## IL Consumer Electronics Recycling Act Overview

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# Evolution of IL Electronics Legislation

#### **EPPRA**

Enacted in 2008 and implemented in 2009

Based on a weight goal model



#### CERA

Enacted in 2018 and implemented in 2019

Modernized elements of the electronics recycling program

Based on a convenience standard model

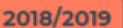
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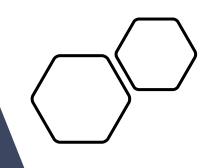
#### **DISPOSAL BAN**

Covered Electronics Devices (CEDs) are prohibited from entering Illinois landfills





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Covered Electronic Device Type
Computers and Small-scale Servers
Computer Monitors
Televisions
Printers, Facsimile Machines, and Scanners
Digital Video Disc Players, Digital Video Disc Recorders, and Videocassette Recorders
Video Game Consoles
Digital Converter Boxes, Cable Receivers, and Satellite Receivers
Electronic Keyboards, Electronic Mice, and Portable Digital Music Players

- Current Legislation that governs electronics recycling in Illinois
- First programmatic year = 2019
- CERA covers 17 electronic devices (residential only)
- No longer weight goal orientated, instead focused on access
- Counties awarded sites/events

### Stakeholders

- Manufacturers/Manufacturer Clearinghouse
- Counties/Local Government
- Collectors
- Group Plans (assigned to county)
- Recyclers (assigned to county)

### Counties

#### Submit opt-in form

Awarded sites/events based on population

Assigned to a group plan and recycler

County or other entity may act as the collector

#### **Manufacturer Responsibilities**

- Submit registration form and fee to Agency
- Submit e-waste program plan (done through the Clearinghouse)
- Provide funding for packaging materials (gaylords, pallets, shrink wrap, etc.)
- Provide transportation of materials
- Fund the recycling of collected materials covered under the program

#### **County/Local Government Responsibilities**

- Submit opt-in form to Agency
- Advertising
- Site/event selection
- Labor to assist with stacking, packaging, and loading of electronics
- Equipment

\*CERA allows collectors to charge for TVs and monitors to cover collection costs

Recycler Responsibilities Submit registration form and fee to Agency

Reach out to assigned counties and coordinate logistics for collection sites/events

Must accept all covered devices and handle them in accordance with CERA statutory requirements

### Agency Responsibilities

- Review and approve manufacturer program plan
- Enforce CERA statutory requirements, pursue enforcement if necessary
- Coordinate county opt-in process
- Coordinate manufacturer and recycler registration
- Post collection site/event information online



### **CERA Fees**

# Short fall fee for trailers under 18,000 pounds – prorated \$600

Directly addressed in CERA

## Fee for items collected that are not covered under the program

- Not directly addressed in CERA
- If county wants to except more items than what is covered, they will need to work out an agreement with their recycler

What do counties do if they are not in the program?

Some counties/municipalities run their own electronics recycling programs outside of the CERA program

Other counties rely on private retailers or private recycling businesses to collect e-waste in their county

Counties that do not run their own programs or have retailers/businesses likely experience higher instances of open dumping or electronics entering landfills

### **CERA Performance**

- Approximately 55-60 counties participate each year
  - ~88% of the population has access to a CERA site or event
- 14.7 million pounds collected in 2019
- 12.3 million pounds collected in 2020
- More data needed to establish collection trends



Questions