

65-3460. Voluntary local hazardous waste programs; duties of the secretary; rules and regulations; reports. (a) In order to (1) provide for the safe disposal of small quantities of hazardous waste in the possession of homeowners, householders, farmers and exempt small quantity hazardous waste generators in amounts not exceeding the amount prescribed in K.S.A. 65-3451 and amendments thereto; (2) educate the public about the dangers posed by hazardous waste; and (3) encourage local units of government to develop local hazardous waste collection programs either individually or jointly, the secretary of health and environment may coordinate voluntary hazardous waste collection programs to ensure the safe collection and disposal of such waste.

(b) The secretary of health and environment may adopt rules and regulations for conducting both hazardous temporary and permanent waste collection programs. The secretary shall supervise the program and ensure that the local unit of government contracts with a bonded waste handling company approved by the secretary for implementation of the program.

(c) The secretary of health and environment may receive moneys for use as grants to help defray the expense of operating hazardous waste collection programs. Any money received to defray the cost of the programs shall be deposited in the state treasury and credited to the hazardous waste collection fund, which is hereby created. Costs and expenses arising from the implementation of this section shall be paid from such fund.

(d) Not later than the first day of each legislative session, the secretary of health and environment shall submit to the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the senate a report on hazardous waste collection programs carried out under this section during the preceding calendar year.

History: L. 1989, ch. 199, § 1; L. 1995, ch. 221, § 7; July 1.