

# House Research Act Summary

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## Overview

This act is an initiative of the Office of Environmental Assistance. It makes technical changes to the Waste Management Act and repeals certain outdated rules.

### Section

- 1** Requires the Director of The Office of Environmental Assistance (OEA), rather than the Commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency (PCA), to submit recommendations along with the Commissioner of Public Service regarding the state government's resource recovery program.
- 2** Changes the reporting date from July 1 to December 1 of each odd-numbered year for the report on solid waste management policy prepared by the OEA with assistance from the PCA.
- 3** Authorizes the Director of OEA to issue grants for the delivery of technical assistance to local units of government, including solid waste management and sanitary districts, for projects that are designed to encourage alternatives to solid waste disposal. Existing law authorizes the Director of OEA to contract for the delivery of such technical assistance.
- 4** Gives the Director of OEA authority to apply up to three percentage points toward the achievement of recycling goals set by statute for a county that is implementing an approved solid waste reduction program. Under existing law, the Director of OEA must give a three percentage point credit to a county that is implementing a solid waste reduction program.
- 5** Requires the revisor to make changes updating certain obsolete statutes and rules.
- 6** Repeals certain rules which the OEA has determined are no longer necessary.