

1.1 Fischer and Heintzeman from the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources
1.2 Finance and Policy to which was referred:

1.3 H. F. No. 4017, A bill for an act relating to infectious waste; requiring notice of
1.4 unlawfully transported infectious waste; requiring inspections of infectious waste generators;
1.5 assessing financial penalties for unlawfully transporting infectious waste; appropriating
1.6 money; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections 116.78, by adding a subdivision;
1.7 116.79, by adding a subdivision; 116.83, by adding a subdivision.

1.8 Reported the same back with the following amendments:

1.9 Page 1, delete lines 10 to 14 and insert:

1.10 "Subd. 7a. Unlawful shipment of infectious or pathological waste. The operator of a
1.11 solid waste management facility that has not been approved by the agency to accept infectious
1.12 or pathological waste must immediately notify the agency on receipt of any waste the
1.13 operator reasonably believes to be infectious or pathological waste. The notice must include
1.14 the date of receipt, a description of the suspected infectious or pathological waste, its volume,
1.15 and the suspected generator of the infectious or pathological waste."

1.16 Page 1, lines 18 and 20, after "infectious" insert "or pathological"

1.17 Page 1, line 21, delete "116.80" and insert "116.835" and after "Infectious" insert "or
1.18 pathological"

1.19 Page 1, line 22, delete "with management plans and applicable law" and insert "with
1.20 sections 116.76 to 116.835"

1.21 Page 2, lines 4, 5, 7, and 15, after "infectious" insert "or pathological"

1.22 Page 2, line 5, delete "person" and insert "generator of infectious or pathological waste"

1.23 Page 2, after line 16, insert:

1.24 "(c) A penalty may not be assessed under this subdivision if waste is identified as
1.25 infectious waste solely as a result of the presence of sharps that are determined to be

2.1 self-administered by individuals who are not employees or contractors of the suspected
2.2 generator."

2.3 Page 2, line 19, delete "\$....." and insert "\$50,000"

2.4 Amend the title as follows:

2.5 Page 1, line 2, after "infectious" insert "or pathological" and after the second "infectious"
2.6 insert "or pathological"

2.7 Page 1, lines 3 and 4, after "infectious" insert "or pathological"

2.8 With the recommendation that when so amended the bill be re-referred to the Committee
2.9 on Ways and Means.

2.10 This Committee action taken March 12, 2026

2.11, Co-Chair

2.12, Co-Chair