

## *Appendix 9 - Statutory and Regulatory Authority*

Waste Prevention is the cornerstone of Vermont laws pertaining to solid waste management, appearing frequently and with significance. Abbreviated examples include:

10 V.S.A. § 6601, the “declaration of policy and purpose” of the Agency of Natural Resource’s (ANR’s) waste management program states that state action is necessary to “*reduce the amount of waste generated* and to promote environmentally acceptable and economical means of waste management.”

10 V.S.A. § 6603 allows ANR to issue grants and loans “for waste stream reduction facilities that precede refuse disposal.”

10 V.S.A. § 6604 requires the State to develop and adopt a solid waste management plan based on four overarching priorities, the top priority being “the greatest feasible reduction in the amount of waste generated.”

Over time, statutory prohibitions on landfill disposal of certain wastes have been enacted as a waste prevention strategy. Banned wastes now include lead-acid and Ni-Cad batteries, appliances, tires, paint, and mercury containing products.