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SENATE DRS55054-LD-17 (02/02)

Short Title: Limit Well Water Testing for VOC's.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Snow.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO LIMIT DRINKING WATER TESTING FOR THE PRESENCE OF VOLATILE  
3 ORGANIC COMPOUNDS IN WATER OBTAINED FROM NEWLY CONSTRUCTED  
4 PRIVATE DRINKING WATER WELLS BASED UPON THE RISK OF THE  
5 COMPOUNDS' PRESENCE.  
6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
7 SECTION 1. G.S. 87-97(h) reads as rewritten:  
8 "(h) (Effective October 1, 2009) Drinking Water Testing. – Within 30 days after it  
9 issues a certificate of completion for a newly constructed private drinking water well, the local  
10 health department shall test the water obtained from the well or ensure that the water obtained  
11 from the well has been sampled and tested by a certified laboratory in accordance with rules  
12 adopted by the Commission for Public Health. The water shall be tested for the following  
13 parameters: arsenic, barium, cadmium, chromium, copper, fluoride, lead, iron, magnesium,  
14 manganese, mercury, nitrates, nitrites, selenium, silver, sodium, zinc, pH, and bacterial  
15 indicators, indicators. The local health department shall make a specific determination as to  
16 whether the water obtained from the well shall be tested for the following additional parameters  
17 based on the risk of their presence at the site of the newly constructed private drinking water  
18 well: methyl tert-butyl ether, ethylene dibromide, 1,2-dichloroethane, 1,2-dichloropropane,  
19 isopropyl ether, benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, xylenes, trichloroethylene, and  
20 tetrachloroethylene."  
21 SECTION 2. This act becomes effective October 1, 2009.

