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COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 2754

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY TO
2 MAINTAIN A DIRECTORY OF CERTIFIED ELECTRONIC RECYCLERS; TO REQUIRE
3 STATE AGENCIES TO USE CERTIFIED ELECTRONIC RECYCLERS FOR DISPOSAL
4 OF E-WASTE AND RECYCLABLE ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT; AND FOR RELATED
5 PURPOSES.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

7 **SECTION 1.** As used in this act:

8 (a) "Electronics" means a personal computer, computer
9 component, audio player, videocassette player, facsimile machine,
10 copy machine, cellular telephone, wireless paging device, or any
11 electronic item containing an intact or broken cathode-ray tube.

12 An electronic item containing a cathode-ray tube includes a
13 television, computer monitor, or any other cathode-ray tube
14 monitor or display device.

15 (b) "Recycler" means a person who uses, reuses or
16 reclaims obsolete electronic equipment and associated materials.

17 **SECTION 2.** (1) The Department of Environmental Quality
18 shall develop a program to encourage all electronic recyclers to
19 become certified by demonstrating to an accredited, independent



20 third-party auditor that they meet specific standards to safely
21 recycle and manage electronic equipment.

22 (2) The department shall maintain a directory of recyclers
23 meeting the accredited certification standards of Responsible
24 Recycling Practices (R2) and the e-Stewards Standards and any
25 recyclers who have been certified by an accredited, independent
26 certification auditor listed by the ANSI-ASQ National
27 Accreditation Board (ANAB) as an organization that certifies
28 recyclers to available recycling standards.

29 (3) State agencies shall use a certified recycler on the
30 directory for the disposal of agency electronics.

31 (4) The Department of Environmental Quality and state
32 agencies shall comply with this section no later than July 1,
33 2014.

34 (5) This section does not apply to the donation of
35 electronics to public schools, state agencies, local governments
36 or nonprofit organizations.

37 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
38 and after July 1, 2013.

