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HOUSE DRH90017-TF-1 (12/13)

Short Title: Environmental Technical Corrections 2011. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Samuelson and McElraft (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO MAKE CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS  
3 TO VARIOUS LAWS RELATED TO THE ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY, AND  
4 NATURAL RESOURCES.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.(a)** G.S. 143B-344.37(b)(1) reads as rewritten:  
7 "**§ 143B-344.37. (Expires June 30, 2016) North Carolina Sustainable Communities Grant**  
8 **Fund.**

9 ...  
10 (b) Purposes. – Funds in the North Carolina Sustainable Communities Grant Fund shall  
11 be used, as available, to provide funding to regional bodies, cities, or counties to improve  
12 regional planning efforts that integrate housing and transportation decisions, to increase the  
13 capacity to improve land use and zoning and to provide up to fifty percent (50%) of any  
14 required local matching funds for recipients of Federal Sustainable Communities Planning  
15 Grants and any other federal grants related to sustainable development and requiring local  
16 matching funds. In order to receive funds under this section, regions must meet all of the  
17 following requirements:

18 (1) The regional body, city, or county is a part of a regional sustainable  
19 development partnership that includes any of the metro regions as defined in  
20 ~~G.S. 143B-344.38(b)~~. G.S. 143B-344.38(c). Partnerships may also include  
21 any Metropolitan Planning Organizations, Regional Planning Organizations,  
22 regional transit agencies, and representation from involved State agencies.

23 ...."  
24 **SECTION 1.(b)** G.S. 143B-344.38 reads as rewritten:  
25 "**§ 143B-344.38. (Expires June 30, 2016) North Carolina Sustainable Communities Task**  
26 **Force – reports.**

27 (a) Beginning in 2011, the Task Force shall report to the Governor, the chairs of the  
28 ~~House Commerce, Small Business, and Entrepreneurship Committee~~ House Committee on  
29 Commerce and Job Development, and the Senate Commerce Committee, and the Joint  
30 Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations no later than October 1 each year. The  
31 report shall include the following elements:

32 ...  
33 (b) Prior to awarding any funding under G.S. 143B-344.37 and no later than February  
34 1, 2011, the Task Force shall report to the ~~House Commerce, Small Business, and~~  
35 ~~Entrepreneurship Committee~~ House Committee on Commerce and Job Development and the



1 Senate Commerce Committee regarding the sustainable practices scoring system developed in  
2 accordance with G.S. 143B-344.35(7).

3 ...."

4 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 143B-432(a) reads as rewritten:

5 **"§ 143B-432. Transfers to Department of Commerce.**

6 (a) The Division of Economic Development of the Department of Natural and  
7 Economic Resources, the Science and Technology Committee of the Department of Natural  
8 and Economic Resources, and the Science and Technology Research Center of the Department  
9 of Natural and Economic ~~Resources Resources, and the Western North Carolina Public Lands~~  
10 ~~Council of the Department of Natural and Economic Resources~~ are each hereby transferred to  
11 the Department of Commerce by a Type I transfer, as defined in G.S. 143A-6."

12 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.