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AN ACT CONCERNING THE SITING OF ANAEROBIC DIGESTION
FACILITIES ON FARMS.

AMENDMENT

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OFA Fiscal Note

Eliminates Cost In Bill

The amendment strikes the underlying bill and its associated fiscal impact.

Instead, the strike-all amendment alters the state's laws for siting and permitting exemption for on-farm anaerobic digestion (AD) facilities.

Current law exempts certain AD facilities from the requirement that operators obtain a solid waste facilities permit from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP). Instead, the amendment requires DEEP to approve or deny AD facilities permits application within 180 days. This has no fiscal impact as it is anticipated agency staff can currently perform this work with available staff.

The agency currently employs eight full-time staff who work, on average, 170 days over a 12-18-month period to process solid waste facility-specific permits.

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