

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 930

Short Title: Limit Cost/Rules for Water Tests.

(Public)

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Sponsors: Representatives Allred; Buchanan, Cansler, Davis, Nichols, Reynolds, Russell, and Sexton.

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Referred to: Health and Environment.

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April 12, 1995

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE STATE LABORATORY OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO  
2 PROVIDE SERVICES TO TEST DRINKING WATER SAMPLES, TO  
3 ESTABLISH A FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE STATE WATER TESTING  
4 SERVICES, AND TO PROVIDE THAT NO STATE RULE REGULATING  
5 DRINKING WATER STANDARDS AND TESTING MAY BE MORE  
6 RESTRICTIVE THAN THE FEDERAL LAW.  
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8 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

9 Section 1. G.S. 130A-88 reads as rewritten:

10 "(a) A State Laboratory of Public Health is established within the Department. The  
11 State Laboratory of Public Health shall provide water testing services at a reasonable cost  
12 to any person required to test drinking water supplies for contaminants under the federal  
13 Safe Drinking Water Act. The Department is authorized to make examinations, and  
14 provide consultation and technical assistance as the public health may require.

15 (a1) The fees to be charged by the State Laboratory of Public Health for water  
16 testing services shall be determined by the General Assembly.

17 (b) The Commission shall adopt rules necessary for the operation of the State  
18 Laboratory of Public Health."

19 Sec. 2. G.S. 130A-315(c) reads as rewritten:

1       "(c) The drinking water rules may be amended as necessary in accordance with  
2 required federal regulations. In adopting rules and management practices, the  
3 Commission shall be guided by the same considerations and criteria set forth, from time  
4 to time, in federal law for the guidance of federal agencies administering the federal Safe  
5 Drinking Water Act. The drinking water standards, limitations, and drinking water  
6 testing requirements adopted under this Article shall be no more restrictive than the most  
7 nearly applicable federal standard, limitation, or testing requirement."

8               Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.