



## Legislation Text

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SUBSTITUTE 2

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A substitute ordinance relating to recycling electronic waste.

310-18.7 cr

This ordinance directs every city department, agency, committee, board or commission to collect the electronic waste it creates and ensure the proper disposal and recycling of such electronic waste by contacting the department of administration for direction on the proper method of disposal.

“Recycling” is defined as preparing electronic waste for use in manufacturing processes or for recovery of useable materials and delivering the material for use, and does not include destruction by incineration or other processes or land disposal of recyclable materials.

The Mayor and Common Council of the City of Milwaukee do ordain as follows:

Part 1. Section 310-18.7 of the code is created to read as follows:

### **310-18.7. Electronic Waste Recycling.**

1. **DECLARATION OF POLICY.** It is a desirable goal of the city that the city reduces the amount of electronic waste it creates. Maximum electronic waste recycling is in the best interest of the city in order to protect public health, to protect the quality of the natural environment and to conserve resources and energy. The city will lead by example by being environmentally responsible in its efforts to recycle electronic waste, which will encourage individuals, businesses and other levels of government to do the same.

2. **DEFINITIONS.** In this section:

a. “Electronic waste” means computer central processing units, computer monitors and monitor cables, computer mice, computer keyboards, CRT units, laptop computers, computer hard drives, surge protector strips, uninterruptible power supplies, and other computer-related accessories, servers, printers, copy machines, facsimile machines, scanners, televisions, stereos, and related cords and cables, mobile telephones, personal digital assistants, data tapes, compact discs and other electronic devices or accessories identified by a city department, agency, committee, board or commission that is determined to be harmful to human health or the environment if disposed of in a solid waste disposal facility.

b. “Recycling” means preparing electronic waste for use in manufacturing processes or for recovery of useable materials and delivering the material for use. “Recycling” does not include destruction by incineration or other processes or land disposal of recyclable materials.

3. **ELECTRONIC WASTE.** Every city department, agency, committee, board or commission shall collect the electronic waste it creates and ensure the proper disposal and recycling of such electronic waste by contacting the department of administration for direction on the proper method of disposal.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Legislative Reference Bureau

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

IT IS OUR OPINION THAT THE ORDINANCE  
IS LEGAL AND ENFORCEABLE

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Office of the City Attorney

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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