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CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

Representative Williams, T. offered the following:

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Amendment (with title amendment)

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Between lines 642 and 643, insert:

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Section 10. Paragraph (c) of subsection (12) of section 403.708, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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403.708 Prohibition; penalty.-

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(12) A person who knows or should know of the nature of the following types of solid waste may not dispose of such solid waste in landfills:

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(c) Yard trash in lined landfills classified by department rule as Class I landfills; unless the Class I landfill uses an active gas-collection system to collect landfill gas generated at the disposal facility and provides or arranges for a beneficial use of the gas. A Class I landfill may also accept yard trash for the purpose of mulching and utilizing such yard

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17 trash to provide landfill cover for municipal solid waste 18 disposed at the landfill. The department, by rule, shall develop 19 and adopt a methodology to award recycling credit for the use of 20 yard trash at a Class I landfill with a gas-collection system 21 that makes beneficial use of the collected landfill gas. A qualifying permitted Class I landfill shall obtain a minor 22 23 permit modification to its operating permit which describes the 24 beneficial use being made of the landfill gas and modifies the 25 facility's operation plan before receiving yard trash as 26 authorized under this paragraph. The permittee must certify that 27 gas collection and beneficial use will continue after closure of the disposal facility that is accepting yard trash. If the 28 29 landfill is located in a county that owns and operates a compost 30 facility, waste-to-energy facility, or biomass facility that sells renewable energy to a public utility and that is 31 32 authorized to accept yard trash, the department shall provide to 33 the county notice of, and opportunity to comment on, the 34 application for permit modification. Yard trash that is source 35 separated from solid waste may be accepted at a solid waste 36 disposal area where separate yard trash composting facilities 37 are provided and maintained. The department recognizes that 38 incidental amounts of yard trash may be disposed of in Class I 39 landfills. In any enforcement action taken pursuant to this 40 paragraph, the department shall consider the difficulty of removing incidental amounts of yard trash from a mixed solid 41 42 waste stream. This limited exception applies to all units of local government, including, but not limited to, municipalities, 43 counties, and special districts. However, this limited exception 44 325509

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does not apply to any county that currently operates under a constitutional home rule charter previously authorized in 1956 by the voters of Florida in a statewide referendum. This limited exception to the ban on disposing of yard trash in a Class I landfill is not intended to have a material impact on current operations at existing waste-to-energy or biomass facilities.

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TITLE AMENDMENT

Remove line 50 and insert:

providing an exception; amending s. 403.708, F.S.; authorizing the disposal of yard trash at specified Class I landfills; requiring such landfills to obtain a modified operating permit; requiring permittees to certify certain collection and beneficial use of landfill gas; providing applicability; amending s. 403.709, F.S.;