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To: Natural Resources Subcommittee

From: Haylee Morse-Miller, Legislative Fiscal Office

Date: May 31, 2023

Subject: SB 488 – Relating to municipal solid waste incinerators
Work Session Recommendations

SB 488 - A requires that owners or operators of municipal solid waste incinerators develop a plan to continuously monitor or sample certain emissions, and to make emissions data available to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the public. Plans are to be submitted within three months after the effective date of the measure, and DEQ may make modifications to the plan to ensure quality and accurate sampling or monitoring data. The measure requires DEQ to report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment by September 15, 2024 on monitoring progress, and to submit a report to the committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment no later than three months after the completion of the 12-month period of continuous monitoring or sampling,

The - A7 amendment includes an appropriation of \$118,537 for DEQ. Funding will be used to hire one limited duration, part-time Environmental Engineer 2, equivalent to 0.44 FTE in the 2023-25 biennium. This position will review and approve the facility plan, sampling plans, and testing and test reports.

The - A8 amendment caps combustion of hospital, medical, or infectious waste at 18,000 tons per year.

Recommended Changes

LFO recommends adoption of the –A7 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the –A7 amendment to SB 488. (VOTE)

LFO recommends adoption of the –A8 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the –A8 amendment to SB 488. (VOTE)

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that SB 488, as amended by the –A7 and –A8 amendments, be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move SB 488, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____