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S 990. ENVIRONMENTAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND INFO. ACT. TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A DATABASE OF VIOLATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS. Adds new GS 143-279.13 as title indicates. "Violation" and "enforcement action" are defined in bill. Department is to make its database available to the public by publishing it on Department web site. Bill specifies what information database is to include, and the criteria by which the database is to be searchable. Requires any permittee or licensee required to obtain a permit or license issued by the Department to notify it within 30 days after being convicted of a crime regarding a violation. Department is to adopt any rules needed to implement new section. Act is not to be construed as limiting any noncompliance remedy available to Department under existing law. Effective September 1, 2005.

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