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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2001–02 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2770**

**Introduced by Assembly Members Matthews and Bogh**

February 25, 2002

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An act to amend ~~Sections 40194 and 40201~~ *Section 40194* of, and to add Sections 40005, 40107, and 40117 to, the Public Resources Code, relating to solid waste.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2770, as amended, Matthews. Solid waste: conversion technologies: alternative fuels.

Existing law requires the California Integrated Waste Management Board to administer state programs to recycle solid waste, plastic trash bags, plastic packaging containers, waste tires, newsprint, and other specified materials.

This bill would add and modify certain definitions relating to solid waste.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 40005 is added to the Public Resources  
2 Code, to read:



1 40005. The Legislature hereby finds and declares that it is the  
2 intent of the Legislature to develop a framework for local  
3 jurisdictions and companies that is conducive to developing  
4 conversion facilities in California that manage residual solid waste  
5 from which recyclable materials have been substantially diverted  
6 or removed, and which are otherwise destined for landfills. It is the  
7 further intent of the Legislature to establish a program for the  
8 research, demonstration, evaluation, and promotion of new and  
9 emerging technologies that can convert postrecycled materials  
10 otherwise destined for landfills into new sources of energy,  
11 alternative fuels, chemicals, and other products.

12 SEC. 2. Section 40107 is added to the Public Resources Code,  
13 to read:

14 40107. “Bioreactor landfill” means a municipal solid waste  
15 landfill unit where liquids or air, in addition to leachate and gas  
16 condensate, is injected in a controlled manner into the waste mass  
17 to accelerate or enhance the biostabilization of the waste.

18 SEC. 3. Section 40117 is added to the Public Resources Code,  
19 to read:

20 40117. “Conversion” means the processing of residual solid  
21 waste from which *marketable*, recyclable materials have been  
22 substantially diverted or removed, or both, to produce products,  
23 including, but not limited to, electricity, alternative fuels,  
24 chemicals, or other products that meet quality standards for use in  
25 the marketplace, if the processing is through noncombustion  
26 thermal means, chemical means, or biological means, and not  
27 through composting.

28 SEC. 4. Section 40194 of the Public Resources Code is  
29 amended to read:

30 40194. “Solid waste facility” includes a solid waste transfer  
31 or processing station, a composting facility, a conversion facility,  
32 a transformation facility, and a disposal facility.

33 ~~SEC. 5. Section 40201 of the Public Resources Code is~~  
34 ~~amended to read:~~

35 ~~40201. “Transformation” means the incineration of solid~~  
36 ~~waste. “Transformation” does not include composting,~~  
37 ~~conversion, or biomass conversion.~~

