

May 17, 2010

H 1746. WATER INFRASTRUCTURE DATABASE/TASK FORCE. Filed 5/17/10. *TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A STATEWIDE WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE RESOURCE AND FUNDING DATABASE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE.*

As title indicates. Identifies agencies and other stakeholders to create the task force, with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources acting as the lead agency. Indicates items for possible inclusion in the database. Requires that the task force report to the Legislative Study Commission on Water and Wastewater Infrastructure by November 1, 2010. The report must include the estimated costs to create and to maintain the database, and any legislative changes required to implement the plan.

Intro. by Crawford, Gillespie, Owens, Tarleton_____. STUDY

June 9, 2010

H 1746. WATER INFRASTRUCTURE DATABASE/TASK FORCE. Filed 5/17/10. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition.

Directs the task force established by the act to recommend (was, design) a plan for the establishment and maintenance of a statewide water and wastewater infrastructure resource and funding database, or alternative information systems or processes that are capable of consolidating and integrating statewide information on water and wastewater infrastructure needs, resources, funding, and making this information more accessible (latter directive added). Makes conforming changes to title. Removes the U.S. Department of Agriculture from the list of task force participants. Deletes sections specifying items for inclusion and consideration in the database. Requires the task force to consider the relative merits of a database and any proposed alternatives, to identify options for database design, and to delineate the included categories of information. Removes from the task force's reporting requirement information on the estimated costs to create and to maintain the database, but requires those costs to be considered when making recommendations. Renumbers the bill accordingly.

June 16, 2010

H 1746. WATER INFRASTRUCTURE INFORMATION NEEDS (NEW). Filed 5/17/10. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 2nd edition.

Provides that the purpose of the task force is to improve the collection and utilization of information related to state water and wastewater infrastructure needs (was, identified purpose as recommending a plan for the establishment and maintenance of a statewide water and wastewater infrastructure resource and funding database or alternative information systems or processes to consolidate information regarding the state's water and wastewater infrastructure and make it more accessible to applicants, government agencies, and policymakers). Restates the task force's purpose, as indicated in the 2nd edition, as a duty of the expanded task force in the committee substitute. Provides that the responsibilities and duties of the task force also include (1) developing a statewide survey that builds on the base of the existing Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) water and wastewater infrastructure survey process, (2) developing a plan to incorporate information obtained from the EPA surveys and the statewide survey into the state water supply plan developed pursuant to GS 143-355(m) (pertaining to state water supply plan), and (3) considering possible modifications to the information collected or methodology at the local level.

Requires DENR (was, the task force) to report the findings and recommendations of the task force to the Legislative Study Commission on Water and Wastewater Infrastructure by November 1, 2010. Requires the report to include the estimated costs and any legislative changes required to implement the recommendations.

Makes conforming changes to the title. Adds whereas clauses.

June 29, 2010

H 1746. WATER INFRASTRUCTURE INFORMATION NEEDS. Filed 5/17/10. Senate committee substitute makes the following changes to 3rd edition. Adds new provision (and changes title accordingly) directing the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and the Local Government Commission (LGC) of the Department of State Treasurer to jointly evaluate the costs and benefits of requiring each public water or wastewater system to demonstrate that it raises sufficient revenue to cover the costs of operation, including costs of maintenance, repair, and replacement of collection, treatment and distribution infrastructure. Requires consideration of specific changes in oversight roles that DENR and the LGC might undertake and possible additional requirements that could be imposed on public systems. Requires joint report by DENR and the LGC to the Legislative Study Commission on Water and Wastewater Infrastructure no later than Nov. 1, 2010.

July 28, 2010

SL 2010-144 (H 1746). WATER INFRASTRUCTURE INFORMATION NEEDS. AN ACT TO:
(1) DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES, IN CONJUNCTION WITH OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES, TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A STATEWIDE SURVEY TO SUPPLEMENT THE CURRENT INFORMATION USED TO ASSESS THE STATE'S WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS, DEVELOP A PLAN FOR INCORPORATING THE INFORMATION COMPILED FROM THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY SURVEY INTO THE STATE WATER SUPPLY PLAN, AND DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING A STATEWIDE WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE RESOURCE AND FUNDING DATABASE; AND (2) DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMISSION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER TO JOINTLY EVALUATE THE POTENTIAL BENEFITS OF MONITORING THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS AND WASTEWATER SYSTEMS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE. Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 5/17/10, 6/9/10, 6/16/10, and 6/29/10. Enacted July 22, 2010. Effective July 22, 2010.