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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SEPTEMBER 8, 2015

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AN ACT

1 Amending the act of July 28, 1988 (P.L.556, No.101), entitled  
2 "An act providing for planning for the processing and  
3 disposal of municipal waste; requiring counties to submit  
4 plans for municipal waste management systems within their  
5 boundaries; authorizing grants to counties and municipalities  
6 for planning, resource recovery and recycling; imposing and  
7 collecting fees; establishing certain rights for host  
8 municipalities; requiring municipalities to implement  
9 recycling programs; requiring Commonwealth agencies to  
10 procure recycled materials; imposing duties; granting powers  
11 to counties and municipalities; authorizing the Environmental  
12 Quality Board to adopt regulations; authorizing the  
13 Department of Environmental Resources to implement this act;  
14 providing remedies; prescribing penalties; establishing a  
15 fund; and making repeals," in recycling and waste reduction,  
16 further providing for municipal implementation of recycling  
17 programs.

18 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
19 hereby enacts as follows:

20 Section 1. Section 1501(a) of the act of July 28, 1988  
21 (P.L.556, No.101), known as the Municipal Waste Planning,  
22 Recycling and Waste Reduction Act, is amended to read:

23 Section 1501. Municipal implementation of recycling programs.

24 (a) Large population.--Within two years after the effective  
25 date of this act, each municipality other than a county that has

1 a population of 10,000 or more people, and which has a  
2 population density of more than 500 people per square mile,  
3 shall establish and implement a source-separation and collection  
4 program for recyclable materials in accordance with this  
5 section. Population shall be determined by the most recent  
6 decennial census by the Bureau of the Census of the United  
7 States Department of Commerce.

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9 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.