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Senate Bill 1010

Sponsor: Senator Phil Arthurhultz

Committee: Health Policy

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SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 1010 as introduced 9-22-88:

The bill would amend Public Act 106 of 1963, which prohibits littering, to prescribe criminal penalties for littering violations involving medical waste.

If the violation involved litter that was produced at a health facility or agency or a laboratory, as defined or described in the Public Health Code, the violation would be a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for up to six months, a maximum fine of \$1,000, or both.

If the violation involved litter that was "infectious waste", "pathological waste", or "sharps", as those terms would be defined under Senate Bill 1005, the offense would be a felony punishable by imprisonment for up to two years, a fine of up to \$5,000, or both. A person who committed a second or subsequent violation would have to be imprisoned for not less than one year nor more than five years and a fined up to \$10,000.

The bill is tie-barred to Senate Bill 1005, which would prescribe procedures for private health care practitioners, clinical laboratories, and health facilities and agencies to follow in handling, decontaminating, and disposing of infectious waste.

Proposed MCL 752.903a

Legislative Analyst: S. Margules

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have an indeterminate fiscal impact on State government by potentially expanding the caseload for law enforcement, judicial, and corrections agencies while also generating revenue through fines.

Fiscal Analyst: G. Cutler

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