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SENATE BILL DRS45447-MHa-141

Short Title: Funds/Water Filtration Grants. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Sawrey (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO PROVIDE SAFE DRINKING WATER TO LOW
3 INCOME HOUSEHOLDS IN THE NEUSE AND CAPE FEAR RIVER BASINS.
4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
5 **SECTION 1.(a)** Appropriation. – The sum of two million five hundred thousand
6 dollars (\$2,500,000) in nonrecurring funds for the 2024-2025 fiscal year is appropriated from the
7 General Fund to the Department of Environmental Quality for the Bernard Allen Memorial
8 Emergency Drinking Water Fund established by G.S. 87-98.
9 **SECTION 1.(b)** Limitations and Eligibility. – Notwithstanding provisions of
10 G.S. 87-98 to the contrary, these funds shall be used for the provision of water filtration systems
11 to households with incomes at one hundred fifty percent (150%) or less of the current federal
12 poverty level and that are located in the Neuse or Cape Fear river basins. For purposes of this
13 section, a water filtration means a point-of-use or point-of-entry drinking water filtration system
14 capable of removing per-fluoroalkyl or poly-fluoroalkyl substances.
15 **SECTION 2.** Effective Date. – This act becomes effective July 1, 2024.

