

5730-S2

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Ways & Means (originally sponsored by Senators Rasmussen and Swecker)

Brief Title: Changing financial responsibility requirements for operators of solid waste landfills.

SB 5730-S2.E - DIGEST

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Provides that, in addition to the reserve account required under RCW 70.95.215, each holder or applicant for a new, above-ground landfill disposal facility shall demonstrate sufficient financial capability in the form of a surety bond to provide for any temporary or permanent facility clean up and closure due to an unforeseen emergency event including, but not limited to, a geologic or weather-related event or fire, that results in a breach of integrity of the landfill. This financial assurance requirement shall be incorporated as a condition of the permit issued for the facility by the jurisdictional health department. The condition shall be jointly reviewed and approved by the department of ecology and the jurisdictional health department.