April 10, 2003

H 1083. ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS (=S 823). TO MAKE CLARIFYING, CONFORMING, AND TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO VARIOUS LAWS RELATED TO THE ENVIRONMENT, ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH, AND NATURAL RESOURCES. Identical to S 823, introduced 4/3/03.

Intro. by Gibson.

Ref. to Environment GS 113, 113A, 130A, 143

July 8, 2004

H 1083. WATER CONSERVATION/SUBMETERS (NEW). Intro. 4/10/03. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Replaces existing bill with completely new bill that is similar to S 1221 introduced 5/20/04, except makes the following changes. Amends GS 42-3 to delete provision that makes tenant's failure to pay for services within 25 days after a bill for water and sewer services is sent a forfeiture of lease terms. Reinstates GS 42-26(b) and amends subsection to require that arrearages shall be applied to the rent and then to water or sewer charges, unless otherwise designated by tenant. Deletes amendments to GS 43-33. Enacts new GS 42-42(a)(6) to require that landlord who is charging for cost of water or sewer service inform tenant if landlord becomes aware that water being supplied to leased property exceeds a maximum contaminant level. Deletes GS 42-42.1(b) - (d). Amends GS 42-42.1(a) to authorize landlord to charge tenants who occupy the same contiguous premises for the cost of providing water and sewer service (was, providing method of calculating tenant's cost). Amends GS 42-46(d) to delete provision authorizing landlord to charge a late fee of up to \$5 per month for water and sewer costs due if agreed to in rental agreement. Deletes provision in GS 62-110(g) that NC Utilities Comm'n shall not have jurisdiction over the allocation of water and sewer costs by landlords to tenants and replaces it with amendments which set forth detailed standards governing landlord charges for water and sewer service, including a requirement that landlords obtain permission from Comm'n to charge for such services and guidelines for the rate to be charged tenants. Enacts new GS 130A-315(e) and (f) allocating responsibility for contamination when a public water system supplies water to a water system not subject to Art. Rescinds Utilities Comm'n Rule R18-11 through 18-17 and reinstates former rules R 18-1 through 18-7. Makes technical changes. Effective August 1, 2004 (was, July 1, 2004).

August 6, 2004

SL 2004-143 (H 1083). WATER CONSERVATION/SUBMETERS. AN ACT TO PROMOTE WATER CONSERVATION IN MULTIFAMILY RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES BY AMENDING VARIOUS STATE LAWS REGARDING THE USE OF SUBMETERS IN LIGHT OF CHANGES IN POLICY RELATED TO WATER TESTING REQUIREMENTS AND WATER CONSERVATION BY THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION. Summarized in Daily Bulletin 7/8/04. Enacted July 29, 2004. Effective August 1, 2004.