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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION - TAXATION OF BEVERAGE CONTAINERS, HARD-TO-DISPOSE MATERIAL AND LITTER CONTROL PARTICIPATION PERMITTEE

Introduced By: Senator Ryan W. Pearson

Date Introduced: March 14, 2019

Referred To: Senate Environment & Agriculture

(by request)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1	SECTION 1. The title of Chapter 44-44 of the General Laws entitled "Taxation of
2	Beverage Containers, Hard-to-Dispose Material and Litter Control Participation Permittee" is
3	hereby amended to read as follows:
4	CHAPTER 44-44
5	Taxation of Beverage Containers, Hard-to-Dispose Material and Litter Control Participation
6	Permittee Permittee
7	CHAPTER 44-44
8	TAXATION OF BEVERAGE CONTAINERS, AND LITTER CONTROL PARTICIPATION
9	<u>PERMITTEE</u>
10	SECTION 2. Section 44-44-3.7 of the General Laws in Chapter 44-44 entitled "Taxation
11	of Beverage Containers, Hard-to-Dispose Material and Litter Control Participation Permittee" is
12	hereby repealed.
13	44-44-3.7. Imposition of tax on hard-to-dispose material.
14	(a) There shall be levied and imposed a tax of five cents (\$0.05) per quart (32 oz.) or five
15	and 3/10th cents (\$0.053) per liter on lubricating oils, ten cents (\$0.10) per gallon or two and
16	64/100th cents (\$0.0264) per liter on antifreeze, one fourth of one cent (\$.0025) per gallon or
17	66/10,000ths cents (\$.00066) per liter on organic solvents, and fifty cents (\$.50) per tire as
18	defined above. The tax shall be separately stated and collected upon the sale by the hard-to-

dispose material wholesalers to a hard-to-dispose material retailer. In the case of new motor
vehicles, a fee of three dollars (\$3.00) per vehicle shall be levied and paid to the division of motor
vehicles in conjunction with titling of the vehicle. Every hard to dispose material retailer selling,
using, or otherwise consuming in this state any hard to dispose material is liable for the tax
imposed by this section. Its liability is not extinguished until the tax has been paid to the state,
except that a receipt from a hard to dispose material wholesaler engaging in business in this state
or from a hard-to-dispose material wholesaler who is authorized by the tax administrator to
collect the tax under rules and regulations that he or she may prescribe given to the hard to-
dispose material retailer is sufficient to relieve the hard-to-dispose material retailer from further
liability for the tax to which the receipt refers.

(b) In the event that a person purchases hard to dispose material for its own use or consumption and not for resale from a hard to dispose material wholesaler or retailer not engaged in business in this state or not authorized by the tax administrator to collect the tax, that person shall be liable for the tax imposed by this section.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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This act would eliminate the tax imposed on hard-to-dispose materials such as lubricating oils, glycol-based antifreeze and tires used on motor vehicles.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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