

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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HOUSE BILL 275

Short Title: Extend Moratorium on Swine Farms. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Hill; Faison, Pate, Spear, Stiller, and Tucker.

Referred to: Agriculture, if favorable, Environment and Natural Resources.

February 21, 2007

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO EXTEND THE STATEWIDE MORATORIUM ON THE
2 CONSTRUCTION OR EXPANSION OF SWINE FARMS.

3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

4 **SECTION 1.** Subsection (a1) of Section 1.1 of S.L. 1997-458, as amended
5 by Section 2 of S.L. 1998-188, Section 2.1 of S.L. 1999-329, Section 1 of S.L.
6 2001-254, and Section 1 of S.L. 2003-266, reads as rewritten:

7 "(a1) There is hereby established a moratorium on the construction or expansion of
8 swine farms and on lagoons and animal waste management systems for swine farms.
9 The purposes of this moratorium are to allow time for the completion of ongoing
10 evaluations of animal waste management technologies and related research and studies;
11 to allow the General Assembly to receive and act on the findings and recommendations
12 of those evaluations, research, and studies; and to allow for the implementation of any
13 legislation that may be enacted. Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the
14 Environmental Management Commission shall not issue a permit for an animal waste
15 management system for a new swine farm or the expansion of an existing swine farm
16 for a period beginning on 1 March 1997 and ending on 1 September ~~2007~~2010. The
17 construction or expansion of a swine farm or animal waste management system for a
18 swine farm is prohibited during the period of the moratorium regardless of the date on
19 which a site evaluation for the swine farm is completed and regardless of whether the
20 animal waste management system is permitted under G.S. 143-215.1 or Part 1A of
21 Article 21 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes or deemed permitted under 15A North
22 Carolina Administrative Code 2H.0217."

23 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective August 31, 2007.
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