April 12, 2001

H 1257. STREAM IDENTIFICATION FOR BUFFER RULES. TO AMEND THE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO DELEGATE TO THE DIVISION OF FOREST RESOURCES CERTAIN RESPONSIBILITIES RELATED TO THE IDENTIFICATION OF STREAMS IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE STREAM BUFFER RULES. Blank bill.

Intro. by Underhill.

Ref. to Rules UNCODIFIED

April 24, 2001

H 1257. STREAM IDENTIFICATION FOR BUFFER RULES. Intro. 4/12/01. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Changes title to read AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION TO DELEGATE TO THE DIVISION OF FOREST RESOURCES THE RESPONSIBILITY TO DETERMINE THE PRESENCE OF SURFACE WATERS THAT MAY BE AFFECTED BY SILVICULTURE ACTIVITIES FOR PURPOSES OF THE RIPARIAN BUFFER PROTECTION PROGRAM. Adds new GS 143-214.25 as title indicates.

August 15, 2001

H 1257. STREAM IDENTIFICATION FOR BUFFER RULES. Intro. 4/12/01. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Changes title to AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A SURFACE WATER TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAM AS A COMPONENT OF THE RIPARIAN BUFFER PROTECTION PROGRAM, and rewrites bill to provide as title indicates. Program is to be developed by Div'n of Water Quality (Div'n) of Dep't of Environment and Natural Resources. Those trained may include Div'n employees, certain local government employees, and certain Div'n of Forest Resources employees who are Registered Foresters, with most highly qualified and experienced trained and certified first. Certified persons are to determine the presence of surface waters that would require the application of rules adopted by Comm'n to protect buffers. Director may revoke certification if he finds an individual is failing to make correct determinations. Div'n is to evaluate program's effectiveness and submit written reports to the Environmental Review Comm'n by Sept. 1, 2002, and 2003, and March 1, 2004. Act does not obligate General Assembly to appropriate funds but is to be implemented with available money. Effective when it becomes law and expires Sept. 1, 2004.

September 11, 2001

SL 2001-404 (H 1257). STREAM IDENTIFICATION FOR BUFFER RULES. AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A SURFACE WATER IDENTIFICATION TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAM AS A COMPONENT OF THE RIPARIAN BUFFER PROTECTION PROGRAM. Summarized in Daily Bulletin 4/12/01, 4/24/01 and 8/15/01. Enacted Sept. 6, 2001. Effective Sept 6, 2001 and expires Sept. 1, 2004.