

1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 150

March 4, 1999 – Introduced by Representatives SERATTI, KLUSMAN, OWENS, ALBERS, AINSWORTH, WARD, WASSERMAN, STEINBRINK, KREIBICH, RYBA, F. LASEE, HASENOHRL, MILLER, MUSSER and POWERS, cosponsored by Senators BAUMGART, SCHULTZ and WELCH. Referred to Committee on Rural Affairs and Forestry.

- 1 **AN ACT to create** 59.70 (2m), 60.23 (32) and 60.77 (5) (L) of the statutes; **relating**
2 **to:** publicizing the names of persons who illegally dump trash.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, cities, villages, towns and counties may enact zoning ordinances that regulate the areas within which the dumping of trash may be prohibited or restricted. Cities and villages may enact such ordinances and may publicize the names of persons who violate such ordinances under their home rule authority. Towns and counties may enact such ordinances under a specific statutory authorization.

Town ordinances are limited by statute, however, to areas in or along streams and natural watercourses. County ordinances may apply to other areas as well as along streams and watercourses and authorize towns and counties to publicize the names of persons who violate such ordinances.

This bill broadens the areas within which town ordinances apply. Under this bill, a town, a town sanitary district and a county may enact and enforce an ordinance that regulates illegal trash dumping. Towns and counties may provide a forfeiture for a violation of such ordinances. Also under the bill, a town, a town sanitary district commission and a county may publicize the names of persons who violate such ordinances.

