

ACCG Supports Increasing Local Host Fees on Private Landfills

ACCG supports efforts by Senator Burt Jones (current language in HB 792 and original language in SB 385) which increases the state's minimum local solid waste cost reimbursement (host) fee for waste going into private landfills.

The \$1 minimum host fee has been in existence since 1992. In 6 of the 12 counties who have a private landfill, the host fee remains a \$1.

Increasing the minimum fee per ton would assist in offsetting the impact private landfills have on a community and provide the county additional funding to:

- make up for the decreased property values, thus digest, within the vicinity of the landfill;
- repair road damage from solid waste trucks headed to the landfill;
- enhance litter control from debris strewn by the trucks headed to the landfill;
- improve groundwater and air monitoring and protection surrounding the landfill;
- remediate and monitor a closed or abandoned landfill in the county;
- acquire property around the landfill for buffering and/or recreational purposes;
- better educate the public on litter control, hazardous waste disposal, and solid waste planning and management, among other programs.

List of Georgia Counties that host a private landfill:

Banks

Barrow

Butts

Charlton

Chatham

Cherokee

Forsyth

Lowndes

Meriwether

Taylor

Twiggs

Wayne

Locations of Municipal Solid Waste Landfills (MSWL)

