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Introduced by Sens. YOUNG, LITTLE, MARCELLINO, O'MARA -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Environmental Conservation

AN ACT to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to the proper screening of waste derived from oil and gas drilling operations for radioactivity prior to disposal at regulated solid waste management facilities

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Legislative findings. The legislature hereby finds that the environmental conservation law provides for the establishment and permitting of solid waste management facilities. Given the significant increase in oil and gas drilling activity in Pennsylvania and other states, which has resulted in the disposal in this state of wastes generated from drilling activities in other states, and to address any oil and gas drilling wastes that may be generated by operations in the state, the legislature hereby finds that solid waste management facilities that receive waste generated from oil and gas drilling activities should be required to implement screening and rejection criteria for radioactivity as a condition to obtaining a permit to operate such a solid waste management facility.

S 2. Short title. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "oil and gas waste management act of 2015".

S 3. Section 27-0707 of the environmental conservation law is amended by adding a new subdivision 2-d to read as follows:

2-D. ANY PERMIT ISSUED TO A SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY THAT INTENDS TO ACCEPT WASTE FROM OIL AND GAS DRILLING ACTIVITIES SHALL INCLUDE SCREENING AND REJECTION CRITERIA FOR RADIOACTIVITY IN SUCH WASTES.

S 4. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [ ] is old law to be omitted.

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