

**NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 451 of 1994**  
Part 143  
**WASTE MINIMIZATION**

**324.14301 Definitions.**

Sec. 14301.

As used in this part:

- (a) "Department" means the department of environmental quality.
- (b) "Environmental wastes" means all environmental pollutants, wastes, discharges, and emissions, regardless of how they are regulated and regardless of whether they are released to the general environment or the workplace environment.
- (c) "Pollution prevention" means all of the following:
  - (i) "Source reduction" as defined in the pollution prevention act of 1990, subtitle G of title VI of the omnibus budget reconciliation act of 1990, Public Law 101-508, 42 U.S.C. 13101 to 13109.
  - (ii) "Pollution prevention" as described in the United States environmental protection agency's pollution prevention statement dated June 15, 1993.
  - (iii) Environmentally sound on-site or off-site reuse or recycling.

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**324.14302 Pollution prevention; incorporation; purpose; personnel and support staff.**

Sec. 14302.

- (1) The department shall incorporate pollution prevention goals within its regulatory and permit programs, including data collection and analysis to advance the concept and implementation of pollution prevention.
- (2) The department shall employ personnel and provide support staff as are necessary to implement this part.

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**324.14303 Pollution prevention; duties of department; emphasis on in-plant pollution prevention and reduction of hazardous waste.**

Sec. 14303.

- (1) The department shall do all of the following:
  - (a) Identify opportunities to encourage pollution prevention through the department's regulatory programs.
  - (b) Identify opportunities to encourage pollution prevention through the department's permit programs.
  - (c) Identify how pollution prevention efforts should be documented in environmental impact statements.
  - (d) Analyze and make recommendations on the value of imposing statewide goals or goals for particular environmental wastes, or both, for pollution prevention, minimum recycling standards, and environmental waste treatment standards.
  - (e) Publish an annual analysis of pollution prevention efforts and potentials in the state.
- (2) In performing its responsibilities under subsection (1), the department shall place a particular emphasis on in-

plant pollution prevention.

(3) Consistent with the congressional declaration in section 1003(b) of subtitle A of the solid waste disposal act, title II of Public Law 89-272, 42 U.S.C. 6902, that it is the national policy of the United States that, wherever feasible, hazardous waste is to be reduced or eliminated as expeditiously as possible, the department shall place a particular emphasis on the prevention of an environmental waste that is a hazardous waste as defined in section 11103.

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### **324.14304 Transmitting certain information.**

Sec. 14304.

The department shall assure that relevant information received under section 313 of subtitle B of the emergency planning and community right-to-know act of 1986, title III of the superfund amendments and reauthorization act of 1986, Public Law 99-499, 42 U.S.C. 11023, is transmitted to the department.

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### **324.14305 Repealed. 1998, Act 289, Imd. Eff. July 27, 1998.**

**Compiler's Notes:** The repealed section pertained to providing information to waste reduction assistance service and department of commerce liaison.

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### **324.14306 Annual report.**

Sec. 14306.

The department shall prepare and deliver, before January 1 of each year, a report detailing the efforts the department has undertaken during the previous fiscal year to implement this part. The annual report shall be delivered to the legislature, the governor, and the chairpersons of the appropriations committees in the senate and the house of representatives for their use in evaluating future appropriations for the department to implement this part. The annual report may include the information generated pursuant to sections 14303 and 14304 and may recommend changes in policies and regulatory approaches that will encourage pollution prevention.

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