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1 AN ACT Relating to solid waste received from outside the state;  
2 adding a new section to chapter 70.95 RCW; and declaring an emergency.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.95 RCW  
5 to read as follows:

6 (1) At least sixty days prior to receiving solid waste generated  
7 from outside of the state, each holder or applicant of a permit for a  
8 landfill disposal or incineration facility under this chapter shall  
9 report to the department the types and quantities of waste to be  
10 received. The department shall develop guidelines for owners or  
11 operators of land disposal facilities to report this information.

12 (2) If another state imposes a fee, tax, or other assessment for  
13 the disposal or incineration of solid waste generated in Washington  
14 state, the department shall impose a similar fee, tax, or assessment on

1 incoming solid waste generated from that state. All money received  
2 from any fee, tax, or assessment imposed under this subsection shall be  
3 deposited into the solid waste management account created by RCW  
4 70.95.800. This subsection shall apply to contracts entered into on or  
5 after March 1, 1992.

6 (3) The department shall prohibit in-state land disposal and  
7 incineration of solid waste generated from a unit of government outside  
8 of the state, unless that unit of government has a recycling rate  
9 equivalent to that of a comparable unit of government within this  
10 state.

11 For the purposes of this subsection "unit of government" means any  
12 country, province, state, county, city, or a federally recognized  
13 Indian tribe.

14 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** If any provision of this act or its  
15 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the  
16 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other  
17 persons or circumstances is not affected.

18 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
19 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the  
20 state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take  
21 effect immediately.