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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 4846 2 AMENDMENT NO. . Amend House Bill 4846 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following: 3 "Section 5. The Solid Waste Site Operator Certification 4 Law is amended by changing Sections 1004, 1005, 1006, 1007, 5 1009, 1010, and 1011 as follows: 6 7 (225 ILCS 230/1004) (from Ch. 111, par. 7854) Sec. 1004. Prohibition. Beginning January 1, 1992, no 8 person shall cause or allow the operation of a landfill 9 10 permitted or required to be permitted by the Agency unless the landfill has on its operational staff at least one natural 11 12 person certified as competent by the Agency under the 13 provisions of this Act. (a) For landfill sites which accept non-hazardous solid 14 15 waste other than clean construction or demolition debris, the

landfill shall have a Class A Solid Waste Site Operator

- 1 certified by the Agency who is responsible for directing
- 2 landfill operations or supervising other operational staff in
- 3 performing landfill operations.
- 4 (b) (Blank). For landfill sites which accept only clean
- 5 construction or demolition debris, the landfill shall have a
- 6 Class A or B Solid Waste Site Operator certified by the Agency
- 7 who is responsible for directing landfill operations or
- 8 supervising other operational staff in performing landfill
- 9 operations.
- 10 (c) For landfill sites which accept special waste, the
- 11 landfill shall have a $\frac{Class}{A}$ Solid Waste Site Operator
- 12 certified by the Agency who has received a certification
- 13 endorsement for the acceptance of special waste and who is
- 14 responsible for directing landfill operations or supervising
- other operational staff in performing landfill operations.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 86-1363.)
- 17 (225 ILCS 230/1005) (from Ch. 111, par. 7855)
- 18 Sec. 1005. Agency authority. The Agency is authorized to
- 19 exercise the following functions, powers and duties with
- 20 respect to solid waste site operator certification:
- 21 (a) To conduct examinations, as well as to approve the
- use of examinations conducted by third parties, to
- ascertain the qualifications of applicants for
- certificates of competency as solid waste site operators;
- 25 (b) To conduct courses of training on the practical

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1	aspects of the design, operation and maintenance of
2	sanitary landfills;
3	(c) To issue a certificate to any applicant who has
4	satisfactorily met all the requirements pertaining to a
5	certificate of competency as a solid waste site operator;
6	(d) To suspend, revoke or refuse to issue any
7	certificate for any one or any combination of the
8	following causes:
9	(1) The practice of any fraud or deceit in
10	obtaining or attempting to obtain a certificate of
11	competency;
12	(2) Negligence or misconduct in the operation of a
13	sanitary landfill;
14	(3) Repeated failure to comply with any of the
15	requirements applicable to the operation of a sanitary
16	landfill, except for Board requirements applicable to
17	the collection of litter;
18	(4) Repeated violations of federal, State or local
19	laws, regulations, standards, or ordinances regarding
20	the operation of refuse disposal facilities or sites;
21	(5) For a holder of a certificate, conviction in
22	this or another State of any crime which is a felony
23	under the laws of this State or conviction of a felony
24	in a federal court; for an applicant, consideration of

such conviction shall be in accordance with Section

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L	(6) Proof of gross carelessness or incompetence in
2	handling, storing, processing, transporting, or
3	disposing of any hazardous waste; or
1	(7) Being declared to be a person under a legal

- (7) Being declared to be a person under a legal disability by a court of competent jurisdiction and not thereafter having been lawfully declared to be a person not under legal disability or to have recovered.
- 9 (e) To adopt rules necessary to perform its functions,
 10 powers, and duties with respect to solid waste site
 11 operator certifications.
- 12 (Source: P.A. 100-286, eff. 1-1-18.)
- 13 (225 ILCS 230/1006) (from Ch. 111, par. 7856)
- Sec. 1006. Certification classifications. Solid Waste Site

 Operators shall be certified in accordance with the following

 classifications:
- 17 (a) Class "A" Solid Waste Site Operator certificates shall
 18 be issued to those persons who in accordance with the
 19 provisions of this Section demonstrate a practical working
 20 knowledge of the design, operation, and maintenance of
 21 sanitary landfills in the following areas:
- 22 (1) unloading, spreading, and compacting of waste, 23 litter collection, and vector abatement;
 - (2) traffic control of vehicles delivering waste;
- 25 (3) application, maintenance, and inspection of cover

1	and cover requirements under Board rules and Agency
2	permits;
3	(4) fire control, on-site personnel safety
4	requirements, and contingency plan implementation;
5	(5) leachate control operation, leachate management,
6	and landfill gas management;
7	(6) identification of classes of waste;
8	(7) causes for revocation or suspension of
9	certificates;
10	(8) reporting and recordkeeping required by Board and
11	Agency regulations and Agency permits;
12	(9) financial assurance and groundwater monitoring
13	requirements;
14	(10) development and implementation of contingency
15	plans, closure plans, post closure plans, and corrective
16	action; and
17	(11) requirements for payment of fees.
18	(b) (Blank). Class "B" Solid Waste Operator Certificates
19	shall be issued to those persons who demonstrate a practical
20	working knowledge of the design, operation, and maintenance of
21	landfill sites accepting only clean construction or demolition
22	debris in the following areas:
23	(1) unloading and spreading of waste;
24	(2) traffic control of vehicles delivering waste;
25	(3) application, maintenance, and inspection of cover
26	and cover requirement under Board rules and Agency

Τ	permits;
2	(4) fire control, on-site personnel safety segments
3	and contingency plan implementation;
4	(5) leachate control operation and leachate
5	management;
6	(6) identification of classes of waste;
7	(7) causes for revocation or suspension of
8	<pre>certificates;</pre>
9	(8) reporting and recordkeeping required by Board and
10	Agency regulations and Agency permits;
11	(9) financial assurance and groundwater requirements;
12	and
13	(10) development and implementation of contingency
14	plans, closure plans, post closure plans, and corrective
15	action.
16	(c) Special waste certificate endorsements shall be issued
17	to those persons who are certified as Class A Solid Waste Site
18	Operators in accordance with the provisions of this Section,
19	and who demonstrate a practical working knowledge of the
20	design, operation, and maintenance of sanitary landfills
21	relative to the acceptance and disposal of special wastes.
22	(Source: P.A. 86-1363.)
23	(225 ILCS 230/1007) (from Ch. 111, par. 7857)
24	Sec. 1007. Qualifications. Every solid waste site operator
25	certified by the Agency shall be capable of performing his

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duties without endangering the public health or the environment and without violating the requirements applicable to operation of sanitary landfills; shall be able to read and write English; shall produce evidence acceptable to the Agency as to his ability to maintain and operate properly the structures and equipment entrusted to his care; and shall satisfactorily demonstrate to the Agency a practical working knowledge of the design, operation, and maintenance of sanitary landfills appropriate to the classification for which certification is sought. In addition, persons shall be certified as Class "A" or Class "B" based on level of competency determined by examination and in accordance with educational and experience levels as follows:

(a) Class "A" Certificates.

- (1) Graduation from high school or equivalent and not less than 2 years of acceptable study, training, and responsible experience in sanitary landfill operation or management, or not less than 7 years of acceptable study training and responsible experience in operation or management of earth moving equipment; or
- (2) Grammar school completion or equivalent and not less than 15 years of acceptable study, training, and responsible experience in sanitary landfill operation or management.

(b) Class "B" Certificates.

(1) Graduation from high school or equivalent and not

less than 6 months of acceptable study, training, and
responsible experience in sanitary landfill operation or
management, or not less than 3 years of acceptable study
training and responsible experience in operation or
management of earth moving equipment; or

(2) Grammar school completion or equivalent and not less than 5 years of acceptable study, training, and responsible experience in sanitary landfill operation or management.

10 (Source: P.A. 86-1363.)

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- 11 (225 ILCS 230/1009) (from Ch. 111, par. 7859)
- 12 Sec. 1009. Examinations.
- 13 (a) Applicants shall undergo examinations Examinations 14 provided or approved by the Agency shall be given to applicants for the purpose of determining if the applicants 15 can demonstrate a practical working knowledge of the design, 16 operation, and maintenance of sanitary landfills appropriate 17 to the classification for which certification is sought. No 18 19 certificate shall be issued prior to successful completion of 20 the applicable examination.
 - (b) Examinations shall be conducted or approved by the Agency, and shall be held not less frequently than annually.

 The Agency shall maintain on its website information regarding the examinations, at times and places prescribed by the Agency, of which applicants shall be notified in writing.

- 1 (Source: P.A. 86-1363.)
- 2 (225 ILCS 230/1010) (from Ch. 111, par. 7860)
- 3 Sec. 1010. Certificates.
- 4 (a) The Solid Waste Site Operator Certificate shall
- 5 certify the competency of the applicant within the class of
- 6 the certificate issued, and shall show the full name of the
- 7 applicant, have an identifying number, and be signed by the
- 8 Director.
- 9 (b) Certificates shall be issued for a period of 3 years,
- 10 with the expiration date being 3 years from the first day of
- 11 October of the calendar year in which the certificate is
- 12 issued.
- 13 (c) Every 3 years, on or before the October 1 expiration, a
- 14 certified solid waste site operator shall renew his
- 15 certificate of competency and pay the required renewal fee. A
- 16 grace period for renewal will be granted until November 1 of
- that year before the reinstatement penalty is assessed.
- 18 (d) At the time of certificate renewal, the applicant
- 19 shall certify the completion of 15 hours of continuing
- 20 education covering the operation of landfills during the
- 21 preceding 3 years. Continuing education used to satisfy this
- 22 subsection must be approved by the Agency and must cover the
- 23 design, operation, and maintenance of sanitary landfills as
- set forth in Section 1006 of this Act, and for certificates
- 25 that include a special waste endorsement, continuing education

- must cover the operation of landfills relative to the 1
- acceptance and disposal of special wastes demonstrate 2
- 3 competency in the same manner as a new applicant.
- 4 (Source: P.A. 86-1363.)
- 5 (225 ILCS 230/1011) (from Ch. 111, par. 7861)
- Sec. 1011. Fees. 6
- 7 (a) Fees for the issuance or renewal of a Solid Waste Site Operator Certificate shall be as follows: 8
- 9 (1)(A) \$400 for issuance or renewal for Class A Solid 10 Waste Site Operators;
- (B) (blank); and \$200 for issuance or renewal for 11 Class B Solid Waste Site Operators; and 12
- 13 (C) \$100 for issuance or renewal for special waste 14 endorsements.
- (2) If the fee for renewal is not paid within the grace 15 period the above fees for renewal shall each be increased by \$ 16 50. 17
- 18 (b) (Blank). Before the effective date of this amendatory 19 Act of the 98th General Assembly, all fees collected by the 20 Agency under this Section shall be deposited into the 21 Hazardous Waste Occupational Licensing Fund. The Agency is 22 authorized to use monies in the Hazardous Waste Occupational Licensing Fund to perform its functions, powers, and duties 23 2.4 under this Section.
- (c) All On and after the effective date of this amendatory 25

- Act of the 98th General Assembly, all fees collected by the 1
- Agency under this Section shall be deposited into the 2
- Environmental Protection Permit and Inspection Fund to be used 3
- 4 in accordance with the provisions of subsection (a) of Section
- 5 22.8 of the Environmental Protection Act.
- (Source: P.A. 98-692, eff. 7-1-14; 98-822, eff. 8-1-14.)". 6