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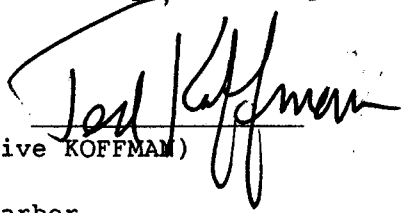
HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 309, L.D. 389, Bill, "An Act to Amend the Laws Governing Municipal Citizen Initiatives and Referenda"

Amend the amendment in section 1 by striking out all of subsection 5 and inserting in its place the following:

'5. Limitation on ability to retroactively alter final approval. A municipal ordinance or bylaw enacted by citizen initiative or referendum may not invalidate, repeal, revoke or modify any building permit, zoning permit, land use approval, subdivision approval or site plan approval if the final municipal approval or issuance of the permit was taken prior to the enactment of that ordinance or bylaw and if the municipality has an established approval process that includes at least one advertised public hearing. The applicant for municipal approval or issuance of a permit shall reimburse to the municipality the costs of advertising and mailing for the hearing or hearings conducted in accordance with this subsection.'

SUMMARY

This amendment removes the exemption of sludge and septage ordinances from the limitation. This amendment also clarifies the language in Committee Amendment "A" and specifies that the applicant for municipal approval or issuance of a permit shall reimburse to the municipality the costs of advertising and mailing for the hearing or hearings conducted.

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