STATE OF NEW YORK

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2025-2026 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 30, 2025

Introduced by Sen. WEIK -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Local Government

AN ACT to amend the general municipal law, in relation to authorizing municipalities to adopt local laws requiring the use of in vessel composting

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The general municipal law is amended by adding a new section 99-aa to read as follows:

§ 99-aa. In vessel composting. A municipality may adopt a local law requiring the use of in vessel composting for the disposal of organic waste that is generated from a residence. For the purposes of this section, "in vessel composting" shall mean a process in which organic waste is enclosed in a drum, silo, bin, tunnel, reactor, or other container for the purpose of producing compost, maintained under controlled conditions of temperature and moisture and where air-borne emissions are controlled, and "organic waste" shall mean any material found in the waste stream that can be broken down into, or otherwise become part of, usable compost, such as food scraps, soiled paper, and plant trimmings.

§ 2. 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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