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SENATE BILL 412

Short Title: Water Treatment Operators Amends.

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Sponsors: Senators Walker; Tally and Basnight.

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Referred to: Environment and Natural Resources.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO AMEND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR WATER  
TREATMENT FACILITY OPERATORS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 90A-24 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 90A-24. Operator qualifications and examination.**

The Board of Certification, with the advice and assistance of the Secretary of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources shall establish minimum requirements of education, ~~experience and knowledge~~ experience, knowledge, and continuing education requirements for each grade of certification for water treatment facility operators, and shall establish procedures for receiving applications for certification, conducting examinations and making investigations of applicants as may be necessary and appropriate to the end that prompt and fair consideration be given every application and the water treatment facilities of the State may be adequately supervised by certified operators."

Sec. 2. G.S. 90A-25(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) An applicant, upon meeting satisfactorily the appropriate requirements shall be issued a suitable certificate by the Board of Certification designating the level of his competency. ~~Certificates shall be permanent unless revoked for cause or replaced by one of a higher grade.~~ Every certificate shall expire on 31 December of the year for which it is issued or renewed unless, prior to its expiration, it is renewed for the following year."

Sec. 3. G.S. 90A-26 reads as rewritten:

**"§ 90A-26. Revocation or suspension of certificate.**

1 The Board of Certification, in accordance with the procedure set forth in Chapter  
2 150B of the General Statutes of North Carolina, may singly or in combination, issue a  
3 reprimand to, or revoke or suspend the certificate of an operator when it is found that  
4 the operator has practiced fraud or deception; that reasonable care, judgment, or the  
5 application of his knowledge or ability was not used in the performance of his duties; ~~or~~  
6 that the operator is incompetent or unable to properly perform his ~~duties.~~ duties; or that  
7 the operator has failed to comply with requirements for certification or renewal of  
8 certification."

9 Sec. 4. G.S. 90A-27(b) reads as rewritten:

10 "(b) In establishing procedures for receiving renewal applications, the Board of  
11 Certification may establish fees or a schedule of fees, including late fees and fees for the  
12 renewal of expired certificates, adequate to meet the anticipated costs of renewal of  
13 certification, not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) per ~~license.~~ certificate."

14 Sec. 5. This act is effective upon ratification.