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HOUSE BILL 1657

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By Representatives Chandler and Linville

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1 AN ACT Relating to allowing the pass-through of disposal fees for  
2 certain solid waste collection companies; amending RCW 81.77.160; and  
3 adding a new section to chapter 81.16 RCW.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 81.77.160 and 1989 c 431 s 30 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7 The commission, in fixing and altering collection rates charged by  
8 every solid waste collection company under this section, shall include  
9 in the base for the collection rates:

10 (1) All charges for the disposal of solid waste at the facility or  
11 facilities that ((the solid waste collection company is required to  
12 use)) are designated by the local jurisdiction under a local  
13 comprehensive solid waste management plan or ordinance ((designating  
14 disposal sites)), even if the facility and the collection company are  
15 affiliated interests, if the total cost of disposal, including waste  
16 transfer, transport, and disposal charges, at the facility is equal to  
17 or lower than any other reasonably available option; and

18 (2) All known and measurable costs related to implementation of the  
19 approved county or city comprehensive solid waste management plan.

1        If a solid waste collection company files a tariff to recover the  
2 costs specified under this section, and the commission suspends the  
3 tariff, the portion of the tariff covering costs specified in this  
4 section shall be placed in effect by the commission at the request of  
5 the company on an interim basis as of the originally filed effective  
6 date, subject to refund, pending the commission's final order. The  
7 commission may adopt rules to implement this section.

8        NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 81.16 RCW  
9 to read as follows:

10        This chapter does not apply to a determination of the base for  
11 collection rates for certain solid waste collection companies under RCW  
12 81.77.160.

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