

Bills Committee on Promotion of Recycling and Proper Disposal (Electrical Equipment and Electronic Equipment) (Amendment) Bill 2015

EcoSage suggestion

Being a REE (regulated electrical equipment) recycler in Hong Kong for ten years, EcoSage always support the proper control of the REE recycling and proper disposal. When the market is regulated under appropriated regulations, it helps the market to grow at a healthy manner and alleviate the improper trade of ewaste.

The REE products' life cycle is getting shorter and shorter. It makes ewaste disposal rate growing fast in Hong Kong. We suggest there is a mechanism of promotion of refurbishment product at this recycling and disposal loop. For example, at **43. Proper disposal of electrical equipment or electronic equipment removed, Division 4—Seller to Arrange for Removal Service**, the collector shall ship the REE to recycler only. We suggest the refurbishment option be available for the collector rather than recycling option only. Refurbishment does extend the product life cycle of REE. It would reduce disposal rate per capita in Hong Kong. This option could be considered during the collection/recycling loop.

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