

## Changes to SB 263-1 made by SB 263-4

SB 263-4 makes five changes in SB 263-1:

**1) The carpet recovery goal** is changed from 12% recovery by 2020 to 25% recovery by 2025. The change in the target date was requested by the Oregon Refuse and Recycling Association, who believed that it was not realistic to build the infrastructure needed to provide for substantial carpet recycling as early as 2020. See page 8, lines 27-29 of SB 263-4, and also new Sections 13a and 13b on page 10 of SB 263-4.

**2) The local wasteshed goals are clearly stated as being voluntary**, and DEQ is not authorized to require local opportunity to recycle programs to meet their goals. This confirms in statute DEQ's stated intention, and confirms other parts of SB 263 that delete reference to wasteshed goals when discussing the recycling opportunities required in cities and counties. See page 9, lines 9-13 of SB 263-4.

**3) Notification of to county commissions and city councils** will be required if DEQ seeks to update statutory wasteshed recovery goals in the future. In developing recovery goals for SB 263, DEQ requested ~~the each~~ local recycling wasteshed representative, usually a county representative, to develop the local process for recommending changes in the local waste recovery goal. In many cases the wasteshed representative involved a broader set of local affected persons in that discussion, but in some cases cities and elected officials were not fully involved. The Oregon Refuse and Recycling Association requested this change to make sure that elected officials know of, and have the option to be involved in, any efforts to update wasteshed recovery goals in the future. See page 9, lines 14-23 of SB 263-4.

**4) More examples are included of energy-saving measures** taken by the solid waste industry or others that can count towards a new alternative measure of energy savings for achieving the wasteshed recovery goal. Under SB 263, DEQ will develop a methodology by which wastesheds will be able to meet their local recovery goal by concentrating on and measuring results of directly conserving energy either by recovering more material or by other actions such as improving collection fleet efficiency or recovering energy from landfill gas. The amendments here are to clarify wording and provide additional examples. See page 9, line 24 through page 10, line 4 of SB 263-4.

**5) SB 263-4 requires a report to the 2019 Legislature on efforts to improve multitenant recycling**. Currently, for those cities of over 4,000 population or within the Metro area where curbside recycling is required, more than two-thirds of the residents of multitenant buildings are provided with regular recycling service. SB 263 will extend these recycling opportunities to all multitenant residents in those cities by July 1, 2022. In the interim, DEQ expects to be conducting substantial work gathering data, examining barriers, and developing best practices for improving recycling participation and reducing contamination. Some had expressed concern that with the target date set far in the future, nothing would be done to improve multitenant recycling until close to that date. Adding this reporting requirement for DEQ's Report to the Legislature for 2019 will provide the Legislature with a check-in on these efforts at roughly the half-way point towards the 2022 full implementation date. See the new Section 13c on page 11 of SB 263-4.

