Product Stewardship: How L.D. 1631 Would Work

Step 1: REVIEW AND PRIORITIZATION

DEP reviews existing product stewardship programs and conducts prioritization process to identify candidate products for product stewardship programs.

Step 4: IMPLEMENTATION

If the Legislature decides to create a product stewardship program for a given product, the producers of that product would be collectively responsible for establishing and financing a collection and recycling program.

Step 2: REPORT & STAKEHOLDER INPUT

DEP writes annual report to the legislature on 1) the state of existing product stewardship programs, 2) any need for refinements to existing programs and 3) at DEP's discretion, a recommendation for a potential candidate product to be considered for a product stewardship program. Stakeholders and interested parties have opportunities to provide comments to the Legislature on the report.

Step 3: LEGISLATIVE REVIEW AND POTENTIAL DESIGNATION

The Natural Resources Committee would review the report and have the authority to report out legislation to refine existing programs or create a new product stewardship program for the candidate product in the report.