

By the Committees on Rules; and Environment and Natural Resources; and Senator Gaetz

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to biosolids management; amending s.
3 403.0855, F.S.; prohibiting the Department of
4 Environmental Protection from issuing or renewing a
5 permit for certain biosolids land application sites if
6 there is a permitted wastewater treatment facility
7 that accepts septage for higher levels of treatment
8 and which meets specified requirements; providing an
9 effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Present subsection (6) of section 403.0855,
14 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (7), and a new
15 subsection (6) is added to that section, to read:

16 403.0855 Biosolids management.—

17 (6) The department may not issue or renew a permit for a
18 land application site which authorizes disposal or land
19 application of septage, as defined in rule 62-640.200(43),
20 Florida Administrative Code, as Class B biosolids if there is a
21 permitted wastewater treatment facility that accepts septage for
22 higher levels of treatment which is:

23 (a) Less than 30 miles from a proposed Class B biosolids
24 land application site;

25 (b) Owned or operated by the Federal Government or a
26 federal agency, a state government body or agency, or a
27 political subdivision of this state; and

28 (c) Not defunct, used for other purposes, or out of
29 capacity.

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2027.