
SENATE BILL 5231

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By Senators Swecker, Fraser and Franklin

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1 AN ACT Relating to requiring the treatment of biomedical waste
2 cultures and stocks prior to disposal; adding a new section to chapter
3 70.95K RCW; and providing an effective date.

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

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

7 Generators of cultures and stocks shall treat those cultures and
8 stocks before final disposal in either of the following ways: (1) The
9 generators may treat the cultures and stocks before transport from the
10 facility; or (2) segregate the cultures and stocks from other
11 biomedical waste and transport them to a treatment facility. Cultures
12 and stocks shall not be subject to any process that creates the
13 potential for the generation or release of airborne pathogens from the
14 waste before treatment.

15 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** Section 1 of this act takes effect January
16 1, 2002.

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