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SENATE BILL 259

Short Title: Backup Power for Wastewater Systems.

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Sponsors: Senator Odom.

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Referred to: Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE ALL WASTEWATER SYSTEMS THAT MUST BE  
2 PERMITTED TO DISCHARGE WASTE TO HAVE AN ON-SITE GENERATOR,  
3 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION.  
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 143-215.1(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

7 "(5) The Commission shall, as a condition of a permit, require wastewater  
8 systems, for which a permit for facilities discharging to the waters of the  
9 State is required, to have on-site a generator that is operated by a source  
10 of power other than electricity."

11 Section 2. G.S. 143-215.1 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

12 "(h) Any wastewater system for which a permit for facilities discharging to the  
13 waters of the State is required shall not be operated unless a generator that is operated by  
14 a source of power other than electricity is maintained on-site."

15 Section 3. By October 1, 1997, the Environmental Management Commission  
16 shall develop a schedule of dates after October 1, 1997, but not to extend beyond January  
17 1, 2003, by which existing wastewater systems with discharge permits must comply with  
18 G.S. 143-215.1(b)(5) and G.S. 143-215.1(h), as enacted in Sections 1 and 2 of this act.

19 Section 4. This act becomes effective October 1, 1997, and applies to those  
20 new wastewater systems and expansions of wastewater systems for which a discharge

- 1 permit is required and for which a site evaluation is conducted on or after that date and
- 2 applies to all other wastewater systems in accordance with the schedule developed under
- 3 Section 3 of this act.