
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1518

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By House State Government & Tribal Relations (originally sponsored by Representatives Stonier and Ormsby)

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1 AN ACT Relating to environmental standards of paper products for
2 printers and copiers that are purchased by the state, for state
3 agencies; amending RCW 43.19A.022; and creating a new section.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that there are
6 environmental advantages to having state agencies purchase paper that
7 is produced in a manner that reduces carbon dioxide to combat climate
8 change.

9 **Sec. 2.** RCW 43.19A.022 and 2015 c 225 s 71 are each amended to
10 read as follows:

11 (1) All state agencies shall purchase, for use in office printers
12 and copiers, (a) one hundred percent postconsumer recycled content
13 white cut sheet bond paper ((used in office printers and copiers)) or
14 (b) paper that has at least 30 percent recycled content and is
15 certified as responsibly sourced by a third-party certification
16 entity approved by the department of enterprise services under
17 subsection (4) of this section. State agencies are encouraged to give
18 priority to purchasing from companies that produce paper in
19 facilities that generate energy from a renewable energy source.

1 (2) State agencies that utilize office printers and copiers that,
2 after reasonable attempts, cannot be calibrated to utilize such paper
3 referenced in subsection (1) of this section, must for those models
4 of equipment:

5 (a) Purchase paper at the highest recycled content that can be
6 utilized efficiently by the copier or printer;

7 (b) At the time of lease renewal or at the end of the life cycle,
8 either lease or purchase a model that will efficiently utilize (~~one~~
9 ~~hundred percent recycled content white cut sheet bond paper~~) paper
10 that complies with subsection (1) of this section.

11 (3) Printed projects that require the use of high volume
12 production inserters or high-speed digital devices, such as those
13 used by the department of enterprise services, are not required to
14 meet the one hundred percent recycled content white cut sheet bond
15 paper standard, but must (~~utilize the highest recycled content that~~
16 ~~can be utilized efficiently by such equipment and not impede the~~
17 ~~business of agencies~~) still comply with subsection (1)(b) of this
18 section.

19 (4) The department of enterprise services shall identify for use
20 by agencies (~~one hundred percent recycled~~) paper products that
21 comply with subsection (1) of this section, and process efficiently
22 through high-speed production equipment and do not impede the
23 business of agencies. The department shall also identify, and
24 approve, organizations that can certify paper as responsibly sourced.

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