

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2541

5 By: Representative Judy  
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## For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CONVENIENCE CENTERS TO SERVE  
10 AS ALTERNATIVE COLLECTION SITES FOR HOUSEHOLD,  
11 BUSINESS, AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE; AND FOR OTHER  
12 PURPOSES.  
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## Subtitle

14 AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE CONVENIENCE CENTERS  
15 TO SERVE AS ALTERNATIVE COLLECTION SITES  
16 FOR HOUSEHOLD AND BUSINESS WASTE.  
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20 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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22 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 8, Chapter 6, Subchapter 2 is amended  
23 to add an additional section to read as follows:

24 8-6-223. Convenience centers.

25 (a) "Convenience centers" means staffed facilities primarily  
26 established for the collection of bagged waste identified by regulation of  
27 the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission as Class 1 from  
28 individual households, businesses, and industries.

29 (b)(1) Convenience centers are exempted from the permitting  
30 requirements of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality.

31 (2) Convenience centers shall not be considered transfer  
32 stations.

33 (c) Convenience centers shall:

34 (1) Be fenced and locked to prevent entry during hours the  
35 facility is not open for business;

36 (2) Be staffed during hours the facility is open for business;



1           (3) Accept only waste identified by regulation of the Arkansas  
2 Pollution Control and Ecology Commission as Class 1 and recyclables from  
3 households, businesses, and industries that have been bagged and closed;

4           (4) Not accept any waste from commercial waste haulers;

5           (5) At the end of each day the facility is operated, deliver all  
6 wastes collected at the center to a permitted transfer station, solid waste  
7 management facility, or landfill;

8           (6) Accept a minimum of three (3) types of recyclable materials;  
9 and

10           (7) Deliver all recycled materials collected at the center to a  
11 materials recovery facility for recycling.

12           (d)(1) A person who operates a convenience center shall notify the  
13 Solid Waste Division of the Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality  
14 thirty (30) days before beginning operations.

15           (2) The notification shall include the following information:

16           (A) The location of the facility, including latitude and  
17 longitude;

18           (B) The owner's name, address, and telephone number;

19           (C) The operator's name, address, and telephone number;

20           (D) The days and hours of operation;

21           (E) The materials to be collected;

22           (F) The location at which the waste will be delivered for  
23 transfer or disposal;

24           (G) The location at which recyclable materials will be  
25 delivered for processing and recycling;

26           (H) A seven and five-tenths (7.5) minute topographic quad  
27 map as prepared according to the Unified Soil Classification System showing  
28 the location of the facility; and

29           (I) A certification from a regional solid waste management  
30 district showing that the facility meets all relevant regulations of the  
31 district.

32           (e)(1) Regional solid waste management districts shall survey each  
33 convenience center at least quarterly and if the survey identifies any  
34 violations of the district's regulations, the district shall:

35           (A) Close the convenience center; and

36           (B) Notify the Arkansas Department of Environmental

1 Quality that the certification has been rescinded.

2 (2)(A) A convenience center may request a new survey, at any  
3 time after a closure by the regional solid waste management district.

4 (B) If the district finds that the center has returned to  
5 compliance with the district's regulations, the district shall immediately:

6 (i) Rescind the closure; and

7 (ii) Notify the Arkansas Department of Environmental

8 Quality that the center has returned to compliance.

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