

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1991 SESSION

CHAPTER 576
SENATE BILL 449

AN ACT TO REQUIRE OPERATING PERMITS FOR COMMUNITY WATER SYSTEMS REGULATED UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA DRINKING WATER ACT AND TO AUTHORIZE THE COLLECTION OF FEES FOR SUCH PERMITS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 10 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 130A-328. Community water system operating permit and permit fee.

(a) No person shall operate a community water system who has not been issued an operating permit by the Department. A community water system operating permit shall be valid for one year from the date of issue unless suspended or revoked by the Department for cause. The Commission shall adopt rules concerning permit issuance and renewal and permit suspension and revocation.

(b) The following fees are imposed for the issuance or renewal of a permit to operate a community water system; the fees are based on the number of persons served by the system:

<u>Number of Persons Served</u>	<u>Fee</u>
<u>100 or fewer</u>	<u>\$150</u>
<u>More than 100 but no more than 500</u>	<u>\$175</u>
<u>More than 500 but no more than 3300</u>	<u>\$300</u>
<u>More than 3300 but no more than 5000</u>	<u>\$450</u>
<u>More than 5000 but no more than 10,000</u>	<u>\$550</u>
<u>More than 10,000 but no more than 50,000</u>	<u>\$650</u>
<u>More than 50,000</u>	<u>\$850</u>

All fees collected under this section shall be credited to the General Fund and shall be used, subject to appropriation by the General Assembly to the Department, to defray the cost of administering and enforcing this Article."

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective January 1, 1992, except that the authorization of the Commission for Health Services to adopt rules to implement this act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 8th day of July, 1991.

James C. Gardner

President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr.
Speaker of the House of Representatives