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Senate Bill 557 (Substitute S-2 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Liz Brater
Committee: Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would amend Part 115 (Solid Waste Management) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to do the following:

- Require the owner or operator of a landfill to report annually on the remaining disposal capacity at the landfill.
- Provide for the calculation of remaining capacity.
- Require the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to report disposal capacity information to the Legislature.

Under Part 115, a landfill owner or operator must submit an annual report to the State and the county and municipality in which the landfill is located, containing information on the amount of solid waste received by the landfill during the year, itemized to the extent possible by county, state, or country of origin. Under the bill, the report also would have to contain information on the amount of remaining disposal capacity at the landfill.

Remaining disposal capacity would have to be calculated as the permitted capacity less waste in place for any area that had been constructed and was not yet closed, plus the permitted capacity for each area that had a permit for construction under Part 115 but had not yet been constructed.

The bill would require the DEQ, by January 31 of each year, to submit to the Legislature a report summarizing the information obtained from landfill owners' and operators' reports.

The bill is tie-barred to Senate Bill 506, which would provide for a two-year moratorium on the construction of new landfills, but allow the expansion of existing landfills with less than five years of remaining capacity, as calculated under Senate Bill 557.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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