

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**SESSION 1993**

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**SENATE BILL 1274**

Short Title: Watershed Exemption.

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Sponsors: Senators Hyde and Winner of Buncombe.

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Referred to: Environment and Natural Resources.

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July 1, 1993

1   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THAT THE REGULATION OF WATER SUPPLY  
3 WATERSHEDS DOES NOT APPLY TO CERTAIN WATERSHEDS.

4           Whereas, the regulation of all watersheds unfairly restricts the economic  
5 development and growth of some local governments; and

6           Whereas, the terrain in Western North Carolina makes the regulation of all  
7 watersheds unnecessary; and

8           Whereas, it is unknown whether watershed zoning regulations would  
9 adversely affect the extension of Interstate Highway 26 to the Tennessee state line;

10 Now, therefore,

11 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

12           Section 1. Notwithstanding any other law, the provisions of G.S. 143-214.5  
13 shall not apply if a water supply watershed is located partially or completely in a county  
14 that has a point of elevation of at least 1,650 feet and is not being used as a water supply  
15 for any municipality on July 1, 1993.

16           Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.