

## **Recent Illinois Legislation Relating to Environmentally-Preferable Purchasing**

### **PA 95-0084 – Green Cleaning in Schools Act**

- Requires all Illinois schools to use green cleaning products
- Cleaning formulas must have been certified by Green Seal or EcoLogo or recommended by U.S. EPA's Design for the Environment (DfE)
- Effective 8/13/07

### **PA 95-0104 – Energy Star lighting in State facilities**

- Effective 1/01/08, all 1,000+ sq. feet owned and leased State buildings must use Energy Star labeled light bulbs, where practicable.

### **PA 95-0115 – Regulation of Phosphorus in Detergents Act**

- Effective 7/01/10, no person may use, sell, manufacture, or distribute for sale any cleaning agent containing more than 0.5% phosphorus by weight, expressed as elemental phosphorus, in Illinois, with certain exceptions.

### **PA 96-0073 – Green Buildings Act**

- New State-funded building construction and major renovations of less than 10,000 square feet must meet the highest standard of LEED's rating system. USGBC LEED, GBI Green Globes, or the equivalent certification is not required.
- New State-funded buildings and major renovations of 10,000 square feet or more must achieve the LEED silver building rating. USGBC LEED, GBI Green Globes or the equivalent certification IS required.
- Effective 7/24/09.

### **PA 96-0074 – Amends the Green Governments Illinois Act**

- Requires that CMS designates a single point of contact for environmentally preferable purchasing inquires.
- Effective 7/24/09.

### **PA 96-0075 – Green Cleaning in State Facilities**

- Extends the guidelines and specifications for the Green Cleaning Schools Act to apply to state-owned buildings.
- Effective 7/24/09.

### **PA 96-0077 – Use of Compost at State Facilities**

- Requires all State agencies to use, to the maximum extent feasible, compost materials in all land maintenance activities that are to be paid for with public funds.

- Effective 7/24/09.

#### **PA 96-0197 – Environmentally Preferable Procurement**

- Defines environmentally preferable supplies and services (recycled content, non-toxic, waste-minimizing, and energy-efficient).
- Requires the State to contract for environmentally preferable supplies and services unless that would impose an undue economic or practical hardship, or unless the environmentally preferable supply or service does not meet performance standards.
- Specifications for contracts may include a price preference of up to 10% for environmentally preferable supplies or services.
- Makes changes in the preferences for recycled materials and paper.
- Effective January 1, 2010

#### **PA 96-0281 – Biodiesel Blends**

- Increases the percentage of biodiesel blend required to be used by a diesel powered vehicle owned by the State or units of local government of the State when refueling at a bulk central fueling facility from 2% to 5%.
- Effective 8/11/09.

#### **PA 96-0393 – Low Mercury, Energy-Efficient Lamps and Ballasts**

- Requires the Department of Central Management Services, in collaboration with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity and the IL Environmental Protection Agency, to review and revise procurement specifications for lamps and ballasts purchased by the State.
- Effective 8/13/09.

#### **PA 96-0579 – Procurement of Locally Grown Foods**

- Establishes local food procurement goals for State agencies to purchase 20% of their food locally by 2020. State-funded institutions such as schools would have a goal of 10% by 2020.
- Creates a local food purchase preference for state food buyers that allows them to pay a premium of up to 10% above the lowest bid in order to purchase locally grown foods.

#### **PA 96-0959 – Electronic Products Recycling and Reuse Act**

- Sets forth procedures by which the recycling and processing for use of covered electronic devices will be accomplished in Illinois.
- The Department of Central Management Services shall ensure that bid specifications and master contracts for the purchase or lease of desktop computers, laptop or notebook computers, and computer monitors require that the electronic products have a Bronze performance tier or higher registration under the Electronic Product Environmental Assessment Tool (EPEAT) operated by the Green Electronics Council.

- CMS shall ensure that bid specifications and master contracts for the purchase or lease of televisions and printers by State agencies require that the televisions have a Bronze performance tier or higher registration under EPEAT if the Department determines that there are an adequate number of the televisions registered under EPEAT to provide a sufficiently competitive bidding environment.
- Effective January 1, 2010.