



26 (a) At a minimum, the comprehensive plan must do all of  
 27 the following:

28 1. Identify recycling goals based on sustainable materials  
 29 management and waste diversion.

30 2. Include a 3-year plan to implement all of the following  
 31 strategies:

32 a. Recycling education and outreach. The department shall  
 33 propose statewide solutions to provide local recycling  
 34 information and education throughout this state.

35 b. Local government recycling assistance. The department  
 36 shall evaluate the benefits and challenges of the former state  
 37 Recycling and Education Grant Program and provide  
 38 recommendations for reinstating the program or considering other  
 39 means of providing recycling assistance to local governments.

40 c. Recycling materials market development. The department  
 41 shall consider and recommend plans to develop and promote  
 42 markets for recycling materials.

43 (b) Upon completion of the comprehensive waste reduction  
 44 and recycling plan, the department shall provide a report to the  
 45 President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of  
 46 Representatives. The report must include an update on the status  
 47 of the plan and any recommendations for statutory changes  
 48 necessary to achieve the recycling goals or strategies  
 49 identified in the plan.

50 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2024.