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Introduced by M. of A. COLTON, L. ROSENTHAL, SEAWRIGHT, DICKENS, RIVERA  
-- Multi-Sponsored by -- M. of A. COOK, DINOWITZ, WALKER -- read once  
and referred to the Committee on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to  
prohibiting any solid waste polluter from procuring solid waste public  
contracts

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assem-  
bly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The environmental conservation law is amended by adding a  
new section 71-2731 to read as follows:

§ 71-2731. Enforcement of solid waste pollution violations; prohibition  
of procurement of solid waste public contracts.

1. When used in this section:

a. "Solid waste" shall have the same meaning as defined in section  
27-0701 of this chapter.

b. "Procurement of a solid waste public contract" means any submission  
of bids, entrance into contractual relationships, and conduction of any  
contractual business with any public entity within the state, that deals  
with solid waste, including, but not limited to, any state or local  
board, agency, commission, department or authority.

2. Any person found guilty of a felony violation pursuant to section  
71-2703 of this title shall be prohibited from procuring any solid waste  
public contracts for the following periods:

a. After one violation, the prohibition period shall be five years  
following the date of the judgment, verdict, decision or order imposing  
such violation.

b. After two violations, the prohibition period shall be ten years  
following the date of the judgment, verdict, decision or order imposing  
such second violation. Such prohibition period shall be in addition to  
any other prohibition period already imposed pursuant to this section.

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

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1 c. After three or more violations, the violating person shall be  
2 permanently prohibited from procuring any solid waste public contracts.

3 3. Any person found guilty of a misdemeanor pursuant to section  
4 71-2703 of this title shall be prohibited from procuring any solid waste  
5 public contracts for the following periods:

6 a. After one violation, the prohibition period shall be one year  
7 following the date of the judgment, verdict, decision or order imposing  
8 such violation.

9 b. After two violations, the prohibition period shall be two years  
10 following the date of the judgment, verdict, decision or order imposing  
11 such second violation. Such prohibition period shall be in addition to  
12 any other prohibition period already imposed pursuant to this section.

13 c. After three or more violations, the prohibition period shall be  
14 five years following the date of the judgment, verdict, decision or  
15 order imposing such third violation and each subsequent violation there-  
16 after. Such prohibition period shall be in addition to any other prohi-  
17 bition period already imposed pursuant to this section.

18 4. Any person who has been found guilty of a violation pursuant to  
19 section 71-2703 of this title shall be prohibited from serving as a  
20 member of any board or other controlling body of any entity engaged in  
21 the business of solid waste removal and disposal.

22 5. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, this section  
23 shall remain applicable to any violating entity that reorganizes and  
24 incorporates as a new entity pursuant to title 11 of the United States  
25 Code.

26 6. Any prohibition period imposed by this section shall be in addition  
27 to any other penalty authorized by this chapter or any other law.

28 § 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred twentieth day after  
29 it shall have become a law. Effective immediately, the addition, amend-  
30 ment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary for the implemen-  
31 tation of this act on its effective date are authorized to be made and  
32 completed on or before such effective date.