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CHAPTER 643

(House Bill 153)

AN ACT concerning

Recycled Paper - State Purchase

FOR the purpose of providing definitions for the terms "recycled paper" and "secondary waste material"; providing certain estimates for the purchase of certain amounts of recycled paper by this State; and renumbering as appropriate.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 41 - Governor-Executive and Administrative
Departments
Section 231-IA
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 231-IA of Article 41 - Governor-Executive and Administrative Departments, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 41 - Governor-Executive and Administrative Departments

231-IA.

- (A) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "RECYCLED PAPER" MEANS ANY PAPER PRODUCT WITH NOT LESS THAN 400 80 PERCENT OF ITS TOTAL WEIGHT CONSISTING OF SECONDARY WASTE MATERIALS.
- (B) "SECONDARY WASTE MATERIALS" MEANS FRAGMENTS, PRODUCTS, OR FINISHED PRODUCTS OF A MANUFACTURING PROCESS WHICH HAS CONVERTED A RAW MATERIAL INTO A COMMODITY OF REAL ECONOMIC VALUE, AND INCLUDES POST CONSUMER WASTE OF A TOTAL GROSS CONTENT OF AT LEAST 80 FERCENT.
- (c). The total paper purchase by the Secretary of General Services shall include recycled paper so that the total PURCHASE VOLUME of recycled paper PURCHASED by the State is not less than 5 percent by 1978, 25 percent by 1981, and 40 percent by 1985.