

**350.275 Legislative findings and declaration on backstowing and reinjection of coal processing and coal underground development waste.**

- (1) The General Assembly finds that:
  - (a) The backstowing of coal processing and coal underground development waste is a disposal method which, under appropriate conditions, is authorized under state and federal coal mining laws;
  - (b) The state Division of Water and Department for Natural Resources, United States Environmental Protection Agency, and United States Mine Safety and Health Administration each have responsibilities under different state and federal laws relative to any proposal to backstow or reinject coal processing and coal underground development waste; and
  - (c) The maximization of coordination of agency review of such a proposal is in the best interest of each agency, the proponent, and the public-at-large.
- (2) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Energy and Environment Cabinet negotiate improved coordination among state and federal agencies in the review of proposals for backstowing or reinjection of coal processing and coal underground development waste, consistent with all requirements of KRS Chapters 224 and 350 and other state and federal laws relating to such proposals.

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