

Subject Unlawful shipment of infectious and pathological waste

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## Overview

House File 4017, as amended by the H4017A4 amendment, establishes regulations and penalties regarding the unlawful shipment of infectious or pathological waste to solid waste management facilities that are not approved by the Pollution Control Agency to receive such wastes. The bill also requires inspections and internal audits of generators, and appropriates money for training in the proper management and disposal of infectious and pathological waste.

## Summary

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| 1 | <p><b>[116.78] Waste management.</b></p> <p><b>Subd. 7a. Unlawful shipment of infectious or pathological waste.</b> Requires an operator of a solid waste management facility that has not been approved by the Pollution Control Agency to receive infectious or pathological waste to notify the agency immediately if it believes it has received such waste.</p>  |
| 2 | <p><b>[116.79] Management plans.</b></p> <p><b>Subd. 2a. Inspections and audits; infectious or pathological waste generators.</b> Requires the commissioners of the Pollution Control Agency and health to conduct unannounced inspections of infectious or pathological waste generators to ensure compliance with applicable state laws. Requires generators to conduct annual internal audits to ensure compliance with the generators' required plans to manage infectious or pathological waste and with state laws.</p> |
| 3 | <p><b>[116.83] Enforcement.</b></p> <p><b>Subd. 4. Unlawful transport of infectious or pathological waste; penalties.</b> Establishes penalties for a generator who unlawfully arranges for the transport of infectious or pathological waste to a solid waste management facility not approved to receive it. Directs that one-half of the penalty amount must be directed to the solid waste management facility that received the waste. Exempts</p>   |

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a generator from penalties if the waste is classified as infectious waste solely due to the presence of sharps self-administered by persons unaffiliated with the generator.

**4** **Appropriation.**

Appropriates \$50,000 in fiscal year 2027 from the general fund to the commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency to develop training courses and materials regarding the appropriate management and disposal of infectious and pathological waste.



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