

SB 1278 history to date

- 2/21/2019 Senate • Filed
- 3/4/2019 Senate • Referred to Environment and Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; Appropriations -SJ 128
- 3/5/2019 Senate • Introduced -SJ 128
- 3/7/2019 Senate • On Committee agenda-- Environment and Natural Resources, 03/12/19, 4:00 pm, 37 Senate Building
- 3/12/2019 Senate • CS by Environment and Natural Resources; YEAS 5 NAYS 0 -SJ 195
- 3/13/2019 Senate • Pending reference review under Rule 4.7(2) - (Committee Substitute)
- 3/14/2019 Senate • Now in Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government
- CS by Environment and Natural Resources read 1st time -SJ 249

HB 405 (SB 1278 companion) history to date

- 1/22/2019 House • Filed
- 1/30/2019 House • Referred to Agriculture and Natural Resources Subcommittee; Appropriations Committee; State Affairs Committee -HJ 52
- 3/5/2019 House • Introduced -HJ 52
- 3/8/2019 House • PCS on Committee agenda-- Agriculture and Natural Resources Subcommittee, 03/12/19, 1:30 pm, 12 HOB
- 3/12/2019 House • CS by Agriculture and Natural Resources Subcommittee; YEAS 11 NAYS 0 -HJ 431
- 3/14/2019 House • Pending review of CS under Rule 7.18(c)
- 3/14/2019 House • CS by Agriculture and Natural Resources Subcommittee read 1st time -HJ 422

By the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; and
Senator Mayfield

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to biosolids management; creating s.
3 403.0855, F.S.; providing legislative findings and
4 intent; defining the term "biosolids"; requiring the
5 Department of Environmental Protection to adopt rules
6 for biosolids management which meet certain
7 requirements; exempting the rulemaking from specified
8 requirements; providing applicability; authorizing a
9 county or municipality to enact or retain in effect
10 certain ordinances, moratoriums, or regulations;
11 providing that certain ordinances, moratoriums, or
12 regulations remain in effect until they are repealed
13 or expire; defining the term "biosolids"; providing an
14 effective date.

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16 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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18 Section 1. Section 403.0855, Florida Statutes, is created
19 to read:

20 403.0855 Biosolids management.-

21 (1) The Legislature finds that it is in the best interest
22 of this state to regulate biosolids management in order to
23 minimize the migration of nutrients that impair waterbodies. The
24 Legislature further finds that the expedited implementation of
25 the recommendations of the Biosolids Technical Advisory
26 Committee, including permitting according to site-specific
27 application conditions, an increased inspection rate,
28 groundwater and surface water monitoring protocols, and nutrient
29 management research, will improve biosolids management and

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30 assist in protecting this state's water resources and water
 31 quality. The Legislature intends for innovative technologies in
 32 biosolids processing to be implemented as a means to improve
 33 biosolids management and to protect this state's water resources
 34 and water quality.

35 (2) As used in this section, the term "biosolids" has the
 36 same meaning as in s. 373.4595(2).

37 (3) The department shall adopt rules for biosolids
 38 management which include, but are not limited to, the following:

39 (a) Biosolids land application rates that ensure that
 40 nutrients do not impair or add to an existing impairment of
 41 surface water quality or groundwater quality in nearby or
 42 downstream waterbodies;

43 (b) Site-specific land application criteria; and

44 (c) Monitoring requirements.

45 (4) Rules adopted pursuant to this section are not subject
 46 to ss. 120.541(3) and 403.804(2).

47 (5) Nothing herein shall be construed to conflict with or
 48 supersede s. 373.4595.

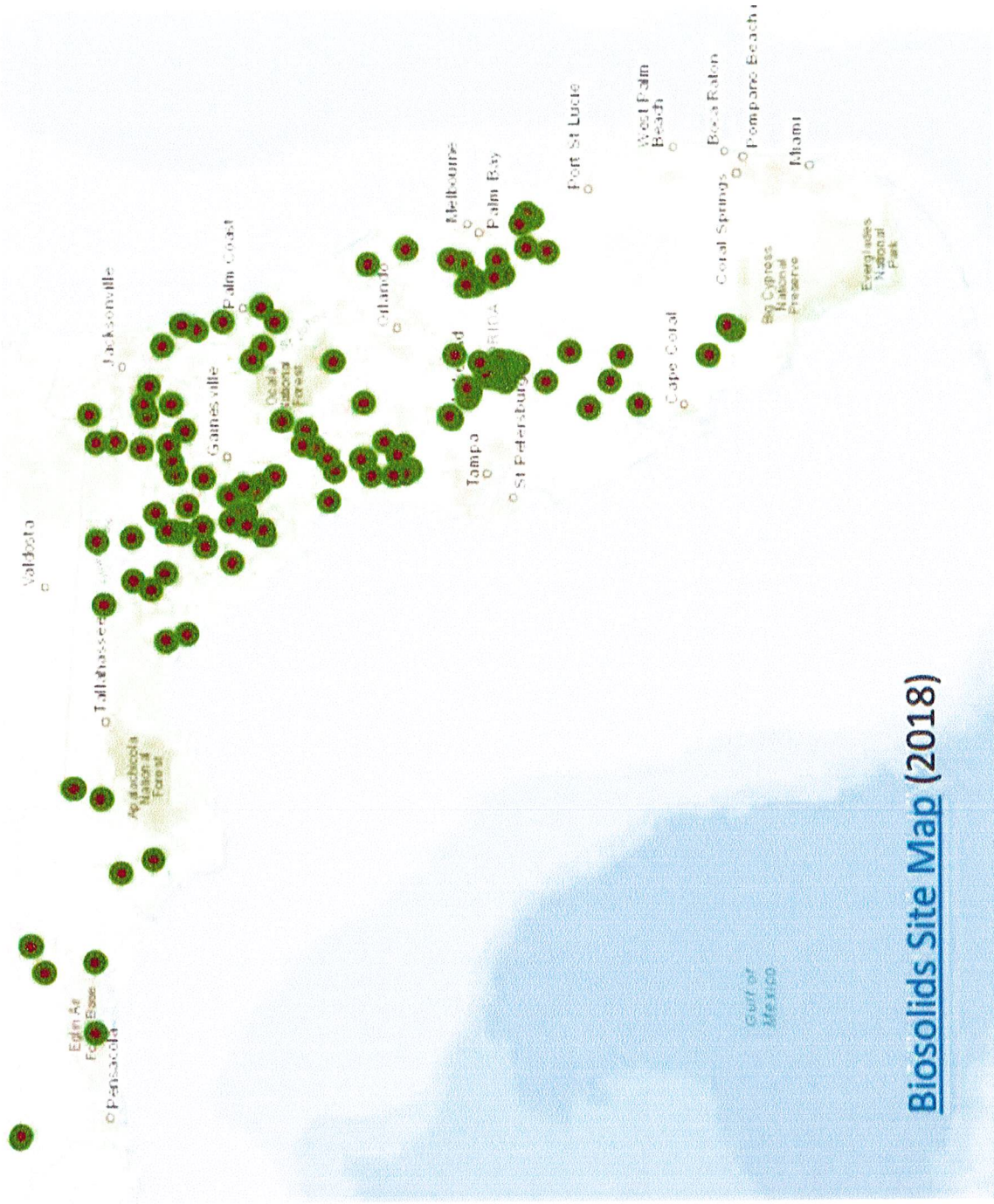
49 Section 2. A county or municipality may enact or retain in
 50 effect an ordinance, moratorium, or regulation relating to the
 51 land application of Class B biosolids. An ordinance, moratorium,
 52 or regulation relating to the land application of Class B
 53 biosolids adopted by a county or municipality shall remain in
 54 effect until the county or municipality repeals or lets expire
 55 the ordinance, moratorium, or regulation. The term "biosolids"
 56 has the same meaning as in s. 373.4595(2), Florida Statutes.

57 Section 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

There are approximately 140 permitted land application sites in Florida, with waste haulers being the most common site permittees.

DEP has stated that wastewater treatment facilities produce about 340,000 dry tons of biosolids each year.

About one-third of the total amount of biosolids produced is used for land application and is subject to regulatory requirements established by DEP to protect public health and the environment.



[Biosolids Site Map \(2018\)](#)