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SENATE BILL 5081

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By Senator Swecker

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1 AN ACT Relating to biomedical waste treatment technologies; and  
2 amending RCW 70.95K.020.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.95K.020 and 1992 c 14 s 4 are each amended to read  
5 as follows:

6 (1) (~~At the request of an applicant,~~) The department of health,  
7 in consultation with the department of ecology and local health  
8 departments(~~(, may)~~) shall evaluate the environmental and public health  
9 impacts of biomedical waste treatment technologies. The evaluation  
10 shall be consistent with the guidelines established by the state and  
11 territorial association on alternative treatment technologies. The  
12 department shall make available the results of any evaluation to local  
13 health departments.

14 (2) All direct costs associated with the evaluation shall be paid  
15 by the applicant to the department of health or to a state or local  
16 entity designated by the department of health.

17 (3) For the purposes of this section, "applicant" means any person  
18 representing a biomedical waste treatment technology that seeks (~~an~~

1 evaluation)) approval to operate a plant by the local health  
2 jurisdiction under subsection (1) of this section.  
3 (4) The department of health may adopt rules to implement this  
4 section.

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