14 development;

15 (g) Evaluate the suitability of lined and unlined facilities for 16 the disposal of covered electronic products;

(h) Explore state financial incentives for developing business opportunities and jobs in the area of covered electronic product recycling and reuse infrastructure;

20 (i) Develop and assess ways to establish and finance a statewide 21 collection, reuse, and recycling program for covered electronic 22 products; and

(j) Work with the federal environmental protection agency, other federal agencies, and interested stakeholders to:

(i) Determine the amount of electronic waste exported from
Washington that is subject to reporting under 40 C.F.R. part 262;

(ii) Determine the amount of electronic waste exported from Washington that is not subject to reporting under 40 C.F.R. part 262, including electronic waste from households, small quantity generators, regulated generators, and other sources; and

31 (iii) Identify methods to determine if exports of electronic waste 32 from Washington are in compliance with national laws in destination 33 countries.

(4) The department shall report its findings and recommendations
for implementing and financing a state covered electronic product
collection, recycling, and reuse program to the appropriate committees
of the legislature by December 15, 2004, and December 15, 2005.

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(5) For purposes of this section "covered electronic product" means 1 computer monitors, personal computers, and televisions sold to 2 consumers for personal use, but does not include: (a) An automobile or 3 any cathode ray tube, cathode ray tube device, flat panel screen, 4 personal computer, or other similar video display device that is 5 contained within, and is not separate from, the automobile; or (b) any 6 7 large piece of commercial or industrial equipment, including but not limited to, medical devices and products, including materials intended 8 for use as ingredients in such products, as such terms are defined in 9 the federal food, drug, and cosmetic act (21 U.S.C. Sec. 301 et seq.) 10 or the virus-serum-toxin act of 1913 (21 U.S.C. Sec. 151 et seq.), and 11 regulations issued under those acts, and other equipment used in the 12 13 delivery of patient care in a health care setting.

14 (6) This section expires December 31, 2005."

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15 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "management;" strike the 16 remainder of the title and insert "creating a new section; and 17 providing an expiration date."

<u>EFFECT:</u> Removes the intent and definition sections of the bill. Includes only electronic products that are sold to consumers for personal use. Adds a second report, in December 15, 2005. Changes the expiration date to December 31, 2005.

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