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Short Title: Additional Rqmts. for Fracking Operations. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative L. Hall.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH ADDITIONAL PERMIT REQUIREMENTS GOVERNING APPLICANTS FOR A PERMIT TO CONDUCT OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS, INCLUDING USE OF HORIZONTAL DRILLING AND HYDRAULIC FRACTURING TREATMENTS FOR THAT PURPOSE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 113-395.1 reads as rewritten:

"§ 113-395.1. Miscellaneous permit requirements.

- (a) The Department shall require that all natural gas compressor stations associated with an oil and gas drilling operation be located inside a baffled building.
- (b) The applicant for a permit to conduct oil and gas operations, including use of horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing treatments for that purpose, shall contract with a qualified third party, approved by the Department, to conduct an environmental audit of the proposed site on which activities are to be conducted. The baseline data for groundwater, surface water, and air quality collected pursuant to rules adopted under G.S. 113-391(a)(5)b. and the data resulting from the pre-drilling test of water supplies conducted in conformance with G.S. 113-423(f) shall be used to prepare a comprehensive report detailing the conditions of environmental media at the proposed site prior to issuance of a permit.
- (c) All trucks and other vehicles transporting wastewater produced from an oil and gas drilling operation, including that wastewater produced from horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing treatments for that purpose, shall contain a clear and visible label affixed to the outside of the vehicle indicating that the vehicle is transporting wastewater produced from these activities."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

