

# 2020 Legislative Update

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# HB 73 (Overdorf) and SB 326 (Perry)

- Environmental Regulation: (Recycling Improvement).

Specifies requirements for contracts between residential recycling collectors or recovered materials processing facilities and counties or municipalities for collection or processing of residential recycling material.

Contracts and RFPs for collection and processing of recyclable material must include:

- The strategies and obligations of the county/city and the collector/processor to reduce contamination.
- Procedures for identifying, managing and rejecting carts/bins and truck loads and remedies.
- Education and enforcement measures to reduce contamination.
- A definition of “contaminated recyclable material” that is appropriate for the local community.

Effective Date: October 1, 2020

# HB 1031(Killebrew) and SB 724 (Albritton)

- Creates Florida Recycling Working Group; provides for membership, duties, & expiration; requires report to Legislature by specified date; provides exemption from recycling requirements for fiscally constrained counties and expiration of such exemption.

Effective Date: July 1, 2020

# SB 1152 (Bronson) PFAS

- Brownfield Site Rehabilitation. Increasing the total amount of tax credits which may be granted for certain contaminated site rehabilitations each year; providing that potential brownfield sites owned by the state or a local government which are impacted by PFAS are eligible to participate in a brownfield site rehabilitation agreement regardless of contribution, etc.

Effective Date: 7/1/2020

# SB 492 (Cruz) Public Notification

- Public Notification of Pollution; Redefining the term “reportable pollution release”; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to publish certain notices received from the Department of Health or a local governmental entity on a website accessible to the public; requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to provide a written notice to certain homeowners via the United States Postal Service, etc.

Effective Date: 7/1/2020

# SB 40 (Radar) Plastic Bans

- Prohibition of Plastic Carryout Bags and Straws. Prohibiting a store or food service business from providing to a customer a carryout bag made of plastic film; prohibiting a food service business from selling or providing to a customer a single-use plastic straw, etc.

Effective Date: 7/1/2020

# SB 182 (Stewart) and HB 6043 (Grieco)

- Preemption of Recyclable and Polystyrene Materials. Deleting preemptions of local law relating to the regulation of auxiliary containers, wrappings, or disposable plastic bags; repealing the preemption of local laws regarding the use or sale of polystyrene products to the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, etc.

Effective Date: 7/1/2020

# SB 1722 (Taddeo) Recyclable Materials

- Requiring the Department of Environmental Protection to review and update a specified report on the regulation of certain auxiliary containers, wrappings, and disposable plastic bags; requiring submittal of the report to the Legislature by a specified date; prohibiting a local government, local governmental agency, or state government agency from enacting certain rules and regulations during a specified timeframe, etc.

Effective Date: 7/1/2020



# SB 50 (Radar) Beverage Container Deposits

- Beverage Container Deposits. Designating the “Florida Beverage Container Deposit Act”; establishing refund values for specified beverage containers; requiring dealers and consumers in this state to pay a deposit fee for specified beverage containers; prohibiting the establishment or operation of a redemption center unless it is registered with the Department of Environmental Protection; providing that distributors and dealers are not obligated to accept or take containers not originally sold in this state or to pay the refund value and handling fees for them, etc.

Effective Date: Upon becoming a law