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An Act to Raise Funding to Support Waste Reduction, Reuse, Recycling and Composting in Maine

Reference to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources suggested and ordered printed.

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ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative BELL of Yarmouth.
Cosponsored by Representatives: DOUDERA of Camden, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach, ZEIGLER of Montville.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §2203-A, sub-§1**, as amended by PL 2021, c. 653, §1, is further
3 amended to read:

4 **1. Fees.** Unless otherwise provided by rule adopted in accordance with subsection 3,
5 fees are imposed in the following amounts to be levied for solid waste that is disposed of
6 at commercial, municipal, state-owned and regional association landfills.

7 Asbestos	\$5 per cubic 8 yard
10 Oil-contaminated soil, gravel, brick, concrete and other aggregate	\$25 per ton
12 Waste water <u>Wastewater</u> facility sludge	\$5 per ton
14 Ash, coal and oil	\$5 per ton
16 Paper mill sludge	\$5 per ton
18 Industrial waste	\$5 per ton
20 Sandblast grit	\$5 per ton
22 All other special waste	\$5 per ton
24 Municipal solid waste or municipal solid waste ash	\$2 <u>\$7</u> per ton
26 Front end process residue (FEPR)	\$1 per ton
28 Construction and demolition debris and residue from the processing of 29 construction and demolition debris	\$2 <u>\$7</u> per ton

30 **Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §2203-A, sub-§2-B** is enacted to read:

31 **2-B. Support for municipal waste reduction, reuse, recycling and composting.**
32 Five dollars per ton of the fee imposed under subsection 1 for the disposal of municipal
33 solid waste, municipal solid waste ash, construction and demolition debris and residue from
34 the processing of construction and demolition debris must be distributed to municipalities
35 to support the priorities under section 2101, subsection 1, paragraphs A, B, C and D.

36 **SUMMARY**

37 This bill increases from \$2 per ton to \$7 per ton the fee imposed on the disposal of
38 municipal solid waste, municipal solid waste ash, construction and demolition debris and
39 residue from the processing of construction and demolition debris. It also provides that \$5
40 per ton of that fee must be distributed to municipalities to support the solid waste
41 management hierarchy priorities of reduction of waste generated at the source, reuse of
42 waste, recycling of waste and composting of biodegradable waste.