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An act relating to the charter of the Northeast Kingdom Solid Waste Management District

It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

Sec. 1. 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 411, § 105 is amended to read:

§ 105. POWERS

Except as otherwise provided or limited herein, the District shall have the following powers:

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(1) To establish, implement, and amend from time to time fees for waste disposal and other functions of the District, including per capita fees, charges for waste services, and other forms of revenue to meet the obligation and duties of the district.

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Sec. 2. 24 App. V.S.A. chapter 411, § 404 is amended to read:

§ 404. REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS

(a) The Board of Supervisors shall establish a fee structure for the purpose of generating revenues for the District, which fee structure shall be designed to generate sufficient revenue to enable the District to operate and carry out its functions and financial obligations, including the timely payment of its longterm indebtedness, bonded indebtedness, and anticipated closure costs.

The <u>surcharge</u> fee schedule shall be based upon the actual tonnage collected and reported by District-registered haulers from each member municipality.

The fee schedule shall be expressed in dollars per ton or dollars per cubic yard, as the Board of Supervisors shall determine to be most appropriate. Fees <u>shall</u> may include the rate of surcharge, tipping fees for recycling, <u>charges for waste</u> services, per capita fees, and amount to be assessed against each member municipality of the District for all waste generated within the member municipality and managed by the District, which assessment shall be billed with such frequency as the Board of Supervisors shall determine appropriate.

"Per capita" means charges based on the most recent decennial census of towns.

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Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

This act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.