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SENATE BILL 969

Short Title: Air Quality Standard/Hog Farms.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senators Kinnaird; Ballantine, Miller, Odom, and Reeves.

Referred to: Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources.

April 21, 1997

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION TO
2 ADOPT AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS FOR TOXIC AIR
3 POLLUTANTS OR TO APPLY CURRENT STANDARDS FOR TOXIC AIR
4 POLLUTANTS TO INTENSIVE SWINE OPERATIONS.
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6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. G.S. 143-215.107(a) is amended by adding a new subdivision to
8 read:

9 "(11) To develop and adopt ambient air quality standards for ammonia,
10 hydrogen sulfide, and other toxic air pollutants for intensive swine
11 operations or to apply its existing ambient air quality standards for toxic
12 air pollutants to intensive swine operations. For purposes of this
13 subdivision, 'intensive swine operation' means a swine farm, as defined
14 in G.S. 106-802, that has an animal waste management system with a
15 design capacity of more than 400,000 pounds steady state live weight."

16 Section 2. Beginning January 1, 1998, and annually thereafter, the
17 Environmental Management Commission shall report to the Environmental Review
18 Commission on the development, adoption, and implementation of ambient air quality
19 standards for intensive swine operations under Section 1 of this act.

1 Section 3. This act is effective when it becomes law and applies to new and
2 expanding intensive swine operations beginning July 1, 1999, and to existing intensive
3 swine operations beginning July 1, 2004.