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**Testimony COMMENTING on SB3099 SD1
RELATING TO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT**

SENATOR DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, CHAIR
SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Hearing Date: February 23, 2018
Time: 11:00 am

Room Number: 211

1 **Fiscal Implications:** The measure has appropriations of \$3 million general funds for the plastics
2 recycling grant program and \$169,466 for new positions to support the Glass Advance Disposal Fee
3 program.

4 **Department Testimony:** The Department of Health (Department) supports the overall intent of the
5 bill, but offers the following comments:

- 6 1) Implementation of a \$3,000,000 program within the Department will require additional time,
7 planning, staffing and the reallocation of other Department and program resources to adequately
8 develop and manage the program.
- 9 2) The Department has been advised by the Deputy Attorney General that expenditure of the funds
10 for the plastics recycling grant program must proceed in compliance with all State Procurement
11 law, and may not be distributed to organizations in a traditional grant-making approach.
- 12 3) The Department is conducting a variety of studies that will provide additional information to
13 improve overall Deposit Beverage Container program planning.
- 14 4) The Department will continue to report the DBC Program redemption rates and activities in the
15 Office of Solid Waste Management's Annual Report to the legislature.
- 16 5) The Department defers to the Governor's Supplemental Budget Request for appropriation and
17 personnel priorities related to establishing and funding staff positions for the Glass Advance
18 Disposal Fee program.

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

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