

**TITLE 2: NATURAL RESOURCES**  
**DIVISION 3: THE ENVIRONMENT**

**§ 3514. Department of Public Works: Powers and Responsibilities.**

(a) The Department of Public Works shall be the responsible agency empowered to:

(1) Collect at transfer stations and dispose of solid waste in the Commonwealth as provided in this chapter;

(2) Establish rules and regulations to enforce its powers; and

(3) Assess fees by regulation for the collection and disposal of solid wastes.

(b) The director is authorized to contract with any person for performance of the solid waste collection or disposal duties of the Department of Public Works. Such person shall not commence such contract without first obtaining a permit from the Division of Environmental Quality as provided herein and conforming with all other requirements of this chapter.

(c) The director shall report annually to the Governor and to the legislature the amount of fines and fees collected and the cost of solid waste collection and disposal operations undertaken by the department under the provisions of this chapter. The director shall recommend amendments or additions to this chapter or to the comprehensive solid waste management plan, once enacted, as appropriate to accomplish the policy set out in 2 CMC § 3512.

**Source:** PL 6-30, § 4.

**Commission Comment:** With respect to the references to the “Division of Environmental Quality,” the “director” of the Department of Public Safety, and the “Department of Public Works,” see Executive Order 94-3 (effective August 23, 1994), reorganizing the executive branch, changing agency names and official titles, and effecting other changes, set forth in the Commission comment to 1 CMC § 2001.