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3 By Senator Holley  
4 RFD: Energy and Natural Resources  
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4 ENROLLED, An Act,

5 Relating to recycling; to require biodegradable  
6 plastic containers to meet standards for compostable products  
7 and be clearly labeled to prevent contamination of recyclable  
8 plastic containers

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

10 Section 1. No person shall distribute, sell, or  
11 offer for sale any rigid plastic container, including a  
12 plastic beverage container, labeled "degradable,"  
13 "biodegradable," "compostable," or any other word suggesting  
14 the container will biodegrade, unless it meets the following  
15 requirements:

16 (1) The container complies with the United States  
17 Federal Trade Commission's Guides for the Use of Environmental  
18 Marketing Claims, 16 CFR Part 260, as amended.

19 (2) The container includes the label "Not  
20 Recyclable, Do Not Recycle" in print of the same color,  
21 contrast, font, and size as the label suggesting the container  
22 is biodegradable.

23 Section 2. This act shall become effective on July  
24 1, 2015.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed  
the Senate.

Patrick Harris  
Secretary

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House of Representatives  
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