

SENATE BILL No. 450

April 19, 1995, Introduced by Senator YOUNG and referred to the Committee on Health Policy and Senior Citizens.

A bill to amend section 13811 of Act No. 368 of the Public Acts of 1978, entitled as amended "Public health code," as added by Act No. 21 of the Public Acts of 1990, being section 333.13811 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Section 13811 of Act No. 368 of the Public Acts
- 2 of 1978, as added by Act No. 21 of the Public Acts of 1990, being
- 3 section 333.13811 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to
- 4 read as follows:
- 5 Sec. 13811. A producing facility shall store, decontami-
- 6 nate, and dispose of medical waste pursuant to the following:
- 7 (a) Cultures and stocks of material contaminated with an
- 8 infectious agent shall be stored in closed, puncture-resistant
- 9 containers, AND decontaminated by autoclaving or incineration,

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- 1 and disposed of in a sanitary landfill MANNER APPROVED BY THE
 2 DEPARTMENT.
- 3 (b) Blood and blood products and body fluids shall be dis-
- 4 posed of by 1 or more of the following methods:
- 5 (i) Flushing down a sanitary sewer.
- 6 (ii) Decontaminating by autoclaving or incineration.
- 7 (iii) Solidifying.
- 8 (iv) If not in liquid form, transferring to a sanitary
- 9 landfill.
- 10 (ν) A process approved by the department.
- (c) Pathological waste shall be disposed of by 1 or more of
- 12 the following methods:
- (i) Incineration or cremation.
- 14 (ii) Grinding and flushing into a sanitary sewer.
- (iii) Burial in a cemetery, if transported in leakproof con-
- 16 tainers of sufficient integrity to prevent rupture.
- (iv) Grinding until rendered unrecognizable, stored in
- 18 closed, puncture-resistant, properly labeled containers, and, if
- 19 not in liquid form, disposed of in a sanitary landfill.
- 20 (v) A process approved by the department.
- 21 (d) Sharps shall be disposed of by 1 of the following
- 22 methods:
- 23 (i) Placement in rigid, puncture-resistant containers that
- 24 are appropriately labeled and transported to a sanitary landfill
- 25 in a manner that retains the integrity of the container.
- 26 (ii) Incineration or decontamination and grinding that
- 27 renders the objects unrecognizable . Ground sharps shall be

- 1 placed in a sealed, rupture resistant container and transported
- 2 AND TRANSPORTATION to a sanitary landfill.
- 3 (iii) A process approved by the department.
- 4 (e) Animal waste contaminated with organisms infectious to
- 5 humans shall be disposed of by incineration or by burial in a
- 6 sanitary landfill in properly labeled, double containers that are
- 7 leakproof and puncture-resistant and are tightly sealed to pre-
- 8 vent escape of fluids or material. Contaminated animal organs
- 9 disposed of separately shall be rendered unrecognizable.

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