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## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** The House Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources

From: The Office of Revisor of Statutes

**Date:** 2/4/2025

Re: H.B. 2064; Removing the current solid waste permit exception for the disposal of solid

waste generated by drilling oil and gas wells through the practice of land-spreading.

Under current law, no one is allowed to construct, alter or operate a solid waste<sup>1</sup> processing facility<sup>2</sup> or a solid waste disposal area<sup>3</sup> of a solid waste management system<sup>4</sup> without first obtaining a permit from the secretary of health and environment.<sup>5</sup>

Exceptions to this permit requirement are listed in K.S.A. 65-3407c. H.B. 2064 would remove the current exception for the disposal of solid waste generated by drilling oil and gas wells through the practice of land-spreading.

H.B. 2064 would become effective upon publication in the statute book.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>K.S.A. 65-3402</u>(a) ("Solid waste" means garbage, refuse, waste tires as defined by K.S.A. 65-3424, and amendments thereto, and other discarded materials, including, but not limited to, solid, semisolid, sludges, liquid and contained gaseous waste materials resulting from industrial, commercial, agricultural and domestic activities. [...])

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> *Id.* at (c)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Id.* at (d)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> *Id.* at (b)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> K.S.A. 65-3407