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SENATE BILL NO. 409

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A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 10.1-1408.6, relating to local impact from large landfills.

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Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Natural Resources

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 10.1-1408.6 as follows: § 10.1-1408.6. Mega landfill local impact review.

Before granting a permit that approves site suitability for a new municipal solid waste landfill that will accept 3,500 tons or more of municipal solid waste per day, the Director shall analyze and determine, in writing, what impacts to local water, soil, and air quality are expected from the construction and operation of such a landfill. The Director shall impose additional conditions or requirements, including facilities, maintenance, or operation or closure practices, as are necessary to adequately protect local water, soil, and air quality from the unique characteristics of municipal solid waste landfills that accept 3,500 tons or more of municipal solid waste per day.