

**HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 482**

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled  
"Public health code,"  
by amending sections 13809 and 13810 (MCL 333.13809 and 333.13810),  
as added by 1990 PA 21.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1           Sec. 13809. A producing facility that does not incinerate  
2 medical waste on site shall do all of the following to contain  
3 medical waste:

4           (a) Package, contain, and locate medical waste in a manner  
5 that protects and prevents the medical waste from release at the  
6 producing facility or at any time before ultimate disposal.

7           (b) Separate the categories of medical waste at the point of  
8 origin into appropriate containers that are labelled as required



1 under subdivision (c).

2 (c) Label the containers required under subdivision (b) with a  
3 biohazard symbol or the words "medical waste" or "pathological  
4 waste" in letters not less than 1 inch high.

5 (d) Not compact or mix medical waste with other waste  
6 materials before decontamination, incineration, and disposal.

7 (e) If decontaminated medical waste is mixed with other solid  
8 waste, clearly label the container to indicate that it contains  
9 decontaminated medical waste.

10 (f) Store medical waste in such a manner that prevents  
11 putrefaction and also prevents infectious agents from coming in  
12 contact with the air or with individuals.

13 (g) If medical waste is stored outside of the producing  
14 facility, store the medical waste in a secured area or locked in a  
15 container that weighs more than 500 pounds and prevent access to  
16 the area or container by vermin or unauthorized individuals.

17 (h) ~~Not~~ **Except as provided under subdivision (i), not** store  
18 medical waste on the premises of the producing facility for more  
19 than 90 days.

20 **(i) Store sharps contained in a sharps container on the**  
21 **premises of the producing facility until the sharps container is**  
22 **filled to no more than 3/4 capacity but for no more than 18 months**  
23 **from the date the first sharps is deposited into the container.**

24 Sec. 13810. A producing facility that incinerates medical  
25 waste on site shall do all of the following to contain medical  
26 waste:

27 (a) Package, contain, and locate medical waste in a ~~matter~~  
28 **manner** that protects and prevents the medical waste from release at  
29 the producing facility or at any time before ultimate disposal.



1 (b) Separate and dispose of sharps in the manner described in  
2 section 13811(d).

3 (c) Label the containers required under subdivision (a) with a  
4 biohazard symbol or the words "medical waste" or "pathological  
5 waste" in letters not less than 1 inch high.

6 (d) ~~Not~~ **Except as provided under subdivision (e), not** store  
7 medical waste on **the** premises of the producing facility for more  
8 than 90 days.

9 (e) **Store sharps contained in a sharps container on the**  
10 **premises of the producing facility until the sharps container is**  
11 **filled to no more than 3/4 capacity but for no more than 18 months**  
12 **from the date the first sharps is deposited into the container.**