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SENATE BILL 5932

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By Senator Madsen.

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1 AN ACT Relating to solid waste disposal facilities; and amending  
2 RCW 70.95.165.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.95.165 and 1989 c 431 s 11 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) Each county or city siting a solid waste disposal facility  
7 shall review each potential site for conformance with the standards as  
8 set by the department for:

9 (a) Geology;

10 (b) Ground water;

11 (c) Soil;

12 (d) Flooding;

13 (e) Surface water;

14 (f) Slope;

15 (g) Cover material;

- 1 (h) Capacity;
- 2 (i) Climatic factors;
- 3 (j) Land use;
- 4 (k) Toxic air emissions; and
- 5 (l) Other factors as determined by the department.

6 (2) The standards in subsection (1) of this section shall be  
7 designed to use the best available technology to protect the  
8 environment and human health, and shall be revised periodically to  
9 reflect new technology and information.

10 (3) Each county shall establish a local solid waste advisory  
11 committee to assist in the development of programs and policies  
12 concerning solid waste handling and disposal and to review and comment  
13 upon proposed rules, policies, or ordinances prior to their adoption.  
14 Such committees shall consist of a minimum of nine members and shall  
15 represent a balance of interests including, but not limited to,  
16 citizens, public interest groups, business, the waste management  
17 industry, and local elected public officials. The members shall be  
18 appointed by the county legislative authority. A county or city shall  
19 not apply for funds from the state and local improvements revolving  
20 account, Waste Disposal Facilities, 1980, under chapter 43.99F RCW, for  
21 the preparation, update, or major amendment of a comprehensive solid  
22 waste management plan unless the plan or revision has been prepared  
23 with the active assistance and participation of a local solid waste  
24 advisory committee.

25 (4) There shall be no final siting decision made by a county  
26 legislative authority until public notice has been given at least two  
27 weeks in advance as to the impending decision. Further, no final  
28 decision will be made by a county legislative authority unless it is by  
29 recorded vote in an open public meeting.