

Senate Bill 942

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires Oregon Department of Administrative Services to adopt plan and rules and state agencies to perform certain actions related to sustainability. Requires state agencies to reduce amount of paper purchased each year for internal operations, beginning on specified date.

Clarifies statutory requirements relating to state waste paper collection program.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to sustainability; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 459A.480.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

5 (a) "State agency" means any state board, commission or department, except those in
6 the legislative and judicial branches.

7 (b) "Sustainability" has the meaning given that term in ORS 184.421.

8 (2) The Legislative Assembly finds and declares that state agency internal operations
9 consume significant resources and supplies and that those operations should be conducted
10 in a manner that minimizes their negative impact on Oregon's environment, economy and
11 communities.

12 (3) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall adopt and annually update
13 a plan by which state agencies must implement the goals related to sustainability listed in
14 ORS 184.423. The plan must:

15 (a) Include strategies for creating a culture of sustainability for employees of state
16 agencies; and

17 (b) Establish guidelines for developing, monitoring and expanding sustainable operations
18 in state agencies, including guidelines for the sustainable use of state-owned facilities, vehi-
19 cles and information technology.

20 (4) To assist state agencies in achieving the goals listed in ORS 184.423, the department
21 shall:

22 (a) Provide state agency employees with information on sustainable practices, including
23 greenhouse gas reduction strategies, resource conservation strategies and the recycling
24 practices required in ORS 459A.480;

25 (b) Establish programs for training state agency employees on how to implement those
26 strategies and recycling practices; and

27 (c) Schedule and convene meetings between state agencies for the purpose of collaborat-
28 ing on sustainability programs and practices.

29 (5) Each state agency shall, in consultation with the department, create and maintain a
30 Green Team Program by which employees of the state agency may voluntarily organize for

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **the purpose of participating in activities related to sustainability.**

2 **SECTION 2.** (1) As used in this section, “state agency” means any state board, commis-
 3 sion or department, except those in the legislative and judicial branches.

4 (2) A state agency shall purchase during each calendar year at least 20 percent less paper
 5 for internal operations than the state agency purchased for internal operations during the
 6 2009 calendar year.

7 (3) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall adopt rules to implement
 8 this section.

9 **SECTION 3.** Section 2 of this 2011 Act applies to purchases of paper by a state agency
 10 made on or after July 1, 2015.

11 **SECTION 4.** ORS 459A.480 is amended to read:

12 459A.480. (1) For the [*current*] state waste paper collection program, the Oregon Department of
 13 Administrative Services[, *in consultation with the Department of Environmental Quality,*] shall provide
 14 participating locations with public awareness information and training to state and legislative em-
 15 ployees, including but not limited to the proper separation and disposal of recycled resources. Ad-
 16 ditionally, the [*Oregon Department of Administrative Services, in consultation with the Department of*
 17 *Environmental Quality,*] **department** shall provide training for personnel, including but not limited
 18 to state buildings and grounds personnel responsible for the collection of waste materials. [*This*
 19 *training shall include but is*] **The training must include, but need** not be limited to, educating and
 20 training the personnel [*concerning*] **on** the separation and collection of recyclable materials.

21 (2) The [*Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall continue the current*] **department**
 22 **shall administer a** state waste paper collection program for employees of state government, as de-
 23 fined in ORS 174.111. This program shall include recycling opportunities for office paper, corrugated
 24 cardboard, newsprint, beverage containers as defined in ORS 459A.700, container glass, mixed waste
 25 paper, plastic bottles, waste oil, clay-coated materials, batteries, toner and printer cartridges and
 26 any other material at the discretion of the Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative
 27 Services[, *in consultation with the Department of Environmental Quality*].

28 (3) The [*Oregon*] department [*of Administrative Services*] may:

29 (a) **Consult with the Department of Environmental Quality in implementing this section;**
 30 **and**

31 (b) Contract as necessary for the recycling of products returned under [*subsections (1) and (2)*
 32 *of*] this section.