

Impact of proposed recycling amendments and the Recycling Enhancement Act

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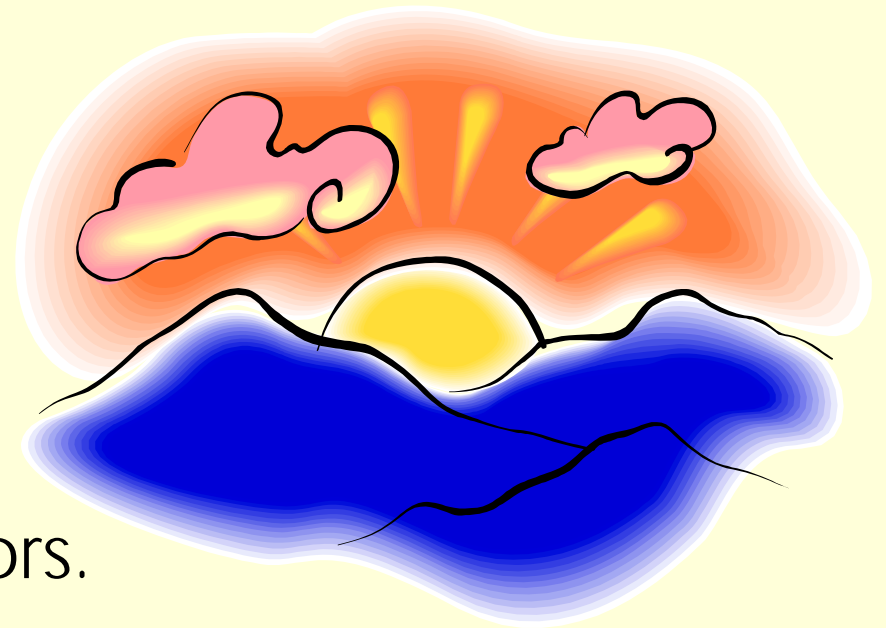


Mayor's Roundtable

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New laws and rules...

1. Recycling Enhancement Act
 2. "Sunset" revisions to NJAC 7:26A regulations
- Overlapped in development.
 - Not perfectly coordinated.
 - Both change what you should expect from recycling coordinators.



1. Recycling Enhancement Act

- \$3/ton, up from \$1.65.
- 60% back to towns, tied to recycling.
- 25% to counties.
- 5% to a statewide education effort.
- 5% to research.
- 5% to NJDEP.
- \$8m up front for grants.



What would you do with \$\$\$?

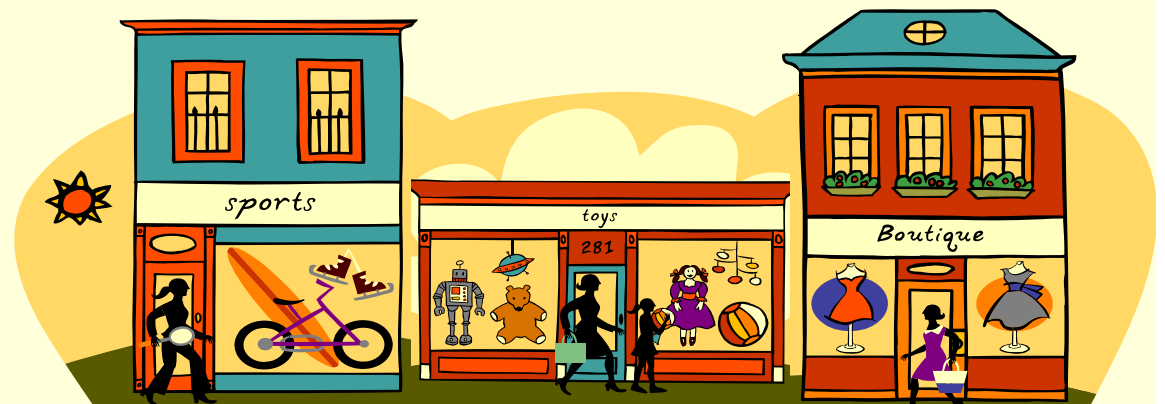
- Flyers, buckets, hangtags, new rollofs at depot, electronics collection, textiles.
- Computers, OCPE courses, other training



2. Revisions to NJAC 7:26A

New Subchapter 11: Just for Towns

- Original Mandatory Recycling Act always addressed towns.
- But regulations didn't provide specifics.
- New Subchapter 11 clarifies and expands statutory language.



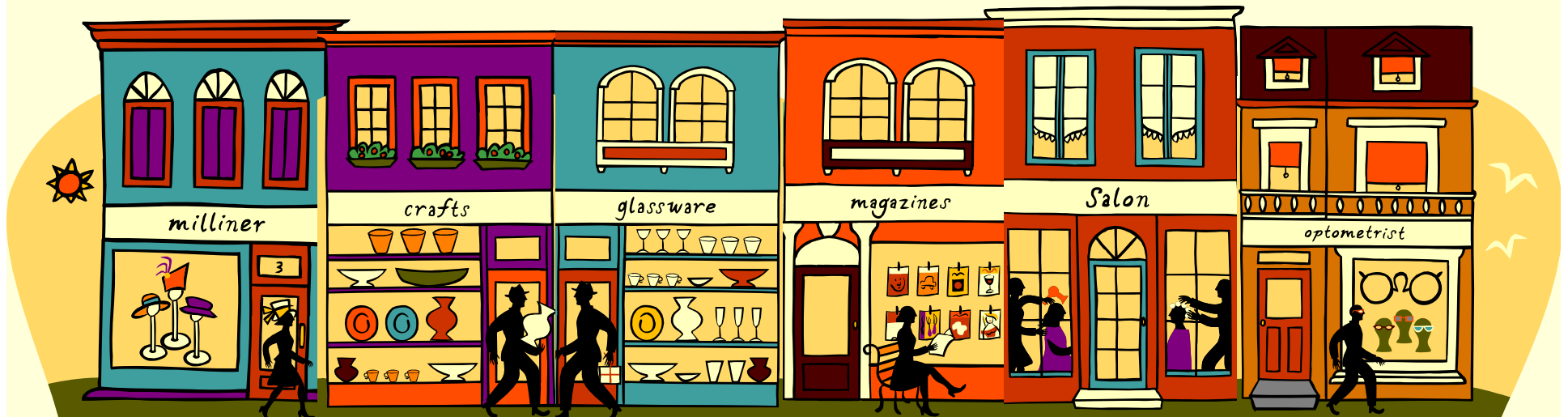
Municipalities [7:26A-11]



- You have a coordinator.
- Does he have equipment (email, excel, etc.)
- Does she have training (Certification)?
- Have you reviewed and updated your master plan?
- You have an ordinance.
- Do you enforce it?
- Do you review it?
- Do you give separation exemptions?
- Do you track them?

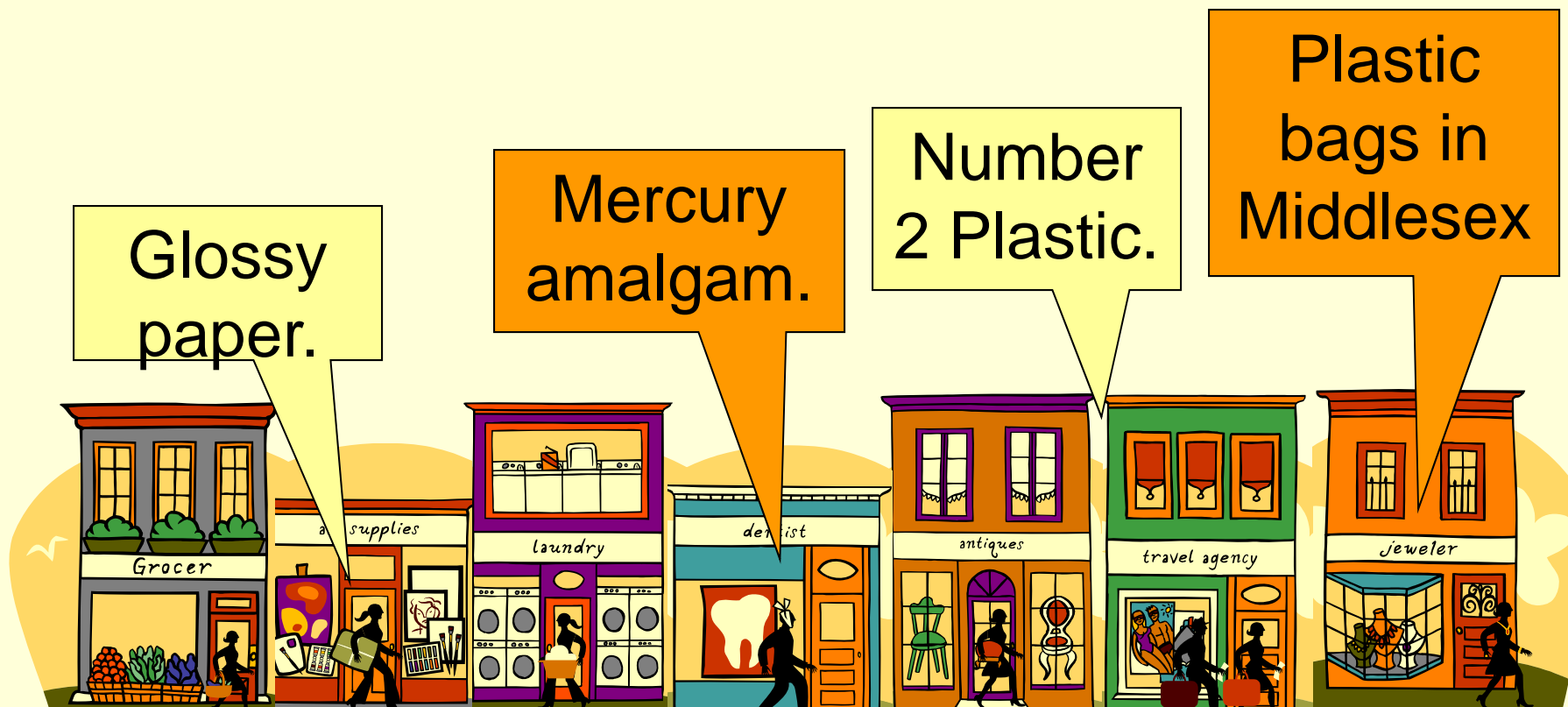
Generators [7:26A-10]

- ALL homes, businesses, institutions must separate per ordinance.
- Businesses & Institutions must report per ordinance.
- All exemptions must be in writing.



Penalties [7:26A-9]

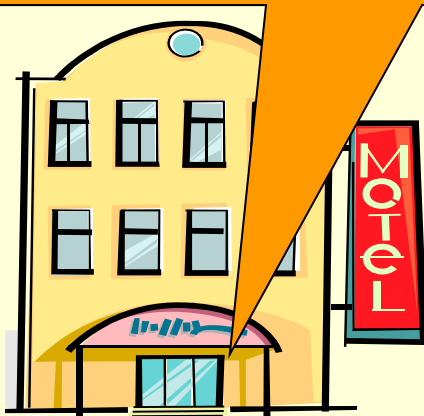
- Old and new penalties.
- \$3,000 minimum with grace period.



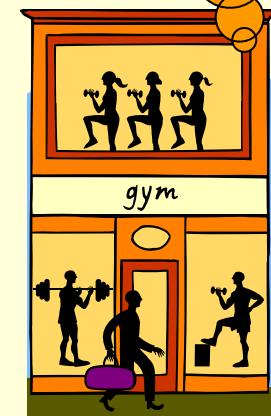
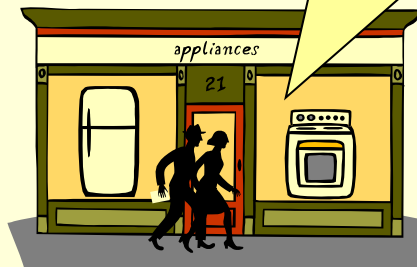
Enforcement Strategy

- Towns should go first, with their smaller fines!
- Then CEHA agents.
- DEP should go last.

But HQ sets the protocol!

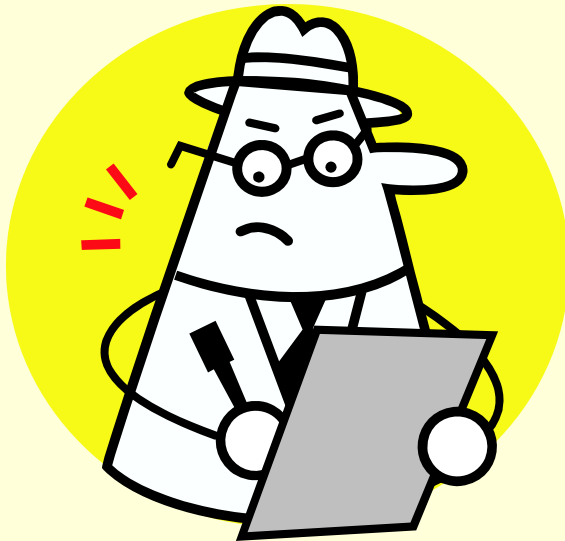


You won't pick on big-box stores, will you?



Feeling Confident Now?

- We'll reach 50% MSW diversion in no time!



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