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Short Title: Amend Environmental Reporting Reqs. 2007. (Public)
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO AMEND OR REPEAL VARIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTING REQUIREMENTS, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: SECTION 1. G.S. 77-98 reads as rewritten: "§ 77-98. Annual report. The Commission shall submit an annual report, including any recommendations, on or before 1 October of each year to the Governor of North Carolina, the Environmental Review Commission of the General Assembly of North Carolina, the Governor of
Virginia, and the General Assembly of Virginia." SECTION 2. G.S. 106-744 reads as rewritten: "§ 106-744. Purchase of agricultural conservation easements; establishment of
North Carolina Agricultural Development and Farmland Preservation Preservation Trust Fund and Advisory Committee.
(i) The Advisory Committee shall report no later than May 1 of each year to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, the Environmental Review Commission, and the House of Representatives and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Natural and Economic Resources regarding the activities of the Advisory Committee, the agriculture easements purchased, and agricultural projects funded during the previous year.
SECTION 3. G.S. 130A-294.1 reads as rewritten: "§ 130A-294.1. Fees applicable to generators and transporters of hazardous waste, and to hazardous waste storage, treatment, and disposal facilities.

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the fee system established by this section is solely to provide funding in addition to federal and State appropriations to support the State's hazardous waste management program.

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(p) The Department shall make an annual report on or before 1 October to the General Assembly and its Fiscal Research Division on the cost of the hazardous waste management program. The report shall include, but is not limited to, beginning fund balance, fees collected under this section, anticipated revenue from all sources, total expenditures (byby activities and categories) categories for the hazardous waste management program, ending fund balance, any recommended adjustments in the annual and tonnage fees which may be necessary to assure the continued availability of funds sufficient to pay the State's share of the cost of the hazardous waste management program, and any other information requested by the General Assembly. In recommending adjustments in annual and tonnage fees, the Department may propose fees for hazardous waste generators, and for hazardous waste treatment facilities which treat waste generated on-site, which are designed to encourage reductions in the volume or quantity and toxicity of hazardous waste."

SECTION 4. This act is effective when it becomes law.