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H 1288. PLASTIC BAGS RECYCLING. Filed 4/8/09. *TO REQUIRE CERTAIN RETAILERS IN THE STATE TO IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM TO RECYCLE THE PLASTIC BAGS PROVIDED TO CUSTOMERS.*

As title indicates. Effective January 1, 2010, amends GS 130A-309.10 (Prohibited acts relating to packaging; coded labeling of plastic containers required; disposal of certain solid wastes in landfills or by incineration prohibited) to: (1) increase the state recycling goal from 25 percent to 75 percent of plastic bags provided at retail outlets to retail customers for carrying items purchased and (2) require a retailer that owns or controls more than 10,000 square feet of retail space in the State and provides retail customers plastic bags for carrying items purchased to: (a) implement a plastic bag collection program to facilitate recycling; (b) provide a clearly marked receptacle for the collection of plastic bags; and (c) arrange for the pickup, transport, and recycling of plastic bags deposited in the collection receptacles.

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