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AN ACT to amend the state finance law, in relation to prohibiting the state from purchasing paper products that are non-recyclable

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The state finance law is amended by adding a new section 169 to read as follows:

S 169. PURCHASING RESTRICTIONS FOR NON-RECYCLABLE PAPER PRODUCTS. 1. DEFINITION. "NON-RECYCLABLE" SHALL MEAN MATERIAL THAT CANNOT BE SORTED, CLEANSED AND RECONSTITUTED USING AVAILABLE RECYCLING COLLECTION PROGRAMS FOR THE PURPOSE OF USING THE ALTERED FORM IN THE MANUFACTURE OF A NEW PRODUCT. RECYCLING DOES NOT INCLUDE BURNING, INCINERATING, CONVERTING, OR OTHERWISE THERMALLY DESTROYING SOLID WASTE.

2. PROHIBITION ON PURCHASE OF NON-RECYCLABLE PAPER PRODUCTS. THE STATE AND ANY GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION OF THE STATE SHALL NOT PURCHASE OR OBTAIN NON-RECYCLABLE PAPER PRODUCTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO, GOLDENROD PAPERS COATED WITH A DYE FOUND ON MASKING PAPER COMMONLY USED FOR INTEROFFICE AND MAILING ENVELOPES, AND KRAFT STATIONERY AND PAPER PRODUCTS, PRINTER PAPER, XEROGRAPHIC PAPER, STATIONERY, LETTERHEAD, NOTEPADS, BUSINESS CARDS OR ENVELOPES.

S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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