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An act relating to the collection and recycling of mercury-added lamps

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 10 V.S.A. § 7115 is amended to read:

§ 7115. RULEMAKING

(a) The secretary of the agency of natural resources is authorized to adopt rules necessary to implement this chapter.

(b) The secretary of natural resources may adopt rules or procedures to establish mercury content standards for lamps. If the secretary adopts standards governing mercury content, the standards shall rely upon content standards established in California. If one or more categories of lamps are not covered by the California mercury content standards, the secretary may adopt standards minimizing the mercury content of lamps within such categories, including adoption of a no-mercury standard when non-mercury alternatives are available at comparable cost. Before adopting or amending any standards under this subsection the secretary shall consider mercury reduction controls in other states.

Sec. 2. 10 V.S.A. § 7113(b) is amended to read:

(b) The advisory committee shall be terminated on January 1, ~~2010~~ 2015, unless extended by the general assembly.