

SB 5080-S.E - DIGEST

(AS OF SENATE 2ND READING 4/4/2007)

Extends the time period for waste tire removal fees and revises the disposition of the fees.

Restates the goal to fully clean up unauthorized waste tire piles in Washington state in an expeditious fashion. In partnership with local governments and the private sector, the legislature encourages ongoing efforts to prevent the creation of future unauthorized waste tire piles. The legislature notes a positive trend in tire recycling in recent years and encourages all parties to continue these strong recycling efforts.

Provides that, on September first of even-numbered years, the department of ecology shall provide a report to the house and senate transportation committees on the progress being made on the cleanup of unauthorized waste tire piles in the state and efforts underway to prevent the formation of future unauthorized waste tire piles. The report should detail any additional unauthorized waste tire piles discovered since the last report and present a plan to clean up these new unauthorized waste tire piles if they have not already done so, as well as include a listing of authorized waste tire piles and transporters. The report shall also include the status of funds available to the program and a needs assessment of the program. On September 1, 2008, the department shall also make recommendations to the committees for an ongoing program to prevent the formation of future unauthorized waste tire piles. Such a program, if required, must include joint efforts with local governments and the tire industry.