By the Committee on Environmental Protection and Representatives Sembler and Dockery

A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to solid and hazardous waste 3 management; directing the Department of Environmental Protection to include in its 4 5 annual legislative budget request funding for the Southern Waste Information Exchange, Inc., 6 7 to operate and maintain a waste exchange; 8 amending s. 403.703, F.S.; redefining the term 9 "storage" and defining the term "hazardous 10 waste transfer facility"; providing an 11 effective date.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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The Legislature recognizes the need for Section 1. statewide solid and hazardous waste management assistance to Florida's private businesses, industries, and the public sector, including local units of government. In order to assist the Department of Environmental Protection in providing solid and hazardous waste management assistance to Florida's public and private sectors on a continuing basis, the Legislature recognizes the need for a waste exchange as part of the state's comprehensive solid waste and hazardous waste management programs and designates Southern Waste Information Exchange, Inc., a nonprofit Florida organization with tax-exempt status under s. 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, to provide this service to Florida's private and public sectors. The Department of Environmental Protection shall include in its annual legislative budget request pursuant to s. 216.023, Florida Statutes, funding for the Southern Waste Information Exchange, Inc. The amount of the funding to be

included in the legislative budget request shall be based on the department's evaluation of the total funding demands of the Solid Waste Management Trust Fund and of the funding needs requested by the Southern Waste Information Exchange, Inc., to operate, maintain, and expand a waste exchange service and similar related services as requested by the private sector and local governments.

Section 2. Subsection (26) of section 403.703, Florida Statutes, is amended and subsection (45) is added to said section, to read:

403.703 Definitions.--As used in this act, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the term:

- (26) "Storage" means the containment or holding of a hazardous waste, either on a temporary basis or for a period of years, in such a manner as not to constitute disposal of such hazardous waste. For the purposes of this chapter, references to the terms "storage" and "storage facilities" include management or storage of hazardous waste at hazardous waste transfer facilities.
- (45) "Hazardous waste transfer facility" means any transportation-related storage facility, including loading docks, parking areas, storage areas, and other similar areas where manifested shipments of hazardous waste are stored or held for a period of more than 24 hours but not more than 10 days.

Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2000.