

March 26, 2009

H 846. STATEWIDE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN. Filed 3/26/09. *TO DIRECT THE STATE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION TO DEVELOP A STATEWIDE STRATEGIC PLAN AND NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING.*

Requires the State Water Infrastructure Commission to develop a statewide strategic plan for water and wastewater infrastructure funding by May 1, 2010, as recommended in the Final Report to the Joint Legislative Program Evaluation Oversight Committee titled "North Carolina's Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Funding Lacks Strategic Focus and Coordination" (Report Number 2008-12-07). Provides that a needs assessment of the state's water and wastewater infrastructure must be conducted as part of the statewide strategic plan. Specifies information that must be included in the needs assessment and components of the statewide strategic plan. Requires the Commission to contract with an independent entity to develop the strategic plan. Provides that \$375,000 in funds appropriated to the Clean Water Management Trust Fund for the 2009-2010 fiscal year shall be transferred to the Office of the Governor to be used to pay for services rendered pursuant to the contract, and that \$375,000 in funds appropriated to the North Carolina Rural Economic Development Center for the 2009-2010 fiscal year shall be transferred to the Office of the Governor to be used to help pay for services rendered pursuant to the contract. Effective July 1, 2009.

Intro. by Crawford.

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May 13, 2009

H 846. STUDY STATE WATER & WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE (NEW). Filed 3/26/09. House committee substitute makes the following changes to 1st edition. Deletes all provisions of the previous edition and replaces it with *AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE LEGISLATIVE STUDY COMMISSION ON WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE TO ASSESS THE STATE'S NEEDS FOR THE FUNDING OF WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE IN NORTH CAROLINA.* Establishes the 16-member Legislative Study Commission on Water and Wastewater Infrastructure (Commission) to study the development of an ongoing process to identify and regularly report to the General Assembly on statewide water and wastewater infrastructure needs and improve the delivery of state appropriated water and wastewater programs. Specifies duties of the Commission. Provides for the appointment of members, meeting procedures, assignment of staff, and member expenses. Requires the Commission to submit an interim report to the 2009 General Assembly by May 1, 2010, with a final report by the convening of the 2011 Regular Session. Terminates the Commission on the filing of the final report or the convening of the 2011 Regular Session, whichever is earlier.