

# The Legislature of Rockland County



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Legislator – District 10  
Chair, Environmental Committee

**AGENDA**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**  
**TUESDAY, February 23, 2016**  
**6:30 PM**

ROLL CALL

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 8, 2015 & JANUARY 27, 2016 MEETINGS**

1. REF. #4374 - AMENDING THE COUNTY'S PROCUREMENT POLICY AND CHAPTER 140-14.5 OF THE LAWS OF ROCKLAND COUNTY TO INDICATE THAT COUNTY EMPLOYEES WRITING SPECIFICATIONS FOR OR PROCURING PLUMBING FIXTURES FOR COUNTY FACILITIES SHALL REQUIRE WATERSENSE LABELED FIXTURES WHEN AVAILABLE  
(HON. HARRIET D. CORNELL, LEGISLATURE)

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140-14.5 Use of social and environmental product or services labels.

A.

County employees are encouraged to use independent, third-party social and/or environmental (eco) product or service label standards when writing specifications for, or procuring, materials, products, or services, so long as such labels;

(1)

Were developed and awarded by an impartial third party;

(2)

Were developed in a public, transparent, and broad stakeholder process;

and

(3)

Represent specific and meaningful leadership criteria for that product or service category.

B.

In addition, whenever possible, label standards used in product or service specifications should represent standards that take into account multiple attributes and life-cycle considerations, with claims verified by an independent third party.

C.

**In addition, County employees writing specifications for or procuring plumbing fixtures for County facilities shall require WaterSense labeled fixtures when available.**

WHEREAS, the \_\_\_\_\_ Committee of the Legislature of Rockland County has met, considered and by a \_\_\_\_\_ vote approved this resolution; now therefore be it \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLVED, that the Legislature amends the Procurement Policy and Chapter 140-14.5 of the Laws of Rockland County as follows:

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;and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk to the Legislature be and is hereby authorized and directed to send a certified copy of this resolution to such persons as the Clerk, in his discretion, may deem proper in order to effectuate the purpose of this resolution.

JB  
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