

**MEDICAL WASTE INCINERATION PROHIBITION**

2014 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Todd Weiler**

House Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill deals with the incineration of medical waste.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ prohibits the Division of Solid and Hazardous Waste from approving an operation plan or issuing a permit to a facility that:
  - incinerates medical waste within a two-mile radius of a residential area; and
  - is not in operation on May 13, 2014; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:

**19-6-124**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **19-6-124** is enacted to read:



- 28            **19-6-124. Incineration of medical waste.**  
29            (1) As used in this section, "medical waste" means:  
30            (a) solid waste generated in the:  
31            (i) diagnosis, treatment, or immunization of a human or animal; or  
32            (ii) production or testing of a drug or vaccine;  
33            (b) a culture or stock of an infectious agent; or  
34            (c) a specimen from a medical, pathological, pharmaceutical, research, commercial, or  
35 industrial laboratory.  
36            (2) Except as provided in Subsection (3), the division may not approve an operation  
37 plan or issue a permit for a facility that:  
38            (a) incinerates medical waste; and  
39            (b) is located within a two-mile radius of a residential area.  
40            (3) The division may renew an operation plan or renew a permit for a facility that does  
41 not qualify under Subsection (2) if the facility is in operation on May 13, 2014.

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