

FILE NO.

## LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Health Code - Hazardous Materials]

**Ordinance amending the Health Code to require electronic applications for registration of hazardous materials and for underground storage tanks be filed through the California Environmental Reporting System, to eliminate the requirement that registration of hazardous materials plans include a program for reduction of hazardous materials, and to provide for fee adjustment; and making environmental findings.**

### Existing Law

Every business, or owner of real property upon which an establishment is located, that is required by existing law to register and implement a hazardous material plan shall obtain a certificate of registration by filing a written application with the Director of Health. A complete application shall include a program for reducing the use of hazardous materials and the generation of hazardous waste. Any person required to obtain an underground storage tank permit shall file an application directly with the San Francisco Department of Public Health.

### Amendments to Current Law

These amendments implement recent changes to California Health & Safety Code Section 25404 requiring that applications for the registration of hazardous materials and for underground storage tanks be filed electronically through the California Environmental Reporting System ("CERS") on the forms provided by the state. These amendments also eliminate the hazardous material plan's inclusion of a program for reducing the use of hazardous materials and the generation of hazardous waste.

This ordinance adds a provision for fee adjustment. If the fees in a facility's invoice from the Department do not accurately reflect the facility's current activities, the facility may submit a Fee Adjustment Form with the corrected information and activities, along with the fee payment.