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S.B. 25, RELATING TO WASTE REDUCTION

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Director of Health

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1 **Department's Position:** The department supports the intent of this measure to promote recycling and
2 reduce waste but this measure will impose a substantial burden upon the department with no additional
3 staff or resources. We must therefore oppose this bill in its current form.

4 **Fiscal Implications:** Undetermined.

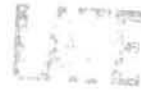
5 **Purpose and Justification:** This measure imposes a number of administrative problems for the
6 department. First, the distributor is required to pick up unclaimed telephone directory or advertising
7 materials, not made out of one hundred percent recyclable materials, within seven days of receiving a
8 request to do so from any resident or business. There is no simple, verifiable method to track these
9 requests or verify that the removal was done within the specified seven day time period. We expect that
10 the department would be overwhelmed by residents or businesses reporting violations.

11 Finally, the measure requires the department to pursue civil fines of \$100 for each telephone
12 directory or advertising material distributed in violation. Again the department will be overwhelmed
13 attempting to investigate alleged violations and taking enforcement action.

14 For these reasons, we respectfully oppose this measure and recommend that it be deferred.

15 Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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