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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 1000, L.D. 2565, Bill, "An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Task Force to Review Solid Waste Management Policy"

Amend the bill in section 1 by striking out all of subsection 2 (page 1, lines 6 to 21 in L.D.) and inserting in its place the following:

'2. Recommendation for development. If When the office finds that ~~construction and operation of a state-owned solid waste disposal facility is needed to meet needs identified in the state plan 4 years or less of licensed and available disposal capacity for municipal solid waste or special waste remains within the State or that within 4 years this capacity will be available only at a single facility,~~ it shall submit a report recommending the construction and operation of a state-owned solid waste disposal facility for the disposal of the type of waste for which capacity is needed to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over natural resource matters. The report must recommend which state agency or department will own the facility and how it will be operated. The report must also include a review of disposal options outside of the State; a review of existing efforts to reduce, reuse, recycle, compost and incinerate the affected municipal solid waste and special waste streams and the impact of these efforts on capacity requirements; a thorough economic analysis of the facility's expected costs; and commitments from entities to utilize the facility and projected revenues. It is the intent of the Legislature that the facility be operated by a private contractor. A state-owned solid waste disposal facility may not

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be constructed or operated unless authorized by legislation pursuant to subsection 3.'

Further amend the bill in section 2 in that part designated "~~§2162.~~" in subsection 2 in the 11th line (page 1, line 47 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "matters." the following: 'The report must include a review of disposal options outside of the State; a review of existing efforts to reduce, reuse, recycle, compost and incinerate the affected waste streams and the impact of these efforts on capacity requirements; a thorough economic analysis of the facility's expected costs; and commitments from entities to utilize the facility and projected revenues.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

#### FISCAL NOTE

The State Planning Office will incur some minor additional costs to provide certain technical assistance and to submit a required report to the Legislature. These costs can be absorbed within the office's existing budgeted resources.'

#### SUMMARY

This amendment specifies that the triggers for when the State Planning Office must submit a report to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over natural resources matters recommending the construction and operation of a state-owned solid waste disposal facility are when the office finds that 4 years or less of licensed and available disposal capacity for municipal solid waste or special waste remains within the State or that within 4 years this capacity will be available only at a single facility. The report must recommend the construction and operation of a facility for the disposal of the type of waste for which capacity is needed.

The amendment requires that a report submitted by the office recommending construction of a state-owned facility for either municipal solid waste or special waste or to meet the needs of a regional association for disposal of certain other types of waste must include a review of disposal options outside of the State; a review of existing efforts to reduce, reuse, recycle, compost and incinerate the affected waste streams and the impact of these efforts on capacity requirements; a thorough economic analysis of the facility's expected costs; and commitments from entities to utilize the facility and projected revenues.