## GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2009

## SENATE BILL 1259 RATIFIED BILL

## AN ACT TO DELAY THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE RULE TO CHANGE THE WATER QUALITY CLASSIFICATION OF BOYLSTON CREEK AND TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC DISCUSSION OF THE RULE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** Notwithstanding G.S. 150B-21.3, French Broad River Basin Rule 15A NCAC 02B .0304, as adopted by the Environmental Management Commission on March 12, 2009, and approved by the Rules Review Commission on April 16, 2009, is effective July 1, 2011. Nothing in this act restricts the authority of the General Assembly to take further action on this issue, either as to the substance of the Rule or its effective date.

**SECTION 2.** No later than January 1, 2011, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall provide for at least two public meetings on French Broad River Basin Rule 15A NCAC 02B .0304, as adopted by the Environmental Management Commission on March 12, 2009, and approved by the Rules Review Commission on April 16, 2009, in the vicinity of the area to be affected by the adoption of the Rule. The purpose of the public meetings is to provide information on the operation of the Rule, including what activities would be allowed and what activities would be prohibited by operation of the Rule.

**SECTION 3.** No later than January 15, 2011, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall report to the Environmental Review Commission regarding the public meetings required by Section 2 of this act.

**SECTION 4.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2010.

Walter H. Dalton President of the Senate

Joe Hackney Speaker of the House of Representatives

Beverly E. Perdue Governor

