

Recycling Collection by Municipalities; HB 2597

HB 2597 allows municipalities that already provide solid waste collection services to immediately offer recycling collection services. In order for the municipality to immediately offer recycling services, the following conditions must be met:

- The municipality must conduct a public hearing on the proposed plan to provide recycling services;
- The municipality must provide 21 days prior notice of the hearing by publication in the official newspaper of the municipality and in the *Kansas Register*; and
- No existing recycling collector formally opposes the new recycling collection system within 21 days of the hearing.

If an objection is made to the municipality offering the service, the municipality must comply with continuing law, KSA 2013 Supp. 12-2036, which requires that a municipality wait 18 months or until the objection is withdrawn, whichever occurs first, before beginning the recycling service.