

March 23, 2009

H 749. USE OF CISTERNS IN CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION. Filed 3/23/09. *TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE BUILDING CODE TO PERMIT THE USE OF CISTERNS TO PROVIDE WATER FOR FLUSHING TOILETS AND FOR OUTDOOR IRRIGATION IN THE CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION OF RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES AND TO PROHIBIT ANY STATE, COUNTY, OR LOCAL BUILDING CODE OR REGULATION FROM PROHIBITING THE USE OF CISTERNS FOR THESE USES.*

Amends GS 143-138(b) to provide that the state building code may contain rules pertaining to the construction or renovation of residential or commercial buildings and structures that allow the use of cisterns, installed indoor or outdoor and located underground, at ground level, or on elevated stands, to provide water for flushing toilets and for outdoor irrigation. Prohibits state, county, or local building codes or regulations from prohibiting the use of cisterns for such uses. Defines *cistern* as a storage tank that is watertight, has smooth interior surfaces and enclosed lids, and is fabricated of nonreactive materials such as reinforced concrete, galvanized steel, or plastic, and that is designed to collect rainfall from a catchment area.

Intro. by K. Alexander.

GS 143

April 21, 2009

H 749. USE OF CISTERNS IN CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION. Filed 3/23/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Makes technical and stylistic changes. Clarifies that the act is effective when it becomes law and applies to any cistern that is used to provide water for flushing toilets or for outdoor irrigation *installed on or after that date.*

June 22, 2009

H 749. USE OF CISTERNS IN CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION. Filed 3/23/09. Senate amendment makes the following changes to 2nd edition. Amends GS 143-48.4(c) (related to purchases and contracts) and GS 143-128.4(e) (related to public contracts) to provide that only businesses certified in accordance with the statute are to be considered by state departments, agencies, institutions, and political subdivisions of the state as historically underutilized businesses for minority business participation purposes under GS Chapter 143 (was, those state entities may only use historically underutilized businesses listed in the database created in accordance with the statute for minority business purposes). Makes conforming changes to the effective date and the title.

July 2, 2009

SL 2009-243 (H 749). USE OF CISTERNS IN CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION. AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE BUILDING CODE TO PERMIT THE USE OF CISTERNS TO PROVIDE WATER FOR FLUSHING TOILETS AND FOR OUTDOOR IRRIGATION IN THE CONSTRUCTION OR RENOVATION OF RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES AND TO PROHIBIT ANY STATE, COUNTY, OR LOCAL BUILDING CODE OR REGULATION FROM PROHIBITING THE USE OF CISTERNS FOR THESE USES, AND TO CLARIFY MINORITY BUSINESS PURPOSES FOR PUBLIC CONTRACTS. Summarized in *Daily Bulletin* 3/23/09, 4/21/09, and 6/22/09. Enacted June 30, 2009. Effective June 30, 2009.