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## A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1576

5 By: Representatives Lundstrum, *Unger*  
6 By: Senator J. Bryant  
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### For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT A SOLID WASTE LANDFILL OR TRANSFER  
10 STATION TO BE PLACED OVER A KARST TOPOGRAPHY AND FOR  
11 OTHER PURPOSES.  
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### Subtitle

15 TO PROHIBIT A SOLID WASTE LANDFILL OR  
16 TRANSFER STATION TO BE PLACED OVER A  
17 KARST TOPOGRAPHY.  
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19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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21 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 8-6-203, concerning definitions within the  
22 Arkansas Solid Waste Management Act, is amended to add an additional  
23 subdivision to read as follows:

24 (23) "Karst typography" means an area with dissolution of  
25 soluble carbonate rocks such as limestone and dolomite where the water system  
26 is a network of interconnected fissures, fractures, and conduits emplaced in  
27 a relatively low-permeability rock matrix.  
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29 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 8-6-205(a), concerning illegal actions  
30 under the Arkansas Solid Waste Management Act, is amended to read as follows:

31 (a) It shall be illegal for any person:

32 (1) To violate any provision of this subchapter or any rule or  
33 order of the Arkansas Pollution Control and Ecology Commission issued  
34 pursuant to this subchapter or of a permit issued under this subchapter by  
35 the Division of Environmental Quality;

36 (2) To construct, install, alter, modify, use, or operate any



1 solid waste processing or disposal facility or disposal site without a permit  
2 from the division;

3 (3) To construct, install, modify, use, or operate any solid  
4 waste processing or disposal facility or disposal site on or over karst  
5 topography;

6 (4) To dispose of solid wastes at any disposal site or facility  
7 other than a disposal site or facility for which a permit has been issued by  
8 the division. However, no provision of this subchapter shall be construed so  
9 as to prevent an individual from disposing of solid wastes resulting from his  
10 or her own household activities on his or her own land if the disposal does  
11 not create a public or private nuisance or a hazard to health and does not  
12 violate a city ordinance or other law and does not involve the open dumping  
13 of garbage;

14 ~~(4)~~(5) To dump, deposit, throw, or in any manner leave or  
15 abandon any solid wastes, including, but not limited to, garbage, tin cans,  
16 bottles, rubbish, refuse, or trash upon property owned by another person  
17 without the written permission of the owner or occupant of the property or  
18 upon any public highway, street, road, public park or recreation area, or any  
19 other public property except as designated for disposal of waste; or

20 ~~(5)~~(6) To sort, collect, transport, process, or dispose of solid  
21 waste contrary to the rules or orders of the division or in such a manner or  
22 place as to create or be likely to create a public nuisance or a public  
23 health hazard or to cause or be likely to cause water or air pollution within  
24 the meaning of the Arkansas Water and Air Pollution Control Act, § 8-4-101 et  
25 seq.

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27 /s/Lundstrum  
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