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S 541. INTERCONNECTION OF PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS. Filed 3/6/07. *REQUIRING THE INTERCONNECTION OF PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS OR WASTEWATER SYSTEMS TO REGIONAL SYSTEMS WHEN NECESSARY TO PROMOTE PUBLIC HEALTH, PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT, AND ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH DRINKING WATER RULES AND TO REQUIRE THAT AN ANALYSIS OF REASONABLE ALTERNATIVES BE DONE BEFORE CONSTRUCTING OR ALTERING A PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM.*

Rewrites GS 130A-317(c) and (d) and GS 143-215.1(b)(4) and (f), as title indicates. Enacts new GS 143-215.1(b)(6) and (7) to provide that no permit for a new or expanded municipal or human waste treatment system may be issued unless the applicant (1) has adopted a plan to implement a program to reduce demand and manage existing capacity by reducing or eliminating stormwater and groundwater infiltration and intrusion into collection lines, (2) submits an analysis of reasonable alternatives to the proposed new or expanded system, and (3) can demonstrate that the proposed new or expanded waste treatment facility will be designed and constructed to accommodate eventual interconnection with adjoining or regional systems. Requires the Commission for Health Services and the Environmental Management Commission to adopt rules implementing the act by October 1, 2007.

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