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House Bill 4099 (Substitute S-4 as reported) Sponsor: Representative Paul Gieleghem House Committee: Land Use and Environment

Senate Committee: Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would amend Part 115 (Solid Waste Management) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act to define "beverage container", and require the Director of the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to report annually on solid waste.

"Beverage container" would mean a metal, glass, paper, or plastic container, or a container composed of a combination of those materials, that was designed to be airtight and contained one gallon or less of any of the following: a soft drink, soda water, carbonated natural or mineral water, or other nonalcoholic carbonated drink; beer, ale, or other malt drink of whatever alcoholic content; or a mixed wine drink or a mixed spirit drink.

Each year, beginning February 1, 2005, the DEQ Director would have to submit a report to the standing committees of the Senate and House with responsibility for solid waste issues. The report would have to set forth all of the following:

- -- The amount and origin of the solid waste accepted for disposal in this State during the preceding fiscal year.
- -- A general characterization of the types of that waste.
- -- General trends in both the volume and kind of the waste.
- -- Any recommendations for making further changes, including necessary appropriations, to Part 115 in order to manage solid waste in Michigan properly.

The bill is tie-barred to Senate Bills 498, 500, and 502. (As passed by the House, those bills would prohibit the knowing disposal in a landfill or municipal solid waste incinerator of more than a de minimus amount of beverage containers or whole tires; set a maximum civil fine for repeated violations of Part 115; and require the DEQ to compile a list of jurisdictions that prohibited the disposal in a landfill of items banned from landfills in this State.)

The bill also is tie-barred to House Bills 5234 and 5235. (House Bill 5234 (H-1) would prohibit landfills from accepting out-of-State waste except under certain circumstances. House Bill 5235 (S-1) would require the DEQ to post on its website, and require waste haulers to notify their customers of, materials banned from landfills and disposal options.)

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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