



## NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT House Bill 97

AMENDMENT NO. <u>A28</u> (to be filled in by Principal Clerk)

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Amends Title [NO] H97-PCS10387-SVxf-25 Date \_\_\_\_\_,2015

Representative Bryan

1 moves to amend the bill on 166, line 44, by inserting after that line a new special provision to 2 read:

## 3 "ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TESTING

4 **SECTION 14.19.(a)** G.S. 143-215.94B is amended by adding a new subsection to 5 read:

6 In order to be eligible for reimbursement from the Commercial Fund for testing "(i) 7 associated with soil and groundwater assessment, the owner, operator, or landowner that is 8 otherwise eligible for reimbursement must submit proof that soil and groundwater assessment 9 was conducted utilizing the least costly method approved by the Department. In order to utilize 10 any method other than the least costly method, the Department must give authorization to proceed. If a method that is not the least costly method is utilized without prior authorization 11 from the Department, the owner, operator, or landowner shall be responsible for one hundred 12 13 percent (100%) of the soil and groundwater assessment cost. This amount shall not be credited toward any deductible associated with reimbursement under the Commercial Fund." 14

15 **SECTION 14.19.(b)** G.S. 143-215.94D is amended by adding a new subsection to 16 read:

17 In order to be eligible for reimbursement from the Noncommercial Fund for testing "(i) 18 associated with soil and groundwater assessment, the owner, operator, or landowner that is 19 otherwise eligible for reimbursement must submit proof that soil and groundwater assessment 20 was conducted utilizing the least costly method approved by the Department. In order to utilize 21 any method other than the least costly method, the Department must give authorization to 22 proceed. If a method that is not the least costly method is utilized without prior authorization 23 from the Department, the owner, operator, or landowner shall be responsible for one hundred 24 percent (100%) of the soil and groundwater assessment cost. This amount shall not be credited 25 toward any deductible associated with reimbursement under the Noncommercial Fund."

SECTION 14.19.(c) The Legislative Research Commission shall study the reasonable rate tables compiled by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources for reimbursement of soil and groundwater assessment, and, in particular, whether the rate tables and the Department's procedures for compiling and updating the tables facilitate the use of the most cost effective methods for soil and groundwater assessment. The Legislative Research Commission shall report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the 2015 General Assembly when it reconvenes in 2016.".





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