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AN ACT to amend and reenact §22-15A-2 and §22-15A-22 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to prohibiting disposal of certain items in landfills; prohibiting the disposal of covered electronic devices; requiring the Solid Waste Management Board to create a program for the proper handling of certain items; and requiring the secretary to promulgate a rule to implement and enforce the disposal program.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §22-15A-2 and §22-15A-22 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 15A. THE A. JAMES MANCHIN REHABILITATION ENVIRON-MENTAL ACTION PLAN. Enr. Com. Sub. for Com. Sub. for S. B. No. 398] 2

§22-15A-2. Definitions.

- 1 Unless the context clearly indicates a different meaning
- 2 or defined elsewhere in this chapter, as used in this article:
- 3 (1) "Beneficial use" means the use or reuse of whole
- 4 waste tires or tire derived material which are reused in
- 5 constructing retaining walls, rebuilding highway shoul-
- 6 ders and subbase, building highway crash attenuation
- 7 barriers and other civil engineering applications, feed
- 8 hopper or watering troughs for livestock, other agricul-
- 9 tural uses approved by the Department of Environmental
- 10 Protection, playground equipment, boat or truck dock
- 11 construction, house or building construction, go-cart,
- 12 motorbike or race track barriers, recapping, alternative
- 13 daily cover or similar types of beneficial applications:
- 14 *Provided*, That waste tires may not be reused as fencing,
- 15 as erosion control structures, along stream banks or river
- 16 banks or reused in any manner where human health or the
- 17 environment, as determined by the Secretary of the
- 18 Department of Environmental Protection, is put at risk.
- 19 (2) "Brand" means the name, symbol, logo, trademark,
- 20 or other information that identifies a product rather than
- 21 the components of the product.
- 22 (3) "Collected for commercial purposes" means taking
- 23 solid waste for disposal from any person for remuneration
- 24 regardless of whether or not the person taking the solid
- 25 waste is a common carrier by motor vehicle governed by
- 26 article two, chapter twenty-four-a of this code.
- 27 (4) "Computer" means a desktop, personal computer or
- 28 laptop computer, including the computer monitor.
- 29 Computer does not include a personal digital assistant
- 30 device, computer peripheral devices such as a mouse or
- 31 other similar pointing device, a printer or a detachable
- 32 keyboard.

- 33 (5) "Court" means any circuit, magistrate or municipal court.
- 35 (6) "Covered electronic device" means a television,
- 36 computer or video display device with a screen that is
- 37 greater than four inches measured diagonally. "Covered
- 38 electronic device" does not include a video display device
- 39 that is part of a motor vehicle or that is contained within
- 40 a household appliance or commercial, industrial or
- 41 medical equipment.
- 42 (7) "Department" means the Department of Environ-
- 43 mental Protection.
- 44 (8) "Litter" means all waste material, including, but not
- 45 limited to, any garbage, refuse, trash, disposable package,
- 46 container, can, bottle, paper, covered electronic devices,
- 47 ashes, cigarette or cigar butt, carcass of any dead animal
- 48 or any part thereof or any other offensive or unsightly
- 49 matter, but not including the wastes of primary processes
- 50 of mining, logging, sawmilling, farming or manufacturing.
- 51 (9) "Litter receptacle" means those containers suitable
- 52 for the depositing of litter at each respective public area
- 53 designated by the secretary's rules promulgated pursuant
- 54 to subsection (e), section three of this article.
- 55 (10) "Manufacturer" means a person that is the brand
- 56 owner of a covered electronic device or television sold or
- 57 offered for sale in this state by any means, including
- 58 transactions conducted through retail sales outlets,
- 59 catalogs or the Internet.
- 60 (11) "Person" means a natural person, corporation, firm,
- 61 partnership, association or society and the plural as well
- 62 as the singular.
- 63 (12) "Public area" means an area outside of a municipal-
- 64 ity, including public road and highway rights-of-way,
- 65 parks and recreation areas owned or controlled by this

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- 66 state or any county of this state or an area held open for
- 67 unrestricted access by the general public.
- 68 (13) "Recyclable materials" means those materials that
- 69 would otherwise become solid waste for disposal in a
- 70 refuse disposal system and which may be collected,
- 71 separated or processed and returned to the marketplace in
- 72 the form of raw materials or products.
- 73 (14) "Remediate or remediation" means to remove all
- 74 litter, solid waste and tires located above grade at a site:
- 75 Provided, That remediation does not include clean up of
- 76 hazardous waste.
- 77 (15) "Television" means any telecommunication system
- 78 device that can receive moving pictures and sound broad-
- 79 cast over a distance and includes a television tuner or a
- 80 video display device peripheral to a computer in which the
- 81 display contains a television tuner.
- 82 (16) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Department
- 83 of Environmental Protection.
- 84 (17) "Video display device" means an electronic device
- 85 with an output surface that displays or is capable of
- 86 displaying moving graphical images or visual representa-
- 87 tions of image sequences or pictures that show a number
- 88 of quickly changing images on a screen to create the
- 89 illusion of motion. Video display device includes a device
- 90 that is an integral part of the display and cannot easily be
- 91 removed from the display by the consumer and that
- 92 produces the moving image on the screen. A "video
- 93 display device" may use a cathode-ray tube (CRT), liquid
- 94 crystaldisplay(LCD), gasplasma, digital light processing,
- 95 other image-projection technology or imaging display
- 96 technologies.
- 97 (18) "Waste tire" means any continuous solid or pneu-
- 98 matic rubber covering designed to encircle the wheel of a

- 99 vehicle but which has been discarded, abandoned or is no
- 100 longer suitable for its original, intended purpose nor
- 101 suitable for recapping, or other beneficial use because of
- 102 wear, damage or defect. A tire is no longer considered to
- 103 be suitable for its original intended purpose when it fails
- 104 to meet the minimum requirements to pass a West Virginia
- 105 motor vehicle safety inspection. Used tires located at a
- 106 commercial recapping facility or tire dealer for the
- 107 purpose of being reused or recapped are not waste tires.
- 108 (19) "Waste tire monofill or monofill" means an ap-
- 109 proved solid waste facility where no solid waste except
- 110 waste tires are placed for the purpose of long term storage
- 111 for eventual retrieval for marketing purposes.
- 112 (20) "Waste tire processing facility" means a solid waste
- 113 facility or manufacturer that accepts waste tires generated
- 114 by sources other than the owner or operator of the facility
- 115 for processing by such means as cryogenics, pyrolysis,
- 116 pyroprossing cutting, splitting, shredding, quartering,
- 117 grinding or otherwise breaking down waste tires for the
- 118 purposes of disposal, reuse, recycling and/or marketing.
- 119 (21) "Waters of the state" means generally, without
- 120 limitation, natural or artificial lakes, rivers, streams,
- 121 creeks, branches, brooks, ponds, impounding reservoirs,
- 122 springs, wells, watercourses and wetlands.
- 123 (22) "Yard waste" means grass clippings, weeds, leaves,
- 124 brush, garden waste, shrub or tree prunings and other
- 125 living or dead plant tissues, except that materials, which
- 126 due to inadvertent contamination or mixture with other
- 127 substances which render the waste unsuitable for com-
- 128 posting, are not yard waste: *Provided*, That the same or
- 129 similar waste generated by commercial agricultural
- 130 enterprises is excluded.

§22-15A-22. Prohibition on the disposal of certain items; plans for the proper handling of said items required.

- 1 (a) It is unlawful to dispose of lead-acid batteries in a 2 solid waste landfill in West Virginia.
- 3 (b) It is unlawful to dispose of tires in a solid waste
- 4 landfill in West Virginia except for waste tires collected as
- 5 part of the department's waste tire remediation projects or
- 6 other collection efforts in accordance with the provisions
- 7 of this article or the pollution prevention program and
- 8 open dump program or other state-authorized remediation
- 9 or clean up programs: Provided,
- 10 That waste tires may be disposed of in solid waste landfills
- 11 only when the state agency authorizing the remediation or
- 12 clean up program has determined there is no reasonable
- 13 alternative available.
- 14 (c) It is unlawful to dispose of yard waste in a solid
- 15 waste facility in West Virginia: Provided, That the prohi-
- 16 bitions do not apply to a facility designed specifically to
- 17 compost yard waste or otherwise recycle or reuse yard
- 18 waste: Provided, however, That reasonable and necessary
- 19 exceptions to the prohibitions may be included as part of
- 20 the rules promulgated pursuant to subsection (f).
- 21 (d) Effective January 1, 2011, covered electronic devices,
- 22 as defined in section two of this article, may not be
- 23 disposed of in a solid waste landfill in West Virginia.
- 24 (e) The Solid Waste Management Board shall design a
- 25 comprehensive program to provide for the proper handling
- 26 of yard waste, lead-acid batteries, tires and covered
- 27 electronic devices.
- 28 (f) The secretary shall promulgate rules, in accordance
- 29 with chapter twenty-nine-a of this code, to implement and
- 30 enforce the program for yard waste, lead-acid batteries,

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- 31 tires and covered electronic devices designed pursuant to
- 32 subsection (d).
- 33 (g) The secretary's rule shall provide for the disposal of
- 34 yard waste in a manner consistent with one or any combi-
- 35 nation of the following:
- 36 (1) Disposal in a publicly or privately operated commer-
- 37 cial or noncommercial composting facility;
- 38 (2) Disposal by composting on the property from which
- 39 domestic yard waste is generated or on adjoining property
- 40 or neighborhood property if consent is obtained from the
- 41 owner of the adjoining or neighborhood property;
- 42 (3) Disposal by open burning, where not prohibited; or
- 43 (4) Disposal in a publicly or privately operated landfill,
- 44 only where none of the foregoing options are available.
- 45 The manner of disposal shall only involve small quantities
- 46 of domestic yard waste generated only from the property
- 47 of the participating resident or tenant.



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