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To: Conservation and Water Resources

HOUSE BILL NO. 603

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTIONS 17-17-5, 17-17-317, 19-3-101, 1 19-5-17 AND 21-19-1, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO PROVIDE THAT A 2 COUNTY, MUNICIPALITY, REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY OR COUNTY COOPERATIVE SERVICE DISTRICT THAT PROVIDES ITS OWN GARBAGE, 3 4 RUBBISH OR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION OR DISPOSAL SERVICES AND DOES 5 NOT CONTRACT WITH A PRIVATE COMPANY OR BUSINESS TO PERFORM THOSE 6 7 SERVICES MAY MAKE THE SERVICE AVAILABLE ONLY FOR COLLECTION OR 8 DISPOSAL OF RESIDENTIAL GENERATORS OF GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND SOLID WASTE AND MAY NOT PROVIDE THESE SERVICES FOR INDUSTRIAL OR 9 10 COMMERCIAL GENERATORS OF GARBAGE, RUBBISH OR SOLID WASTE EXCEPT WHERE THERE IS NOT AVAILABLE A PRIVATE COMPANY OR BUSINESS TO 11 PROVIDE SUCH SERVICES FOR INDUSTRIAL OR COMMERCIAL GENERATORS; TO 12 PROVIDE THAT WHERE THERE IS NOT AVAILABLE A PRIVATE COMPANY OR 13 BUSINESS TO PROVIDE GARBAGE, RUBBISH OR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION OR 14 DISPOSAL SERVICES FOR INDUSTRIAL OR COMMERCIAL GENERATORS, THE 15 COUNTY, MUNICIPALITY, AUTHORITY OR DISTRICT SHALL COLLECT AND 16 DISPOSE OF RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND SOLID WASTE SEPARATE 17 18 AND APART FROM INDUSTRIAL OR COMMERCIAL GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND SOLID WASTE AND SHALL NOT MIX OR COMBINE RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE, RUBBISH 19 20 AND SOLID WASTE WITH INDUSTRIAL OR COMMERCIAL GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND SOLID WASTE; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES. 21

22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: 23 SECTION 1. Section 17-17-5, Mississippi Code of 1972, is

24 amended as follows:

25 17-17-5. (1) After December 31, 1992, the board of supervisors and/or municipal governing body shall provide for the 26 27 collection and disposal of garbage and the disposal of rubbish. The board of supervisors and/or municipal governing body may 28 provide such collection or disposal services by contract with 29 30 private or other controlling agencies, and the service may include house-to-house service or the placement of regularly serviced and 31 controlled bulk refuse receptacles within reasonable distance from 32 the farthest affected household, and the wastes disposed of in a 33 manner acceptable to the department and within the meaning of this 34 35 chapter. The board of supervisors and/or municipal governing body shall have the power to and are hereby authorized to enter into 36

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contracts related in any manner to the collection and 37 38 transportation of solid wastes for a term of up to six (6) years 39 and to enter into contracts related in any manner to the 40 generation and sale of energy generated from solid waste, and 41 contracts for treatment, processing, distribution, recycling, elimination or disposal of solid wastes for a term of up to thirty 42 (30) years. The municipal governing body of any municipality is 43 authorized to regulate the disposal of garbage and rubbish in 44 sanitary landfills, as provided in Section 21-19-1. 45 If a county or municipality provides its own garbage, 46 (2)47 rubbish or solid waste collection or disposal service and does not contract with a private company or business to perform this 48 49 service, the county or municipality may make this service available only for collection or disposal of residential 50 generators of garbage, rubbish and solid waste and may not provide 51 the service for industrial or commercial generators of garbage, 52 53 rubbish or solid waste except in a county or municipality where there is not available a private company or business to provide 54 garbage, rubbish or solid waste collection or disposal services 55 56 for industrial or commercial generators. In a county or municipality where there is not available a private company or 57 business to provide garbage, rubbish or solid waste collection or 58 disposal services for industrial or commercial generators, the 59 county or municipality shall collect and dispose of residential 60 garbage, rubbish and solid waste separate and apart from 61 industrial or commercial garbage, rubbish and solid waste and 62 63 shall not mix or combine residential garbage, rubbish and solid waste with industrial or commercial garbage, rubbish and solid 64 65 waste. In the event an unincorporated area which is annexed by 66 (3) 67 a municipality is being provided collection and disposal of 68 garbage and rubbish under contract with private or other controlling agencies, the municipality shall annex the area 69

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72 SECTION 2. Section 17-17-317, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 73 amended as follows:

17-17-317. (1) From and after the creation of an authority it shall be a public corporation participating under its corporate name and shall, in that name, be a body politic and corporate with all the rights and powers necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of Sections 17-17-301 through 17-17-349, including, but not limited to the following:

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(a) To sue and be sued in its own name;

81 (b) To adopt an official seal and alter the same at82 pleasure;

83 (c) To maintain an office or offices at such place or
84 places within the management area as it may determine;

(d) To acquire, construct, improve, or modify, to 85 operate or cause to be operated and maintained, either as owner of 86 87 all or of any part in common with others, a project or projects within the counties or municipalities in the district and, to pay 88 89 all or part of the cost of any such project or projects from the proceeds of bonds of the authority or from any contribution or 90 91 loans by persons, firms, public agencies or corporations or from any other contribution or user fees, all of which the authority is 92 authorized to receive, accept, and use and to pay all cost of 93 94 operation and maintenance as may be determined as necessary for preparation of any project; 95

96 (e) To acquire, in its own name, by purchase on such terms and conditions and in such manner as it may deem proper, by 97 condemnation in accordance with all laws applicable to the 98 condemnation of property for public use, or by gift, grant, lease, 99 100 or otherwise, real property or easements therein, franchises and 101 personal property necessary or convenient for its corporate 102 These purposes shall include, but are not limited to, purposes.

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the constructing or acquiring of a project; the improving, 103 104 extending, reconstructing, renovating, or remodeling of any existing project or part thereof; or the demolition to make room 105 106 for such project or any part thereof and to insure the same 107 against any and all risks as such insurance may, from time to 108 time, be available. The authority may also use such property and 109 rent or lease the same to or from others including public agencies or make contracts for the use thereof or sell, lease, exchange, 110 transfer, assign, pledge, mortgage or grant a security interest 111 for any such property, provided that the powers to acquire, use, 112 113 and dispose of property as set forth in this paragraph shall include the power to acquire, use, and dispose of any interest in 114 such property, whether divided or undivided. Title to any such 115 property of the authority, however, shall be held by the authority 116 exclusively for the benefit of the public; 117

(f) To make, enforce, amend and repeal bylaws and rules and regulations for the management of its business and affairs and for the use, maintenance and operation of any of its project facilities and any other of its properties;

(g) To fix, charge, collect, maintain, and revise rates, fees and other charges for any services rendered by it to any person or public agency;

To make contracts and leases with any person or 125 (h) public agency and to execute all instruments necessary or 126 127 convenient for construction, operation, and maintenance of projects and leases of projects; and including the closure, 128 129 post-closure maintenance and any required corrective action involving a project provided that all private persons, firms, and 130 corporations, this state, and all units of local government, 131 departments, instrumentalities, or agencies of the state or of 132 local government are authorized to enter into contracts, leases or 133 134 agreements with the authority, upon such terms and for such purposes as they deem advisable; and, without limiting the 135

H. B. No. 603 03/HR40/R820 PAGE 4 (JWB\BD) generality of the above, authority is specifically granted to municipalities and counties and to the authority to enter into contracts, lease agreements, or other undertaking relative to the furnishing of project activities and facilities or either of them by the authority to such municipalities and counties and by such municipalities and counties to the authority for a term not exceeding thirty (30) years;

(i) To borrow money and to issue bonds for any of its purposes, except bonds may not be issued for operating costs, to provide for and secure the payment thereof, and to provide for the rights of the holders thereof;

(j) To invest any monies of the authority, including proceeds from the sale of any bonds subject to any agreements with bondholders, on such terms and in such manner as the authority deems proper;

151 (k) To exercise any one or more of the powers, rights, and privileges conferred by Sections 17-17-301 through 17-17-349 152 153 either alone or jointly or in common with one or more other public or private parties. In any such exercise of such powers, rights, 154 155 and privileges jointly or in common with others for the construction, operation, and maintenance of facilities, the 156 157 authority may own an undivided interest in such facilities with 158 any other party with which it may jointly or in common exercise the rights and privileges conferred by Sections 17-17-301 through 159 160 17-17-349 and may enter into an agreement or agreements with respect to any such facility with the other party or parties 161 162 participating therein. An agreement may contain such terms, conditions, and provisions, consistent with this section, as the 163 parties thereto shall deem to be in their best interest, 164 165 including, but not limited to, provisions for the construction, 166 operation, and maintenance of such facility by any one or more 167 party of the parties to such agreement. The party or parties 168 shall be designated in or pursuant to such agreement as agent or

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agents on behalf of itself and one or more of the other parties 169 170 thereto, or by such other means as may be determined by the parties thereto, and including provisions for a method or methods 171 172 of determining and allocating, among or between the parties, costs 173 of construction, operation, maintenance, renewals, replacements, improvements, and disposal related to such facility. In carrying 174 175 out its functions and activities as such agent with respect to construction, operation, and maintenance of such a facility, such 176 177 agent shall be governed by the laws and regulations applicable to such agent as a separate legal entity and not by any laws or 178 179 regulations which may be applicable to any of the other participating parties. The agent shall act for the benefit of the 180 181 public. The authority shall not delegate its right of eminent domain or power of condemnation. Pursuant to any such agreement, 182 the authority may delegate its powers and duties related to the 183 construction, operation, and maintenance of such facility to the 184 party acting as agent and all actions taken by such agent in 185 186 accordance with the agreement may be binding upon the authority without further action or approval of the authority; 187

188 (1) To apply, contract for, accept, receive and administer gifts, grants, appropriations, and donations of money, 189 190 materials, and property of any kind, including loans and grants from the United States, the state, a unit of local government, or 191 any agency, department, authority, or instrumentality of any of 192 193 the foregoing, upon such terms and conditions as the United States, the state, a unit of local government, or such agency, 194 195 department, authority, or instrumentality shall impose; to administer trusts; and to sell, lease, transfer, convey, 196 appropriate and pledge any and all of its property and assets; 197 198 To do any and all things necessary or proper for (m) the accomplishment of the objectives of this section and to 199

200 exercise any power usually possessed by private corporations201 performing similar functions which is not in conflict with the

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Constitution and laws of the state, including the power to employ 202 professional and administrative staff and personnel and to retain 203 legal, engineering, fiscal, accounting and other professional 204 205 services; the power to purchase all kinds of insurance, including 206 without limitations, insurance against tort liability and against 207 risks of damage to property; and the power to act as self-insurer with respect to any loss or liability. The obligations of the 208 authority other than revenue bonds shall be payable from the 209 general funds of the authority and shall not be a charge against 210 any special fund allocated to the payment of revenue bonds; 211

212 (n) To borrow money and issue its bonds from time to time and to use the proceeds to pay all or part of the capital 213 214 costs of any project, or for closure, corrective action or post-closure maintenance of such project or for refunding any such 215 bonds of the authority; and otherwise to carry out the purposes of 216 this section and to pay all other capital costs but not operating 217 costs of the authority incident to, or necessary and appropriate 218 219 to, such purposes, including the providing of funds to be paid into any fund to secure such bonds and notes and to provide for 220 221 the rights of the holder thereof;

(o) To assume or continue any contractual or other
business relationships entered into by the municipalities or
counties who are members of the authority, including the rights to
receive and acquire transferred rights under option to purchase
agreements and permit application;

(p) To enter on any lands, waters, or premises for the purpose of making surveys, borings, soundings and examinations for the purposes of the authority;

(q) To do and perform any acts and things authorized by Sections 17-17-301 through 17-17-349 under, through or by means of its officers, agents and employees, or by contracts with any person;

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To enter into any and all contracts, execute any 234 (r) and all instruments, and do and perform any and all acts or things 235 necessary, convenient or desirable for the purposes of the 236 237 authority, or to carry out any power expressly granted in Sections 238 17-17-301 through 17-17-349 including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, contracts with public agencies, and 239 such public agencies are hereby also empowered to enter into such 240 contracts with the authority, which may include provisions for 241 242 exclusive dealing, fee payment requirements, territorial division, and other conduct or arrangements which may have an 243 244 anticompetitive effect;

(s) To enter into contracts with any municipality or county which is a member of the authority for the closure or post-closure maintenance of a municipal solid waste management facility owned and operated by such county or municipality; and

(t) To exercise the power of eminent domain for the particular purpose of the acquisition of property designated by plan to sufficiently accommodate the location of facilities, and such requirements related directly thereto pursuant to Chapter 27, Title 11, Mississippi Code of 1972.

254 (2) A regional solid waste management authority may 255 establish, operate and make available a garbage, rubbish or solid 256 waste collection or disposal service for counties and municipalities that are members of the authority only for 257 258 collection or disposal of residential generators of garbage, rubbish and solid waste and may not provide this service for 259 260 industrial or commercial generators of garbage, rubbish or solid waste except in a county or municipality that is a member of the 261 authority where there is not available a private company or 262 263 business to provide garbage, rubbish or solid waste collection or disposal services for industrial or commercial generators. In a 264 265 county or municipality that is a member of a regional solid waste 266 management authority where there is not available a private

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268 collection or disposal services for industrial or commercial

269 generators, the authority shall collect and dispose of residential

270 garbage, rubbish and solid waste separate and apart from

271 industrial or commercial garbage, rubbish and solid waste and

272 shall not mix or combine residential garbage, rubbish and solid

273 waste with industrial or commercial garbage, rubbish and solid 274 waste.

275 **SECTION 3.** Section 19-3-101, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 276 amended as follows:

277 19-3-101. (1) The board of supervisors of any county in this state may, by order duly entered on its minutes, join with 278 279 any other county or counties in this state to establish a county cooperative service district for the purpose of instituting 280 planning and mutual cooperation among counties to improve the 281 delivery of services to, and the provision of benefits for, all 282 283 citizens of participating counties by the joint financing, 284 construction and administration of governmental services and 285 facilities.

286 (2) Any power, authority or responsibility which may be lawfully exercised by a county, except for the imposition of taxes 287 288 and except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section, may be exercised jointly by participating counties 289 through the board of commissioners of a county cooperative service 290 291 district, hereinafter in Sections 19-3-101 through 19-3-115, referred to as the "district," unless in a resolution of a board 292 293 of supervisors creating the district the exercise of a particular power is specifically excluded. The district shall have authority 294 to prepare or have prepared a water resources study or other 295 environmental studies; however, any action by the district which 296 297 will have an impact upon groundwater resources shall only be 298 implemented consistent with an official statewide water management

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299 plan or with the approval of the Commission on <u>Environmental</u> 300 Quality.

(3) If a county cooperative service district establishes a 301 302 garbage, rubbish or solid waste collection or disposal service, 303 the district may make the service available only for collection or disposal of residential generators of garbage, rubbish and solid 304 waste and may not provide the service for industrial or commercial 305 generators of garbage, rubbish or solid waste except in a county 306 307 within the service district where there is not available a private company or business to provide garbage, rubbish or solid waste 308 309 collection or disposal services for industrial or commercial generators. In a county within a cooperative service district 310 311 where there is not available a private company or business to provide garbage, rubbish or solid waste collection or disposal 312 services for industrial or commercial generators, the district 313 shall collect and dispose of residential garbage, rubbish and 314 solid waste separate and apart from industrial or commercial 315 316 garbage, rubbish and solid waste and shall not mix or combine residential garbage, rubbish and solid waste with industrial or 317 318 commercial garbage, rubbish and solid waste.

319 **SECTION 4.** Section 19-5-17, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 320 amended as follows:

19-5-17. After December 31, 1992, the board of supervisors 321 of any county in the state shall provide for the collection and 322 323 disposal of garbage and the disposal of rubbish, and for that purpose is required to establish, operate and maintain a garbage 324 325 and/or rubbish disposal system or systems; to acquire property, real or personal, by contract, gift or purchase, necessary or 326 proper for the maintenance and operation of such system; to make 327 all necessary rules and regulations for the collection and 328 disposal of garbage and/or rubbish and, if it so desires, to 329 330 establish, maintain and collect rates, fees and charges for collecting and disposing of such garbage and/or rubbish; and, in 331

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its discretion, to enter into contracts, in the manner required by 332 333 law, with individuals, associations or corporations for the establishment, operation and maintenance of a garbage and rubbish 334 335 disposal system or systems, and/or to enter into contracts on such 336 terms as the board of supervisors thinks proper with any municipality, other county or region, enabling the county to use 337 jointly with such municipality, other county or region any 338 collection system, authorized rubbish landfill or permitted 339 sanitary landfill operated by the municipality, other county or 340 The board of supervisors shall designate by order the 341 region. 342 area to be served by the system. All persons in the county generating garbage shall utilize a garbage collection and disposal 343 344 However, this provision shall not prohibit any person system. from managing solid waste generated by such person in any 345 municipal solid waste management facility owned by the generator. 346 If a county provides its own garbage, rubbish or solid waste 347

collection or disposal service and does not contract with a 348 349 private company or business to perform this service, the county may make the service available only for collection or disposal of 350 351 residential generators of garbage, rubbish and solid waste and may not provide the service for industrial or commercial generators of 352 353 garbage, rubbish or solid waste unless there is not available in 354 the county a private company or business to provide garbage, rubbish or solid waste collection or disposal services for 355 356 industrial or commercial generators. In a county where there is not available a private <u>company or business to provide garbage</u>, 357 358 rubbish or solid waste collection or disposal services for industrial or commercial generators, the county shall collect and 359 dispose of residential garbage, rubbish and solid waste separate 360 and apart from industrial or commercial garbage, rubbish and solid 361 waste and shall not mix or combine residential garbage, rubbish 362 363 and solid waste with industrial or commercial garbage, rubbish and

364 <u>solid waste.</u>

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As a necessary incident to such county's power and authority 365 to establish, maintain and collect such rates, fees and charges 366 for collecting and disposing of such garbage and/or rubbish, and 367 368 as a necessary incident to such county's power and authority to 369 establish, operate and maintain a garbage and/or rubbish disposal system or systems, the board of supervisors of such county shall 370 have the authority to initiate a civil action to recover any 371 delinquent fees and charges for collecting and disposing of such 372 garbage and/or rubbish, and all administrative and legal costs 373 associated with collecting such fees and charges, in the event any 374 375 person, firm or corporation, including any municipal corporation, 376 shall fail or refuse to pay such fees and charges for collecting and disposing of garbage and/or rubbish; provided that such board 377 of supervisors may initiate such a civil action to recover such 378 379 delinquent fees and charges whether or not such county has previously entered into a contract with such individual, firm or 380 corporation, including a municipal corporation, relating to the 381 382 establishment, operation and maintenance of such garbage and/or rubbish disposal system or systems; provided, further, that in a 383 384 civil action to recover such delinquent fees and charges for collecting and disposing of such garbage and/or rubbish, and all 385 386 administrative and legal costs associated with collecting such fees and charges, the county shall in all respects be a proper 387 party to such suit as plaintiff and shall have the power to sue 388 389 for and recover such unpaid fees and charges and all administrative and legal costs associated with collecting such 390 391 fees and charges, from any person, firm or corporation, including a municipal corporation, as may fail, refuse or default in the 392 payment of such fees and charges. 393

394 **SECTION 5.** Section 21-19-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, is 395 amended as follows:

396 21-19-1. (1) The municipal governing authorities of any397 municipality shall have the power to make regulations to secure

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the general health of the municipality; to prevent, remove, and 398 399 abate nuisances; to regulate or prohibit the construction of privy vaults and cesspools, and to regulate or suppress those already 400 401 constructed; to compel and regulate the connection of all property 402 with sewers and drains; to suppress hog pens, slaughterhouses and 403 stockyards, or to regulate the same and prescribe and enforce regulations for cleaning and keeping the same in order; to 404 regulate and prescribe and enforce regulations for the cleaning 405 406 and keeping in order of warehouses, stables, alleys, yards, private ways, outhouses, and other places where offensive matter 407 408 is kept or permitted to accumulate; and to compel and regulate the removal of garbage and filth beyond the corporate limits. 409 The 410 municipal governing authorities are further authorized to adopt and enforce regulations governing the disposal of garbage and 411 rubbish in sanitary landfills owned or leased by the municipality, 412 whether located within or outside of the corporate limits of the 413 municipality, to the extent that such regulations are not in 414 415 conflict with or prohibited by regulations of the Commission on Environmental Quality adopted under Section 17-17-27. 416

417 (2) After December 31, 1992, the governing body of any 418 municipality in the state shall provide for the collection and 419 disposal of garbage and the disposal of rubbish, and for that 420 purpose the governing body shall have the power to:

(a) Establish, operate and maintain a garbage and/orrubbish collection and disposal system or systems;

(b) Acquire property, real or personal, by contract,
gift or purchase, necessary or proper for the maintenance and
operation of such system;

(c) Make all necessary rules and regulations for the
collection and disposal of garbage and/or rubbish not in conflict
with or prohibited by rules and regulations of the Commission on
Environmental Quality adopted under Section 17-17-27 and, if it so

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430 desires, establish, maintain and collect rates, fees and charges 431 for collecting and disposing of such garbage and/or rubbish; and

In its discretion, enter into contracts, in the 432 (d) 433 manner required by law, with individuals, associations or 434 corporations for the establishment, operation and maintenance of a 435 garbage or rubbish disposal system or systems, and/or enter into contracts on such terms as the municipal governing body thinks 436 proper with any other municipality, county or region enabling the 437 municipality to use jointly with such other municipality, county 438 or region any authorized rubbish landfill or permitted sanitary 439 440 landfill operated by the other municipality, other county or 441 region.

As a necessary incident to such municipal governing 442 authority's power and authority to establish, maintain and collect 443 such rates, fees and charges for collecting and disposing of such 444 garbage and/or rubbish, and as a necessary incident to such 445 municipal governing authority's power and authority to establish, 446 447 operate and maintain a garbage and/or rubbish disposal system or systems, the municipal governing authority of such municipality 448 449 shall have the authority to initiate a civil action to recover any 450 delinquent fees and charges for collecting and disposing of such 451 rubbish, and all administrative and legal costs associated with 452 collecting such fees and charges, in the event any person, firm or corporation, including any municipal corporation, shall fail or 453 454 refuse to pay such fees and charges for collecting and disposing of garbage and/or rubbish; provided that such municipal governing 455 authority may initiate such a civil action to recover such 456 457 delinquent fees and charges whether or not such municipality has previously entered into a contract with such individual, firm or 458 459 corporation, relating to the establishment, operation and 460 maintenance of such garbage and/or rubbish disposal system or 461 systems; provided further, that in a civil action to recover such 462 delinquent fees and charges for collecting and disposing of such

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garbage and/or rubbish, and all administrative and legal costs 463 associated with collecting such fees and charges, the municipality 464 shall in all respects be a proper party to such suit as plaintiff 465 466 and shall have the power to sue for and recover such unpaid fees 467 and charges, and all administrative and legal costs associated 468 with collecting such fees and charges from any person, firm or corporation, as may fail, refuse or default in the payment of such 469 470 fees and charges.

If a municipality provides its own garbage, rubbish or solid 471 waste collection or disposal service and does not contract with a 472 473 private company or business to perform this service, the municipality may make the service available only for collection or 474 475 disposal of residential generators of garbage, rubbish and solid waste and may not provide the service for industrial or commercial 476 generators of garbage, rubbish or solid waste unless there is not 477 available in the municipality a private company or business to 478 provide garbage, rubbish or solid waste collection or disposal 479 480 services for industrial or commercial generators. In a municipality where there is not available a private company or 481 482 business to provide garbage, rubbish or solid waste collection or disposal service for industrial or commercial generators, the 483 484 municipality shall collect and dispose of residential garbage, 485 rubbish and solid waste separate and apart from industrial or commercial garbage, rubbish and solid waste and shall not mix or 486 487 combine residential garbage, rubbish and solid waste with industrial or commercial garbage, rubbish and solid waste. 488 489 SECTION 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2003. 490

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