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ENROLLED Senate Bill No. 349

(BY SENATOR DITTMAR)

[Passed March 11, 1995; in effect ninety days from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact section eight, article eleven, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to prohibition on the disposal of certain items; plans for the proper handling of said items required; rules required; report to be prepared and submitted; and extending for one year the implementation of the ban on the disposal of tires and yard waste.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section eight, article eleven, chapter twenty of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 11. WEST VIRGINIA RECYCLING PROGRAM.

§20-11-8. Prohibition on the disposal of certain items; plans for the proper handling of said items required.

- 1 (a) Effective the first day of June, one thousand nine
- 2 hundred ninety-four, it shall be unlawful to deposit
- 3 lead-acid batteries in a solid waste facility in West

4 Virginia; effective the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred ninety-six, it shall be unlawful to deposit 5 tires in a solid waste facility in West Virginia; and 6 7 effective the first day of January, one thousand nine 8 hundred ninety-seven, it shall be unlawful to deposit 9 yard waste, including grass clippings and leaves, in a 10 solid waste facility in West Virginia: Provided, That such prohibitions do not apply to a facility designed 11 specifically to compost such yard waste or otherwise 12 recycle or reuse such items: Provided, however, That 13 reasonable and necessary exceptions to such prohibitions 14 may be included as part of the rules promulgated pursu-15 ant to subsection (c) of this section. 16

(b) No later than the first day of May, one thousand 17^{\prime} nine hundred ninety-five, the solid waste management 18 board shall design a comprehensive program to provide 19 for the proper handling of yard waste and lead-acid 20 21 batteries. No later than the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred ninety-four, a comprehensive plan 22 23 shall be designed in the same manner to provide for the 24 proper handling of tires.

25 (c) No later than the first day of August, one thousand 26 nine hundred ninety-five, the division of environmental protection shall promulgate rules, in accordance with 27 28 chapter twenty-nine-a of this code, as amended, to 29 implement and enforce the program for yard waste and lead-acid batteries designed pursuant to subsection (b) 30 31 of this section. No later than the first day of August, one 32 thousand nine hundred ninety-four, the division of environmental protection shall promulgate rules, in 33 34 accordance with chapter twenty-nine-a of said code, as amended, to implement and enforce the program for tires 35 36 designed pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

37 (d) For the purposes of this section, "yard waste"
38 means grass clippings, weeds, leaves, brush, garden
39 waste, shrub or tree prunings and other living or dead
40 plant tissues, except that, such materials which, due to
41 inadvertent contamination or mixture with other sub-

stances which render the waste unsuitable for compost-42 43 ing, shall not be considered to be yard waste: *Provided*, That the same or similar waste generated by commercial 44 45 agricultural enterprises is excluded. • • • 46 (e) In promulgating the rules required by subsections (b) and (c) of this section, yard waste, as described in 47 subsection (d) of this section, the division shall provide 48 49 for the disposal of yard waste in a manner consistent 50 with one or any combination of the following: 51 (1) Disposal in a publicly or privately operated com-52 mercial or noncommercial composting facility. 53 (2) Disposal by composting on the property from which domestic yard waste is generated or on adjoining prop-54 erty or neighborhood property if consent is obtained 55 from the owner of the adjoining or neighborhood prop-56 57 erty. 58 (3) Disposal by open burning where such activity is not 59 prohibited by this code, rules promulgated hereunder or municipal or county codes or ordinances. 60

61 (4) Disposal in a publicly or privately operated landfill,
62 only where none of the foregoing options are available.
63 Such manner of disposal will involve only small quanti64 ties of domestic yard waste generated only from the

65 property of the participating resident or tenant.

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That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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