



H.B. 378

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(As Introduced)

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BILL SUMMARY

- Requires the Director of Environmental Protection, for purposes of administering the provisions of the Solid, Hazardous, and Infectious Waste Law governing solid waste facilities, to structure the jurisdiction of the district offices of the Environmental Protection Agency in such a manner that every solid waste facility that is located in a solid waste management district is within the jurisdiction of the same district office.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

For purposes of administering the state's environmental laws, the Environmental Protection Agency operates five district offices in the state: the Northwest District Office, Northeast District Office, Southwest District Office, Southeast District Office, and Central District Office (see **COMMENT 1**). The offices have regulatory responsibility within their respective regions of Ohio.

The bill requires the Director of Environmental Protection, for purposes of administering the provisions of the Solid, Hazardous, and Infectious Waste Law governing solid waste facilities, to structure the jurisdiction of the district offices of the Environmental Protection Agency in such a manner that every solid waste facility that is located in a solid waste management district (see **COMMENT 2**) is within the jurisdiction of the same district office. (R.C. 3734.511.)

COMMENT

1. Each district office is located as follows:

--Northwest District Office - Bowling Green, Ohio;

--Northeast District Office - Twinsburg, Ohio;

- Southwest District Office - Dayton, Ohio;
- Southeast District Office - Logan, Ohio;
- Central District Office - Columbus, Ohio.

2. Solid waste management districts may be organized under current law as either single county or multi-county districts. Currently, there are 52 solid waste management districts in Ohio; 15 are multi-county districts and 37 are single county districts. As an example, the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District is a single county district, and the Stark-Tuscarawas-Wayne Joint Solid Waste Management District includes three counties.

HISTORY

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