

**115A.48 MARKET DEVELOPMENT FOR RECYCLABLE MATERIALS AND COMPOST.**

Subdivision 1. **Authority.** The commissioner shall assist and encourage the development of specific facilities, services, and uses needed to provide adequate, stable, and reliable markets for recyclable materials, solid waste suitable for land application, and compost generated in the state. In carrying out this duty, the commissioner shall coordinate and cooperate with the solid waste management efforts of other public agencies and political subdivisions.

Subd. 2. [Repealed, 1996 c 470 s 29]

Subd. 3. **Public procurement.** The commissioner shall provide technical assistance and advice to political subdivisions and other public agencies to encourage solid waste reduction and development of markets for recyclable materials and compost through procurement policies and practices. Political subdivisions, educational institutions, and other public agencies shall aggressively pursue procurement practices that encourage solid waste reduction, recycling, and development of markets for recyclable materials and compost and shall, whenever practical, procure products containing recycled materials.

Subd. 4. **Land application of solid waste.** The commissioner shall provide technical assistance and advice to political subdivisions on separating portions of the waste stream such as leaves, grass, clippings, tree and plant residue, and paper for application and mixing into the soil and for use in agricultural practices.

Subd. 5. [Repealed, 1996 c 470 s 29]

**History:** 1987 c 348 s 17; 1988 c 685 s 11; 1989 c 131 s 4-6; 1989 c 335 art 1 s 269; 1Sp1989 c 1 art 18 s 10,11; 1994 c 639 art 5 s 3; 1Sp2005 c 1 art 2 s 161