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HOUSE BILL 1824  
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Short Title: Promote Low Impact Development.

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Sponsors:

Referred to:

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2 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
3 AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE USE OF LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT TO  
4 REDUCE STORMWATER RUNOFF.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 SECTION 1. Article 21 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes is amended  
7 by adding a new section to read:

8 "**§ 143-215.7A. Low impact development.**

9 (a) As used in this section, "low impact development" means a stormwater  
10 management and land development strategy that emphasizes conservation and the use of  
11 on-site natural features combined with engineered, small-scale hydrologic controls to  
12 closely mimic predevelopment hydrology of an individual parcel or subdivision.

13 (b) Low impact development practices may be utilized to meet or exceed the  
14 requirements of Section 9 of S.L. 2006-246 and G.S. 143-214.7.

15 (c) The Department of Transportation shall develop and adopt low impact  
16 development standards for:

17 (1) Subdivision roads and private roads that connect to the stormwater  
18 management conveyance system operated by the Department of  
19 Transportation.

20 (2) Subdivision roads that are constructed with the intent to transfer  
21 ownership and maintenance to the Department of Transportation.

22 (d) The Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall revise its water  
23 quality best management practices manual and model ordinance for stormwater controls  
24 to incorporate low impact development practices.

25 (e) The Department of Environment and Natural Resources and the Department  
26 of Transportation shall adopt rules to implement this section."

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