



Enacted/Pending/Active Food Scrap and Compost-Related Policy

2022	<p>SR0706 (adopted 4/9/2022) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/102/SR/PDF/10200SR0706lv.pdf Declared the week of May 1 through May 7, 2022 as "Compost Awareness Week" in IL.</p> <p>SB3451 (Compost Awareness Week; filed 1/18/22 by Sen. Fine) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/102/SB/PDF/10200SB3451lv.pdf Designates the first full week of May each year as "Compost Awareness Week."</p> <p>HB4552 (filed 1/11/22 by Rep. Cassidy; passed out of committee 2/15/22) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/102/HB/PDF/10200HB4552lv.pdf Natural organic reduction; allows composting of human remains.</p> <p>HB5303 (filed 1/28/22 by Rep. Nichols; committee hearing 2/15/22) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/102/HB/PDF/10200HB5303lv.pdf Requires restaurants, retail stores, and other food generators to reduce wasted food.</p>
2021	<p>PA 102-0444 (effective date 8/20/21) https://ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/102/PDF/102-0444.pdf Permanently moves the DCEO recycling program to IEPA.</p>
2019	<p>HR109 (adopted 10/29/2019) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/101/HR/PDF/10100HR0109lv.pdf Declared November 2019 as Food Pantry Donation Month to raise a greater awareness of food insecurity and its impact on Illinois residents.</p> <p>Public Act 101-0510 (effective 8/23/2019) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/fulltext.asp?Name=101-0510 Prohibits local governments from banning consumer use of personal containers for food purchases.</p> <p>Public Act 101-0484 (effective 8/23/2019) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/fulltext.asp?Name=101-0484 Adds conservation of soil health, preservation of organic matter in soil and plants, water quality, and extreme weather resilience as soil and water conservation district purposes.</p> <p>Executive Order 2019-006 (issued 1/23/2019) https://www2.illinois.gov/IISNews/19626-Executive_Order_2019-06.pdf Orders the State to join the US Climate Alliance and commit to Paris Climate Agreement principles.</p>
2018	<p>Public Act 100-0951 (effective 1/1/2019) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/100/PDF/100-0951.pdf</p>



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	<p>Required IDOT to conduct 2 pilot demonstrations using compost-amended soil prior to 12/31/2019 and to report results to ILGA by 12/31/2020; repealed by design 1/1/2022; not completed.</p> <p>Public Act 100-0709 (effective 8/3/2018) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/100/PDF/100-0709.pdf Requires relevant agencies to adopt policies for excess food procured with State funds to be donated.</p>
2017	<p>Public Act 100-0094 (effective 8/11/2017) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/100/PDF/100-0094.pdf Allows the Lake County landscape waste transfer station created in 2015 to accept food scraps without going through local siting process (enacted after expiry of 2015 bill).</p>
2016	<p>Public Act 99-0552 https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/fulltext.asp?Name=099-0552 Provides that a public entity shall not enter into a contract to purchase food with a bidder or offeror if the bidder's or offeror's contract terms prohibit the public entity from donating food.</p>
2015	<p>Public Act 99-0011 (effective 7/10/2015) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/fulltext.asp?Name=099-0011 Allows organic waste drop off facilities, creating infrastructure.</p> <p>Public Act 99-0440 (effective 8/21/2015) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/99/PDF/099-0440.pdf Extends 2014 pilot; adds a third location in Lake County; develops organic waste haul infrastructure.</p> <p>Public Act 99-0306 (effective 1/1/2016) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/99/PDF/099-0306.pdf Extends the state's policy of supporting national recycling labeling laws to composting and biodegradable materials.</p> <p>Public Act 99-0034 (effective 7/14/2015) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/99/PDF/099-0034.pdf Required state agencies responsible for maintaining public lands to determine if incorporating compost materials would reduce runoff and increase infiltration and report findings to the ILGA by 12/15/2015; not completed.</p>
2014	<p>Public Act 98-0146 (effective 1/1/2014) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/98/PDF/098-0146.pdf Allows two landscape-waste transfer stations to pilot food scraps collection with yard waste.</p> <p>Public Act 098-0731 (effective 7/16/2014) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/98/PDF/098-0731.pdf</p>



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	Authorizes MWRD to accept food scraps and other organics to help generate renewable energy and to sell the renewable energy resources generated.
2013	Public Act 98-0239 (effective 8/9/2013) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/98/PDF/098-0239.pdf Creates opportunities for urban and suburban farmers to bring material from off site for composting and for community gardens to compost.
2010	Public Act 96-0418 (effective 1/1/2010) https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/publicacts/96/PDF/096-0418.pdf Allows Illinois yard waste composting facilities to add food scraps and avoid the state's siting process if food scraps constitute no more than 10% of the total volume handled at the facility.