



2003 ASSEMBLY BILL 154

March 13, 2003 - Introduced by Representatives MUSSER, OTT, HAHN, OWENS,
ALBERS, HINES and BIES. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 281.49 (3) (a) 1.; and *to create* 281.49 (3) (c) of the statutes;
2 **relating to:** the requirement that a municipal sewage system accept and treat
3 septage under certain circumstances.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, from November 15 to April 15, a municipal sewage system is generally required to accept and treat septage from a person who is licensed to service septic systems. There are several exceptions to this requirement, including that a municipal sewage system is not required to accept septage if treatment of the septage would cause the sewage system to exceed its design capacity or to violate water quality standards or other legal requirements.

This bill provides that a municipal sewage system may refuse to accept and treat septage from a person who is licensed to service septic systems on the grounds that treatment of the septage would cause the sewage system to exceed its design capacity or to violate water quality standards or other legal requirements only if the Department of Natural Resources has determined that treatment of the septage would cause the sewage system to exceed its design capacity or to violate water quality standards or other legal requirements.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

