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AN ACT CONCERNING FOOD WASTE DIVERSION AND ANAEROBIC DIGESTION FACILITIES.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: See Below

Explanation

This bill alters various laws concerning organics composting and food waste.

Section 1 expands current law requiring certain organic material generators to separate the materials from other solid waste and recycle them at composting facilities. This has no fiscal impact to the state or municipalities as it applies to private, third-parties.

Section 2 requires the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) to establish a voluntary pilot program for municipalities seeking to separate organic materials and ensure that the materials are recycled at authorized composting facilities under certain circumstances.

This may result in a minimal savings to those municipalities who choose to implement the pilot program, associated with a reduced volume of municipal solid waste (MSW) subject to tip fees. Any savings would depend on the current tip fee and the volume of MSW reduced by the organics composting program.

Section 3 reauthorizes DEEP to adopt regulations on specifications for compost from source-separated organic materials and mixed MSW

and **Section 4** exempts, under certain circumstances, permitted solid waste facilities from modifying their permits, also under certain circumstances. These sections have no fiscal impact as DEEP currently has staff with expertise for these purposes.

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State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None