

# PROPOSED AMENDMENT

## HB 1348 # 4

### DIGEST

Waste. Removes the requirement that grease control equipment be installed by a licensed plumber. Provides that a wastewater treatment plant must continue to accept septage under certain circumstances. Creates a process for septage haulers to resolve disputes with wastewater treatment plants with respect to accepting septage. Specifies certain exceptions. Makes a technical correction.

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- 1 Page 3, delete lines 32 through 33.  
2 Page 3, line 34, delete "(d)" and insert "(c)".  
3 Page 3, line 34, delete "(e)," and insert "(d),".  
4 Page 3, line 40, delete "(e)" and insert "(d)".  
5 Page 4, line 17, delete "rate payers" and insert "ratepayers".  
6 Page 7, delete lines 14 through 24, begin a new paragraph and  
7 insert:  
8 **"(c) A wastewater treatment plant that has allowed for the**  
9 **disposal of septage on or after January 1, 2023, shall continue to**  
10 **allow for the disposal of septage that is picked up from within the**  
11 **unit where the wastewater treatment plant is located or a**  
12 **neighboring unit to the wastewater treatment plant. However, a**  
13 **wastewater treatment plant need not accept septage if the**  
14 **wastewater treatment plant is not:**  
15 **(1) designed to receive;**  
16 **(2) permitted to receive; or**  
17 **(3) operationally capable of receiving;**  
18 **septage in accordance with a permit approved by the department.**  
19 **(d) If a septage hauler believes that a wastewater treatment**  
20 **plant is not accepting septage in violation of subsection (c), the**  
21 **septage hauler may submit a written request to the department to**  
22 **determine whether the wastewater treatment plant must accept**  
23 **septage.**  
24 **(e) After consulting with the septage hauler and the owner of the**  
25 **wastewater treatment plant, the department shall issue:**  
26 **(1) a determination; and**

1           **(2) if applicable, an order requiring the wastewater treatment**  
2           **plant to accept septage.**

3           **(f) A determination or order issued by the department under**  
4           **this section is subject to review under IC 4-21.5."**

5           Page 7, line 25, delete "(e)" and insert "(g)".

6           Page 7, after line 26, begin a new paragraph and insert:

7           **"(h) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require a**  
8           **wastewater treatment facility to accept septage in a manner that:**

9           **(1) conflicts with its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination**  
10           **System permit or other department issued permit;**

11           **(2) causes or contributes to a treatment process upset or**  
12           **permit violation; or**

13           **(3) necessitates capital improvements or operational changes**  
14           **without full cost recovery."**

(Reference is to HB 1348 as reprinted January 28, 2026.)