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H 475. LIMIT SANITARY DISTRICT PENALTIES/LATE PAYMT. Filed 3/5/09. *PERTAINING TO THE HANDY SANITARY DISTRICT'S AUTHORITY TO CHARGE CERTAIN LATE FEES FOR DELINQUENT CHARGES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES, AND TO REQUIRE A GRACE PERIOD FOR THE DISCONTINUATION OF SERVICE DUE TO DELINQUENT PAYMENT OF FEES.*

Amends GS 130A-64 to prohibit the Handy Sanitary District from imposing a late fee of more than \$10 or 10% of the amount due, whichever is greater, for water and sewer services charges and rates on an account that is less than 30 days past due. Specifies that the sanitary district board is not prohibited from imposing an additional late fee on an account that is more than 30 days past due. Also prohibits the sanitary district board from discontinuing or disconnecting service for nonpayment of a delinquent account, unless the account is at least 30 days past due and written notice has been provided, by first class mail, to the individual or entity responsible for payment at least five days prior to discontinuance or discontinuation. Effective for Davidson, Randolph, and Montgomery counties and any additional counties to which the Handy Sanitary District may be extended.

Intro. by Dockham.

Davidson, Randolph, Montgomery