

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2011

SESSION LAW 2011-41  
HOUSE BILL 162

AN ACT TO EXEMPT CERTAIN ACTIVITIES RELATED TO SMALL-SCALE PROCESSING OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS FROM WASTEWATER PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 143-215.1 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(a5) For purposes of this subsection, "agricultural products" means horticultural, viticultural, forestry, dairy, livestock, poultry, bee, and any farm products. Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, a permit shall not be required for a wastewater management system for the treatment and disposal of wastewater produced from activities related to the processing of agricultural products if all of the following conditions are met:

- (1) The activities related to the processing of the agricultural products are carried out by the owner of the agricultural products.
- (2) The activities related to the processing of the agricultural products produce no more than 1,000 gallons of wastewater per day.
- (3) The wastewater is not generated by an animal waste management system as defined in G.S. 143-215.10B.
- (4) The wastewater is disposed of by land application.
- (5) No wastewater is discharged to surface waters.
- (6) The disposal of the wastewater does not result in any violation of surface water or groundwater standards."

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

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011.

s/ Walter H. Dalton  
President of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

s/ Beverly E. Perdue  
Governor

Approved 9:45 a.m. this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2011

