

# SENATE BILL No. 854

December 2, 2003, Introduced by Senator BIRKHOLZ and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs.

A bill to amend 1994 PA 451, entitled "Natural resources and environmental protection act," (MCL 324.101 to 324.90106) by adding part 174.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           **PART 174. STATEWIDE RECYCLING COORDINATOR**

2           Sec. 17401. As used in this part:

3           (a) "Department" means the department of environmental  
4 quality.

5           (b) "Director" means the director of the department.

6           (c) "Recycling advisory council" means the recycling advisory  
7 council created in section 17302.

8           Sec. 17402. (1) The office of the statewide recycling  
9 coordinator is created in the department.

10           (2) The statewide recycling coordinator shall be appointed by  
11 the director and serve at the director's pleasure. The statewide

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1 recycling coordinator shall receive compensation as determined by  
2 the director and shall be reimbursed for all traveling and other  
3 expenses incurred by him or her in the discharge of his or her  
4 official duties. The department, as recommended by the statewide  
5 recycling coordinator, may employ assistants and make  
6 expenditures necessary to implement this part and perform the  
7 powers and duties of the statewide recycling coordinator.

8 Sec. 17403. The statewide recycling coordinator shall do  
9 all of the following:

10 (a) In conjunction with the recycling advisory council,  
11 establish a method for regular review of local recycling programs  
12 in this state.

13 (b) Gather information about recycling processes, markets,  
14 and rates.

15 (c) As required by the legislature, conduct and submit a  
16 study of the capacity of this state to handle material recovered  
17 for recycling, the feasibility of collecting and transporting  
18 material for recycling in this state, and the ability of this  
19 state to sustain markets for products containing recycled  
20 content.

21 (d) As required by the legislature, submit recommendations  
22 for improving and expanding recycling in this state.

23 (e) Perform any other duties imposed by law or the director.

24 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take  
25 effect unless Senate Bill No. 790 of the 92nd Legislature is  
26 enacted into law.