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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
2 following:

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that cleaning
4 products are necessary for creating and maintaining sanitary conditions
5 in state facilities and workplaces. However, chemicals contained in
6 cleaning products can be released to the environment during normal use
7 by evaporation of volatile components or by leaving residue on cleaned
8 surfaces. Choosing less hazardous cleaning products for use in our
9 workplaces and our facilities and taking steps to reduce exposure can
10 minimize harmful impacts to office and custodial workers, improve
11 indoor air quality, and reduce water and ambient air pollution.
12 Purchasing and appropriate use of products that perform well and that
13 have positive environmental attributes such as biodegradability, low
14 toxicity, low volatile organic compound content, reduced packaging, and
15 low life cycle energy use can reduce the environmental impact of
16 routine cleaning activities while also ensuring cleaning effectiveness.
17 Therefore, the legislature finds that the adoption of practices to
18 select, procure, and use environmentally preferred products will
19 benefit the environment and the health and safety of workers and
20 visitors to state facilities.

21 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** (1) All state agencies that purchase
22 cleaning products or services must ensure that cleaning products have
23 properties that minimize potential impacts to human health and the
24 environment consistent with maintenance of the effectiveness of these
25 products for the protection of public health and safety. For purposes
26 of this chapter, "state agency" means any office, department, division,
27 bureau, board, commission, or other agency of the state of Washington
28 or of any subdivision thereof.

1 (2) The department of general administration, in consultation with
2 the department of health and the department of ecology, shall consider
3 nationally recognized accrediting information and provide consultation
4 and guidance to state agencies to:

5 (a) Select and procure products and use practices that reduce or
6 minimize the risks of harmful effects to employees, custodial workers,
7 visitors, and other building occupants and to the environment;

8 (b) Promote adoption of practices endorsed by this chapter;

9 (c) Recognize state agencies that adopt and implement
10 environmentally beneficial facility and workplace management policies
11 and practices;

12 (d) Encourage contractors supplying goods and services to state
13 agencies to select and procure such products; and

14 (e) Encourage lessors and building managers who provide leased
15 space to state agencies to select and procure such products.

16 (3) The department of general administration, upon renewal of a
17 lease and for all new leases, must require lessors and building
18 managers who provide leased space to state agencies to use
19 environmentally preferred products and practices.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** (1) When procuring cleaning products, state
21 agencies shall purchase environmentally preferred products or document
22 the reasons for selecting nonpreferred products. The products must
23 conform to guidance for environmentally preferred purchasing of
24 cleaning products that may be provided under section 2 of this act, or
25 must be products that have been identified by the department of general
26 administration as compliant with this chapter.

27 (2) When there is a need to control the spread of germs, infection,
28 and disease in areas where high levels of bacteria are present or in
29 areas where mandated by law, the use of germicidals, disinfectants, and
30 microbiological products to disinfect surfaces must be reported as
31 required in subsection (3) of this section. The use of these products
32 must be in accordance with responsible cleaning procedure requirements,
33 including:

34 (a) Controlled and efficient use;

35 (b) Proper dilution, mixing, and handling;

36 (c) Following label instructions;

37 (d) Monitoring of chemical quantities used; and

1 (e) Compliance with chemical hazard communication and personal
2 protective equipment use requirements under chapter 296-800 WAC.

3 (3) All state agencies that procure or use cleaning products shall
4 prepare and submit a report electronically to the department of general
5 administration biennially listing the amount and type of cleaning
6 product used. When the use of nonpreferred products is reported,
7 information must include the total number, type, and amount of
8 nonpreferred products used and the reasons for their selection. Agency
9 reports must be published on the department of general administration's
10 web site and made available to employees and the general public.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** Local governments and school districts are
12 encouraged to review their purchasing and use of cleaning products and
13 select those having properties that minimize potential impacts to human
14 health and the environment consistent with section 2 of this act. The
15 department of general administration shall encourage local governments
16 and school districts that are members of the department of general
17 administration's state purchasing cooperative to achieve the goals of
18 this chapter.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** State agencies shall transition to cleaning
20 products having properties that minimize potential impacts to human
21 health and the environment within six months of the effective date of
22 this section in a manner that avoids waste of existing inventories,
23 accommodates establishment of supply chains for new products, enables
24 the training of personnel in appropriate work practices, and allows the
25 phase out of products and practices inconsistent with this chapter.

26 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** Sections 1 through 5 of this act constitute
27 a new chapter in Title 70 RCW."

28 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Provides for the use and reporting of germicidals and
disinfectants. Requires biennial reporting from all state agencies
that procure or use cleaning products. Removes the provision that a

state agency that procured and used only environmentally preferred cleaning products is not required to report. Makes a technical change to substitute "nonpreferred products" for "alternative products" throughout the document.

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