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3. Eligible Participants

- > Expand eligibility to include property owners of operating dry cleaning facilities and owners or operators of a closed dry cleaning facility that ceased operation before September 1, 1998. Owners and operators of a closed dry cleaning facility that ceased operation after September 1, 1998 will not be eligible.
- 4. License and Solvent Fee Payment Structure for Closed Facilities
 - > Require closed facilities to pay a 30-year license and solvent fee prior to receiving reimbursement. The amount of each fee is determined by multiplying previous year's respective fee average by 30 years. These fees and the required deductible must be applied to the total cleanup cost before reimbursements are made.
 - > Repeal section 292.65(6)(b) because it is no longer necessary due to above changes.
- 5. Lien on Property
 - > Require the value of a property be greater than the deductible waived.
- 6. Closed Facility Deductible
 - > Change the deductible structure for a closed facility to be the same as an active facility.
 - > Revise the required deductible for a closed facility to include the 30-year license and solvent fees.
- 7. Environmental Fund Reimburgement
 - > Require the Dry Cleaner Response Program to reimburse the Environmental Fund for all cleanup costs at a dry cleaning facility originally paid out of the Environmental Fund.
 - > Reimbursement of deductibles and fees assessed in the cleanup of a dry cleaning facility from the Environmental Fund is prohibited.
- 8. Insurance Claims
 - > Require applicants to notify DNR when they file insurance claims for any cleanup costs. This ensures DNR the opportunity to participate in private suits if it so chooses.
- 9. Formal Wear Rental Firms
 - > Exempt these firms from the license fee and reimbursement program
- 10 Fraud Protection
 - > A penalty of not less than \$10 and no more than \$10,000 will be assessed on fraudulent claims.

- 1. No person may make in any application, record, report, plan or other documents submitted to the department, any statement, representation or certification known to that person to be false or misleading.
- 2. Any person who violates this sub (1) shall be fined not less than \$10 and no more than \$10,000.
- 3. Any monetary compensation paid for violations under sub (1) will be deposited into the Dry Cleaner Environmental Fund.

Waste Management - DNR

- 1. Landfill Siting Committee Membership (See Attachment C)
 - Amend landfill siting law to state that a host community is entitled to appoint a majority of members on any siting committee regardless of how it is formed. As such, the town, city or village in which the landfill is proposed to be located may appoint 4 members or 2 more members than the total number of members on the committee, whichever is greater.

Recycling

- 1. Repeal Recycling Market Development Board Grant starting FY 2000.
- 2. For municipalities who have less than 33% of eligible expenses in determining their recycling grant award, provide a grant that equals to 33% of eligible expenses or \$8 per capita, whichever is less. (Reference: s287.23 (5)(c)(5)).
- 3. Repeal current law that requires responsible units to implement a system of volume-based fee by January 1, 2000. (Reference: 287.23(5s)(b))
- 4. Change the sunset date for grant awards from year 2000 to year 2001. (Reference 287.23 (7))

Brownfields Study Group

Incentives for Local Government

- 1. Allow Transfer of Tax Delinquent Prownfields Properties to Cities (Reference: LRB 1005)
 - Modify our previous request to require a county, after receiving a written request from the affected municipality, to either take a tax deed and ownership to a property that is subject to a tax certificate or transfer ownership of that property to the requested municipality with no consideration.
- 2. Expand Protections for Local Units of Government that Involuntarily Acquire Contaminated Property
 - > Expand municipality liability exemptions to properties acquired with stewardship funds. Municipalities would be required to enter into a negotiated agreement with DNR to ensure all cleanup conditions are met.



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