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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMISSION
FROM ADOPTING CERTAIN PERMANENT RULES FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE
OF THIS ACT UNTIL JULY 1, 2011, EXCEPT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law and except as provided
in Section 2 of this act, the Environmental Management Commission shall not adopt any
permanent rule regarding any requirement to test water quality by animal feeding operations for
the period beginning the day this act becomes law and ending July 1, 2011.

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding the moratorium on the adoption of permanent rules
established by Section 1 of this act, the Environmental Management Commission may adopt a
permanent rule during the moratorium period if the adoption of the rule is required by one or
more of the following:

- (1) A serious and unforeseen threat to public health, safety, welfare, the
environment, or natural resources.
- (2) An act of the General Assembly or the United States Congress specifically
directing the Commission to adopt a rule.
- (3) A change in federal or State budgetary policy.
- (4) A federal regulation.
- (5) A court order.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

