



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 398

PRINTERS NO. 1691

PRIME SPONSOR: Killion

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2014/15	FY 2015/16
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY: House Bill 398, Printer's Number 1691, amends the Solid Waste Management Act regarding transportation of leachate.

ANALYSIS: This bill amends the Solid Waste Management Act (Act 97 of 1980) to add new subsections addressing the transportation of residual waste. The Department of Environmental Protection may not prohibit or penalize the vehicular transportation of leachate discharged from a collection and handling system of a landfill to an offsite facility for treatment provided that it meets several conditions, including:

- 1) Vehicles with enclosed tanks may be used if in compliance with federal regulations;
- 2) A new traffic impact analysis must be conducted if the daily number of tanker vehicles transporting leachate will be greater than 10% of the total number of vehicles delivering waste. The facility may also be required to submit an updated environmental assessment that includes the new traffic impact analysis to DEP for its consideration.
- 3) The facility closure and post closure financial assurance shall be recalculated and increased, if required, to cover the associated costs if such leachate transport is proposed as a basic method of treatment. No financial assurance modification shall be required for the use of transportation for management of leachate volumes related to excess rainfall, open cell conditions, system interruptions or emergencies.

This shall take effect in 60 days upon enactment.

FISCAL IMPACT: Enactment of this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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DATE: June 2, 2015

Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.