

# SENATE NO. 510

## **AN ACT** RELATIVE TO THE RETURN OF UNUSED NON-LATEX PAINT

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,  
And by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 16 of the General laws is hereby amended by inserting after section 21 the  
2 following new section:-

3 Section 21A. The department shall convene a stakeholder group of the parties involved  
4 in the sale, recycling, and disposal of non-latex paint sold or used in the commonwealth,  
5 including the manufacturers and retailers of such paint, and through this stakeholder group  
6 develop and implement a cooperative program to allow consumers to return at no charge unused  
7 non-latex paint for recycling or reuse.

8 The department shall promulgate regulations to provide that if such cooperative return  
9 system is not fully implemented on or before July 1, 2007, that as of that date the manufacturers  
10 of non-latex paint shall be required to establish a system to accept at no charge the return of  
11 unused non-latex paint from consumers pursuant to the conditions and requirements imposed by  
12 the department in the regulations.