

# -HB 53-

## What It Does



### Litter Abatement Expendable Special Revenue Fund

Bill creates new fund specifically designated for litter cleanup efforts, public awareness campaigns, and increased enforcement of littering and unsecured load laws. Funding comes from specific vehicle registration fees and a portion of the landfill fees for unsecured loads is key in sustaining state litter abatement efforts.



### Changes to Current Code

Amends multiple sections to strengthen enforcement and increase penalties for littering and unsecured loads, creates a tiered penalty system for unsecured loads, with more serious penalties for violations that lead to accidents, especially those involving serious bodily injury or death. Introduces a minimum fine for littering violations and clarifies that throwing lighted materials from a vehicle is a class C misdemeanor.



### Addition of Landfill Fees for Unsecured Loads

Introduces a minimum \$10 fee for vehicles with unsecured loads at landfills, \$5 of this fee goes into the Litter Abatement Expendable Special Revenue Fund to further support the state's litter abatement programs. Landfills must also provide annual reports on violations, creating more accountability and data for the state.



