

The Florida Senate
HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

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BILL: CS/HB 1609, 1st Eng. (CS/CS/SB 1822)

INTRODUCER: Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee and Rep. Weinberger and others (Rules Committee; Community Affairs Committee; and Senator Martin)

SUBJECT: Waste Incineration

DATE: May 1, 2025

I. Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment – Barcode 117705 to Senate Amendment – 413632 (body with title)

II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment – Barcode 117705 removes the provisions related to auxiliary containers. The amendment also removes the provision limiting the prohibition on new incinerators and waste-to-energy facilities to Miami-Dade County and creates an exception for existing construction and operations. The amendment provides that the feasibility study for the expansion of landfills applies to any existing landfill, regardless of the date it was permitted, within a mile of a residential property in counties with populations of 1.7 million or greater and any municipality in that county. It deletes the requirement that the Department of Environmental Protection conduct a feasibility study and have a public meeting.