

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**SENATE BILL 844\***

Short Title: Amend Environmental Laws 2007.

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Sponsors: Senator Albertson.

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Referred to: Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO AMEND CERTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS TO PROVIDE THAT  
2 AN APPLICATION FOR A CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FOR A PRIVATE  
3 DRINKING WATER WELL THAT IS TO BE LOCATED ON A SITE ON  
4 WHICH A WASTEWATER SYSTEM IS LOCATED MAY BE ACCOMPANIED  
5 BY A SITE PLAN RATHER THAN A PLAT AND TO PROVIDE THAT PROOF  
6 OF COMPLETION OF ANY REQUIRED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IS  
7 REQUIRED FOR RENEWAL OF A WELL CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATE, AS  
8 RECOMMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION.  
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10 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

11 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 87-97(d) reads as rewritten:

12 "(d) Well Site Evaluation. – The local health department shall conduct a field  
13 investigation to evaluate the site on which a private drinking water well is proposed to  
14 be located before issuing a permit pursuant to this section. The field investigation shall  
15 determine whether there is any abandoned well located on the site, and if so, the  
16 construction permit shall be conditioned upon the proper closure of all abandoned wells  
17 located on the site in accordance with the requirements of this Article and rules adopted  
18 pursuant to this Article. If a private drinking water well is proposed to be located on a  
19 site on which a wastewater system subject to the requirements of Article 11 of Chapter  
20 130A of the General Statutes is located or proposed to be located, the application for a  
21 construction permit shall be accompanied by a ~~plat~~, plat or site plan, as defined in  
22 G.S. 130A-334."

23 **SECTION 2.** G.S. 87-98.7(b) reads as rewritten:

24 "(b) Renewal. – A certificate shall be renewed annually by payment of the annual  
25 fee and proof that the applicant has completed any professional development hours as  
26 may be required by the rules of the Commission. A person who fails to renew a  
27 certificate within 30 days of the expiration of the certificate must reapply for  
28 certification under this Article."

29 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.