

State By State E-Waste Law Summary

E-Waste Laws Passed and Legislation Being Considered In 2011

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| State | E-Waste Recycling Bills Introduced in 2011 | Scope of Products Covered by bill | Links to Laws passed or Bill Status |
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| | Blue shading indicates recycling program laws or landfill ban laws already in effect | | |
| | Yellow shading indicates a bill is under consideration in 2011. | | |
| Alabama | | | |
| Alaska | | | |
| Arizona | HB 2425 (Farley) Producer responsibility | Computer, laptop, TV, monitor | Introduced 1/24/2011 |
| Arkansas | HB 1405 (Webb) Assesses fees on manufacturers to reimburse regional solid waste management boards for costs of recycling covered products. Manufacturers pay a fee of 30 cents/lb for total prior year sales. They receive a 30 cents/lb credit for the weight collected in the same year. | Computer, laptop, TV, monitor | Introduced 2/15/11 |
| | Disposal Ban: Authorized but not implemented. Passed authorization to ban on computers and electronics in landfills in 2005. Effective 2008, but state never acted to authorize it. | | |
| California | Recycling Law In Effect: ARF recycling program law passed 2004 for TVs and Monitors. Consumers pay fee at purchase of covered products. Fee goes into state recycling fund, used to reimburse recyclers. Implemented Jan 2005. Portable DVD players added to scope. | TVs, Monitors, Portable DVD players. | |
| | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: Passed in 2002. Universal waste added to scope in 2006. MOST COMPREHENSIVE LANDFILL BAN OF ANY US STATE | | |
| Colorado | HB 11-1244 Mild producer responsibility with disposal ban. | | Intro 2.7.2011 2/24/2011 Postponed indefinitely |
| Connecticut | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed Producer Responsibility bill in 2007. Program begins collection on July 1, 2009. | Televisions, desktop computers, monitors and laptops | Link to bill Link to State site. |
| | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: E-waste law included disposal ban effective 2011. | | |
| Delaware | | | |

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| Florida | | | |
| Georgia | 2009: Senate passed a resolution Resolution 83 to create a senate study committee which would make recommendations by Dec 15, 2009. Committee was not appointed. | | |
| Hawaii | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed Producer responsibility for computers in 2008. Computer manufacturers must register and submit plans for takeback and recycling. Creates task force to look at covering Televisions. 2009 – passed law establishing producer responsibility for TVs (not included in 2008 law) | Computer, monitor, laptop, printer. (NOT televisions) | 2008 SB2483 . 2009: HB 1809 |
| | Landfill ban: No ban passed for Hawaii. | | |
| Idaho | | | |
| Illinois | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed Producer responsibility law in 2008 using both return and market share <u>Scope for figuring manufacturer obligation:</u> Computers, laptops, TVs, monitors, printers. <u>Scope for free collection:</u> TVs, monitors, laptops, desktops, mobile phone, computer cable, keyboard, mouse, fax, MP3 player, PDA, video game console, VCR, DVD player, zip drive and scanner | Scope for figuring manufacturer obligation is different than scope for free collection. See left. This is broadest scope of products of any US state. | Link to law |
| | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: Recycling bill includes a landfill ban effective on Jan 2012. | | |
| | Bill to amend existing law. | SB02106 | Passed committee 3/17/11 |
| Indiana | Recycling Law In Effect: Producer responsibility bill, based on Minnesota law, requiring manufacturers to recycle quantities based on what they are selling into the state. Applies to households, schools and small businesses. Includes disposal ban on computers, monitors, TVs, printers. | Scope for figuring obligation: TVs, monitors, laptops. Scope for free recycling to consumers: computer, peripheral, fax, DVD player, VCR, or video display device that is sold to a household | HB 1589 . |
| | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: Recycling bill includes a landfill ban. | | |

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| Iowa | | | |
| Kansas | | | |
| Kentucky | | | |
| Louisiana | | | |
| Maine | Recycling Law In Effect: Producer Responsibility bill passed in 2004. Collection program began in Jan 2006. This was first producer responsibility bill to be passed in the US. 2009: Bill expanded law to include printers, digital picture frames, video games. | TVs, monitors, Laptops. Doesn't cover CPUs unless attached to monitors. | Link to chaptered law |
| | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: Recycling law bans putting CRTs in landfills eff. July 2006. | | |
| Maryland | Recycling: Passed 5 year pilot program for Producer Responsibility . Law passed in 2005 In 2007 program made permanent | Monitors, CPUs, laptops. Televisions added in 2007 | Link to chaptered law. |
| Massachusetts | HB 232 (Koczera) HB 266 (Straus) Both Producer responsibility | Computer, laptop, monitor, TV. HB 232 also includes printer, scanner, keyboard, mouse | Introduced 1/18/2011 Both bills to be heard in Joint committee 5/4/11 |
| | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: Ban on landfill or incineration of CRTs in effect since 2000. | | |
| Michigan | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed Mild Producer Responsibility in 2008. Manufacturers must implement takeback programs as a condition of selling in state (similar to Dell language). | Computer, laptop, monitor, display devices (TVs) | Link to bill |
| | Disposal Ban: None | | |
| Mississippi | SB2660 Bill addressed agency owned computers only | | February 1 2011 - Died In |

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| Missouri | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed Mild Producer Responsibility law for computers only (not televisions) – Dell Model Bill. Program begins on July 1 2009 or later (depending on when rules are finished.) | Computers Only, NOT televisions | SB720 |
| | Disposal Ban: None | | |
| Minnesota | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: Ban on land filling CRTs went into effect July 2006. | | |
| | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed Producer Responsibility bill in 2007, using market share to determine manufacturers’ share. Manufacturers have specific goals tied to sales volumes in the state. Collection began in August 2007. | Computers, peripherals, fax machines, scanners, DVD players, VCRs, and video display devices. | Link to bill |
| Montana | | | |
| Nebraska | LB 626 (Mello). Manufacturers pay fees (\$1000 - \$20,000) to state based on sales of covered devices. Fee can be reduced if manufacturer recycles products. State uses fees to contract for e-waste collection and recycling, education. Note: Legislature passed mild producer responsibility bill in 2008 which was vetoed by Governor. | Computers, monitors, laptops, tvs | Introduced 1/19/2011 Referred to committee 1/21/11 Hearing scheduled 3/9/11 |
| Nevada | Bill in 2009 (passed and signed by Governor) requires state agency to do a study and issue at least one recommendation to the legislature, when it reconvenes in 2011. No regular legislative session in 2010. | | |
| New Hampshire | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: Passed law in 2006 to prohibit putting video display devices in landfills or incinerators as of July 2007. In 2009 passed HB 338 to expand list of what can’t go into landfills, to include video display media recorders, players, and computers. | | |
| | Recycling Law: None | | |
| New Jersey | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed Producer Responsibility Bill law in Jan 2008 based on Return share. | Desktop computer, laptop, monitors, TVs | Final bill language . State agency website . |

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| | Amended bill passed in Nov 2008, signed by Governor Jan 2009. | | |
| | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: Was passed as part of recycling bill. Effective Jan 2012. | | |
| New Mexico | | | |
| New York State | Strong producer responsibility law passed in 2010 | Computer, laptop, monitor, TV, small electronics (portable music player, VCR, DVD, DVR, digital converter box, cable or satellite receiver, video game console), computer peripherals (printer, keyboard, mouse, fax, scanner) and attached cables, cords, and wiring. | |
| New York CITY | <p>Recycling Law In Effect: New York City passed a Producer Responsibility law in 2008, which was then split into 2 laws: One established the takeback program (Intro 728). The other established mandatory goals for the manufacturers (Intro 729). Both passed the Council. The Mayor signed Int 728, but vetoed the bill with goals (Int 729). The Council voted to override his veto on May 14, 2008.</p> <p>Disposal Ban Law In Effect: was included in bill, effective July 1, 2010.</p> | Computers, TVs, monitors, laptops, portable music players, keyboards, mice, video display devices over 4" | City is currently in rulemaking on this law. |
| North Carolina | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed a producer responsibility bill in 2007(for computers, not TVs) in 2007, but then passed additional legislation in 2008 adding TVs and delaying implementation for one year, to 2010. | Computer, monitor, laptop, scanner, printer. TVs added in 2008. | State agency e-waste site . |

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| | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: included in that law effective 2012. Bans e-waste from landfills and incinerators. | | |
| North Dakota | | | |
| Ohio | | | |
| Oklahoma | In 2008, Passed Mild producer responsibility for computers, but NOT TV's. (Dell model bill.) | Computers, Monitors, laptops, NOT TVs. | SB 1631 |
| Oregon | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed Producer Responsibility law in 2007 similar to Washington State law. Companies may develop own plans, or participate in central plan. Collection program began on Jan 1, 2009 | Desktops, laptops, monitors, TVs. | Link to law. Link to agency website. |
| | Program modification: In 2010 Oregon passed amending legislation, HB 3606, which changes the way return shares (minimum recycling obligations) are determined for all TV manufacturers from return share to market share. It also changes how TV manufacturers in the state contractor program (SCP) are assessed their recycling fees. | | Pending governor signature. |
| | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: included in law, effective 2012. | | |
| Penn | Producer responsibility bill passed in 2010 | Computers, monitors, laptops, television | Law |
| Rhode Island | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: Passed law in 2006 that prohibits putting computers, laptops, monitors, TVs, or other video display devices in landfills, as of July 1, 2008. Recycling law (below) delayed it until Feb 1, 2009. Bans Desktops, notebooks, monitors, televisions from landfills and incinerators. | | |
| | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed Producer Responsibility using return share in 2008. Collection program began on Feb 1, 2009. | Desktops, notebooks, monitors, televisions. | Link to State agency website Link to state law. |
| South Carolina | Mild producer responsibility bill based on the Dell bill model passed in 2010. | | Law |

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| S Dakota | | | |
| Tenn | | | |
| Texas | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed producer responsibility bill for computers (NOT TV's) in 2007. (Dell bill language) A bill to add TVs was passed in 2009, but vetoed by Governor Rick Perry. | Desktop, laptop, monitors, but NOT TVs. | Texas agency e-waste website . |
| | SB 329 (Watson) Bill to cover televisions for recycling. | Televisions | Introduced 1/11/11 Passed Senate. Sent to House 3/29/11 |
| Utah | SB 184 (Urquhart). Modest producer responsibility | Computer, laptop, monitor, TV, printer, scanner, keyboard, mouse, copier. | Signed by governor 3/22/2011 |
| Vermont | Producer responsibility law passed April 2010 | Different scope for figuring obligation and for recycling. See left. | http://www.leg.state.vt.us/docs/2010/Acts/ACT079.pdf |
| Virginia | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed Mild Producer Responsibility – Dell model bill. NOT TVs | Desktops, laptops, monitors, but NOT TVs | Chapter |
| | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: Passed Disposal Ban in 2008. Permits localities to ban CRTs from landfills if that jurisdiction has an adequate CRT recycling program. | CRTs | Chapter |
| Washington State | Recycling Law In Effect: Producer Responsibility law passed in 2006. Program began Jan 1, 2009 Disposal ban: Not statewide, but some counties have enacted bans. | Computers, laptops, monitors, TVs. | Link to WA law Link to overview of Year 1 results. |
| West VA | Recycling Law In Effect: Passed Mild Producer Responsibility in 2008. Manufacturers must develop recycling programs. Manufacturers pay registration fees into State fund, used to reimburse counties and municipalities for recycling programs and admin costs. | Desktops, laptops, monitors, TVs. | SB 746 |
| Wisconsin | Recycling Law In Effect: Producer responsibility bill based on Minnesota model (goals | Computers, laptops, monitors, TVs, printers. | Introduced March 11. Committee hearing 4/14. |

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| | based on Market share) passed in 2009. | | |
| | Disposal Ban Law In Effect: Included disposal ban in bill above. | | |
| Wyoming | | | |

“Producer responsibility” bills require the manufacturers to pay for collection and recycling.

“ARF” or Advanced Recovery Fee bills require consumers to pay a fee at purchase to cover recycling costs, and manufacturers have no responsibility.

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