

Whatcom County

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Legislation Text

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TITLE FOR AGENDA ITEM:

Ordinance establishing a compost procurement policy

SUMMARY STATEMENT OR LEGAL NOTICE LANGUAGE:

The Legislature in 2022 adopted House Bill 1799, requiring counties like Whatcom to adopt a compost procurement ordinance by January 1, 2023. The requirement is codified in RCW 43.19A.150. The intent of the ordinance is to encourage cities and counties to procure more of the compost and finished products created from their organic material wastes in order to support the economic viability of composting and increasing the likelihood that composting and other responsible organic material management options are economically viable.