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H.B. No. 3157

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the regulation of the disposal of solid waste.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 361.0151(b), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The commission shall work in conjunction with the Texas Department of Economic Development and the Municipal Solid Waste Management and Resource Recovery Advisory Council [~~Commerce~~] to pursue the development of markets for recycled materials, including composting products.

SECTION 2. Section 361.027, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 361.027. LICENSURE OF SOLID WASTE FACILITY SUPERVISORS. The commission may implement a program under Chapter 37, Water Code, to license persons who supervise the operation or maintenance of solid waste facilities. The commission may not require a license for a person:

(1) whose primary responsibility at a solid waste facility is to transport solid waste; and

(2) who does not supervise any activity at a solid waste facility.

SECTION 3. Section 361.0641, Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 361.0641. NOTICE TO STATE SENATOR AND REPRESENTATIVE.

1 On receiving an application for, or notice of intent to file an
2 application for, a permit to construct, operate, or maintain a
3 facility to store, process, or dispose of solid waste or hazardous
4 waste, the commission shall send notice of the application or the
5 notice of intent to the district and capitol offices of the state
6 senator and representative who represent the area in which the
7 facility is or will be located.

8 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.