

THE MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 431 of 1984

18.1261b Purchase of recycled paper; phase-in period; directives; label; records; definitions.

Sec. 261b.

(1) In addition to the requirements of section 261, to the extent available, all paper products purchased or contracted for by the department shall be made from recycled paper, if the cost is not greater than 110% of the cost of paper that does not contain recycled fibers. The purchase of recycled paper shall be phased in over a 3-year period pursuant to the following percentages:

Year	Percentage of total paper purchased	Percentage of wastepaper contained in recycled paper
1989	30%	25
1990	40%	35
1991 and each year thereafter	50%	50

(2) The directives of the department issued under section 261(2) that apply to the procurement of paper products shall require that all paper products, to the extent available, purchased or contracted for by the department shall be made from recycled paper to comply with the 3-year phase-in requirements provided for in this section.

(3) The department shall investigate whether it is feasible and desirable to require that recycled paper products purchased by the department be labeled as being made of recycled paper.

(4) The department shall maintain records to document by commodity type recycled paper purchased or contracted for by the department.

(5) As used in this section and section 273:

(a) "Recycled paper" means a paper product that contains not less than 25% wastepaper in 1989, 35% wastepaper in 1990, and 50% wastepaper in 1991 and each year thereafter.

(b) "Wastepaper" means discarded paper that is generated after the completion of the paper manufacturing process, and includes, but is not limited to, trimmings, printed paper, cutting and converting paper, and post-consumer paper. Wastepaper does not include mill broke or other in-plant residual wastes.

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