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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 260.330, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to adjustments to solid waste management fees.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 260.330, RSMo, is repealed and one new section 2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 260.330, to read as follows:

260.330. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 of this section, effective October 1, 1990, each operator of a solid waste sanitary landfill shall collect a charge equal to one dollar and fifty cents per ton or its volumetric equivalent of solid waste accepted and each operator of the solid waste demolition landfill shall collect a charge equal to one dollar per ton or its volumetric equivalent of solid waste accepted. Each operator shall submit the charge, less collection costs, to the department of natural resources for deposit in the "Solid Waste Management Fund" which is hereby created. On October 1, 1992, and thereafter, the charge imposed herein shall be adjusted annually by the same 10 percentage as the increase in the general price level as measured by the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the United States, or its 11 12 successor index, as defined and officially recorded by the United States Department of Labor or its successor agency. No annual adjustment shall be 13 14 made to the charge imposed under this subsection [during] beyond October 1, 2005, [to October 1, 2014,] except an adjustment amount consistent with the need 15 16 to fund the operating costs of the department and taking into account any annual percentage increase in the total of the volumetric equivalent of solid waste 17 accepted in the prior year at solid waste sanitary landfills and demolition landfills and solid waste to be transported out of this state for disposal that is

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accepted at transfer stations. No annual increase [during] beyond October 1, 2005, [to October 1, 2014,] shall exceed the percentage increase measured by the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the United States, or its successor index, as defined and officially recorded by the United States Department of Labor or its successor agency and calculated on the percentage of revenues dedicated under subdivision (1) of subsection 2 of section 260.335. Any such annual adjustment shall only be made at the discretion of the director, subject to appropriations. Collection costs shall be established by the department and shall not exceed two percent of the amount collected pursuant to this section.

- 2. The department shall, by rule and regulation, provide for the method and manner of collection.
- 3. The charges established in this section shall be enumerated separately from the disposal fee charged by the landfill and may be passed through to persons who generated the solid waste. Moneys shall be transmitted to the department shall be no less than the amount collected less collection costs and in a form, manner and frequency as the department shall prescribe. The provisions of section 33.080 to the contrary notwithstanding, moneys in the account shall not lapse to general revenue at the end of each biennium. Failure to collect the charge does not relieve the operator from responsibility for transmitting an amount equal to the charge to the department.
- 4. The department may examine or audit financial records and landfill activity records and measure landfill usage to verify the collection and transmittal of the charges established in this section. The department may promulgate by rule and regulation procedures to ensure and to verify that the charges imposed herein are properly collected and transmitted to the department.
- 5. Effective October 1, 1990, any person who operates a transfer station in Missouri shall transmit a fee to the department for deposit in the solid waste management fund which is equal to one dollar and fifty cents per ton or its volumetric equivalent of solid waste accepted. Such fee shall be applicable to all solid waste to be transported out of the state for disposal. On October 1, 1992, and thereafter, the charge imposed herein shall be adjusted annually by the same percentage as the increase in the general price level as measured by the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the United States, or its successor index, as defined and officially recorded by the United States Department of Labor or its successor agency. No annual adjustment shall be made to the charge imposed under this subsection [during] beyond October 1,

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6. Each political subdivision which owns an operational solid waste disposal area may designate, pursuant to this section, up to two free disposal days during each calendar year. On any such free disposal day, the political subdivision shall allow residents of the political subdivision to dispose of any solid waste which may be lawfully disposed of at such solid waste disposal area free of any charge, and such waste shall not be subject to any state fee pursuant to this section. Notice of any free disposal day shall be posted at the solid waste disposal area site and in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the political subdivision no later than fourteen days prior to the free disposal day.

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