April 6, 2009

H 1100. STORMWATER CONTROL BMP'S FOR COMPOST/MULCH. Filed 4/6/09. TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ESTABLISH STORMWATER CONTROL BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR COMPOSTING OPERATIONS AND MULCH OPERATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING WATER QUALITY.

Requires that the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), by October 1, 2012, establish stormwater control best management practices for composting operations and for mulch operations that are permitted by the Division of Water Quality and for composting operations and for mulch operations that are permitted by the Division of Waste Management for protecting water quality by controlling and containing stormwater that is associated with these operations and by reducing the pollutant levels of untreated leachate from these operations so that the runoff or leachate qualifies as stormwater rather than wastewater and by reducing the opportunities for the runoff. Requires DENR to consult with a stakeholder group that includes the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, the North Carolina League of Municipalities, the Agricultural Extension Service of North Carolina State University, the North Carolina Chapter of the United States Composting Council, the North Carolina Chapter of the American Water Works Association-Water Environment Federation, the North Carolina Pumper Group, the North Carolina Chapter of the Solid Waste Association of America, and the North Carolina Septic Tank Association. Requires that the best management practices take into account specified considerations. Provides that until October 1, 2012, when the best management practices become effective, any composting operations and mulch operations must be allowed to continue to operate according to the current operation's approved site size and as to the current production method. Provides that this applies to new and pending applications for permits during this time period.

Intro. by Allen.

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April 21, 2009

H 1100. STORMWATER CONTROL BMP'S FOR COMPOST/ MULCH. Filed 4/6/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Adds the North Carolina Forestry Association to the group of stakeholders with whom the Department of Environment and Natural Resources is directed to consult with and accept recommendations from in establishing stormwater control best management practices for composting and mulch operations.

May 13, 2009

H 1100. STORMWATER CONTROLS FOR COMPOST (NEW). Filed 4/6/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Changes title to AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ESTABLISH STORMWATER CONTROL BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES AND PROCESS WATER TREATMENT PROCESSES FOR COMPOSTING OPERATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING WATER QUALITY.

Directs the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) to establish standard stormwater control best management practices and standard process water treatment processes or equivalent performance standards for composting operations required to be permitted by the Division of Water Quality (Water Quality) and the Division of Waste Management (Waste Management), (was, required DENR to establish stormwater control best management practices by October 1, 2012, for composting and mulch operations).

Directs Water Quality to clarify the composition of stormwater and wastewater. Directs DENR to establish revised water quality permitting procedures for the composting industry. Also directs DENR to form a Compost Operation Stakeholder Advisory Group with representatives from certain specified organizations. Directs DENR to report to the Environmental Review Commission on the progress of the implementation of the provisions of the act and any recommendations from the Compost Operation Stakeholder Advisory Group not later than December 31, 2009. Directs DENR to begin the phase-in of the revised water quality permitting procedures for the composting industry beginning not later than January 1, 2011, and to complete

the phase-in not later than October 1, 2012. Sets forth procedure for granting permits for composting facilities between the effective dates of the act and the phase-in period. Directs DENR to request recommendations from the Compost Operation Stakeholder Advisory Group on standard stormwater control best management practices, standard process water treatment processes, and performance standard and elements of the revised water quality permitting procedures and to establish best management practices and standard processes or performance standards not later than January 1, 2011.

July 20, 2009

SL 2009-322 (H 1100). STORMWATER CONTROLS FOR COMPOST. AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ESTABLISH STORMWATER CONTROL BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES AND PROCESS WATER TREATMENT PROCESSES FOR COMPOSTING OPERATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROTECTING WATER QUALITY. Summarized in Daily Bulletin 4/6/09, 4/21/09, and 5/13/09. Enacted July 17, 2009. Effective July 17, 2009.