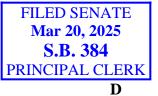
## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2025



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## SENATE BILL DRS15176-MH-80

Short Title:	2025 Safe Drinking Water Act.	(Public)
Sponsors:	Senator Meyer (Primary Sponsor).	
Referred to:		

1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED			
2	AN ACT TO PROTECT NORTH CAROLINA CITIZENS FROM HARMFUL TOXINS IN			
3	DRINKING WATER BY REQUIRING THE COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC HEALTH TO			
4	ESTABLISH MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVELS FOR CHEMICALS THAT ARE			
5	PROBABLE OR KNOWN CARCINOGENS OR ARE OTHERWISE TOXIC.			
6	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:			
7	SEC	<b>TION 1.(a)</b> The Commission for Public Health shall, no later than October 15,		
8	2025:			
9	(1)	Commence rulemaking to establish maximum contaminant levels (MCLs), as		
10		that term is defined under G.S. 130A-313, for probable or known carcinogens		
11		and other toxic chemicals that are likely to pose a substantial hazard to public		
12		health. At a minimum, the Commission shall establish MCLs for all of the		
13		following contaminants:		
14		a. Per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).		
15		b. Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA).		
16		c. Perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS).		
17		d. Hexavalent chromium (chromium-6).		
18		e. 1,4-Dioxane.		
19	(2)	Consider establishment of MCLs for any other contaminants for which at least		
20		two other states have set MCLs or issued guidance.		
21		<b>TION 1.(b)</b> In the course of establishing MCLs as required by subsection (a) of		
22	this section, the Commission shall:			
23	(1)	Review MCLs adopted by other states, the studies and scientific evidence		
24		reviewed by those states, material in the Agency for Toxic Substances and		
25		Disease Registry, and the latest peer-reviewed science and independent or		
26		government agency studies on appropriate MCLs for such contaminants.		
27	(2)	Adopt MCLs protective of public health, including vulnerable subpopulations		
28		such as pregnant and nursing mothers, infants, and children, which state		
29		MCLs shall not exceed any MCL or health advisory established by the United		
30		States Environmental Protection Agency.		
31		<b>TION 2.</b> The Commission for Public Health shall annually review the latest		
32	peer-reviewed science and independent or government agency studies and undertake additional			
33	rulemaking as necessary to establish or revise MCLs for contaminants that are likely to pose a			
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35	SEC	<b>TION 3.</b> This act is effective when it becomes law.		

