



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 80

January Session, 2025



AN ACT CONCERNING THE BURNING OF MEDICAL WASTE.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) For purposes of this
2 section:

3 (1) "Hospital waste" has the same meaning as provided in 40 CFR
4 60.51c as of January 1, 2025;

5 (2) "Medical/infectious waste" has the same meaning as provided in
6 40 CFR 60.51c as of January 1, 2025;

7 (3) "Hospital/medical/infectious waste incinerator", "HMWI" or
8 "HMWI unit" has the same meaning as provided in 40 CFR 60.51c as of
9 January 1, 2025; and

10 (4) "Treated" means any hospital, medical or infectious waste that
11 was autoclaved or subjected to other technology that reduces or
12 eliminates the infectious properties of such waste.

13 (b) On and after the effective date of this section, no person shall
14 incinerate treated or untreated hospital, medical or infectious waste or
15 accept any such waste for incineration unless such person has a permit
16 from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection,
17 pursuant to title 22a of the general statutes, that establishes

18 requirements that are not less stringent than emission requirements
 19 established as of January 1, 2025, in 40 CFR 60, Subpart Ec, Table 1B,
 20 titled "Emissions Limits for Small, Medium, and Large HMWI at
 21 Affected Facilities, as Defined in Section 60.50c(a)(3) and (4)". In the
 22 event that more stringent state or federal standards for such facilities are
 23 adopted, such standards shall apply to any such incineration facility in
 24 the state. Any exemption contained in 40 CFR 60.50c(c) to 40 CFR
 25 60.50c(f), inclusive, shall not apply to the requisite emission standards
 26 under this section.

27 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any provision
 28 of title 22a of the general statutes, not later than one hundred eighty
 29 days after the effective date of this section, any owner or operator of a
 30 facility in the state that combusts any amount of treated or untreated
 31 hospital, medical or infectious waste shall operate continuous emissions
 32 monitors for mercury and hydrochloric acid, in addition to continuous
 33 sampling for dioxins and furans that shall be used to obtain back-to-
 34 back monthly samples. All data from such monitoring and sampling
 35 shall be posted by any such owner or operator on a public Internet web
 36 site.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section

ENV Joint Favorable Subst.