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Short Title:	Hog Lagoon Phase Out/Livestock Treatment.	(Public)	
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April 15, 2013

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PHASE OUT TRADITIONAL ANIMAL WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS THAT SERVE SWINE FARMS AND TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM HUMANE STANDARDS FOR THE TREATMENT OF COWS, POULTRY, AND SWINE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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SECTION 1. Section 1(b) of S.L. 2007-523 reads as rewritten:

"SECTION 1.(b) Continued Operation. Phaseout. — An animal waste management system that serves a swine farm for which a permit was issued prior to 1 September 2007 and that does not meet the requirements of G.S. 143-215.10I, as enacted by subsection (a) of this section, may continue to operate under, and shall operate in compliance with, that permit, including any renewal of the permit. permit, until the later of September 1, 2018, or 12 years from the date on which the animal waste management was first permitted or deemed permitted. The owner or operator of an animal waste management system that employs a lagoon and sprayfield system that is phased out pursuant to this act shall close all of the components of the animal waste management system in compliance with all applicable federal and State laws, regulations, and rules."

SECTION 2. Chapter 106 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new Article to read:

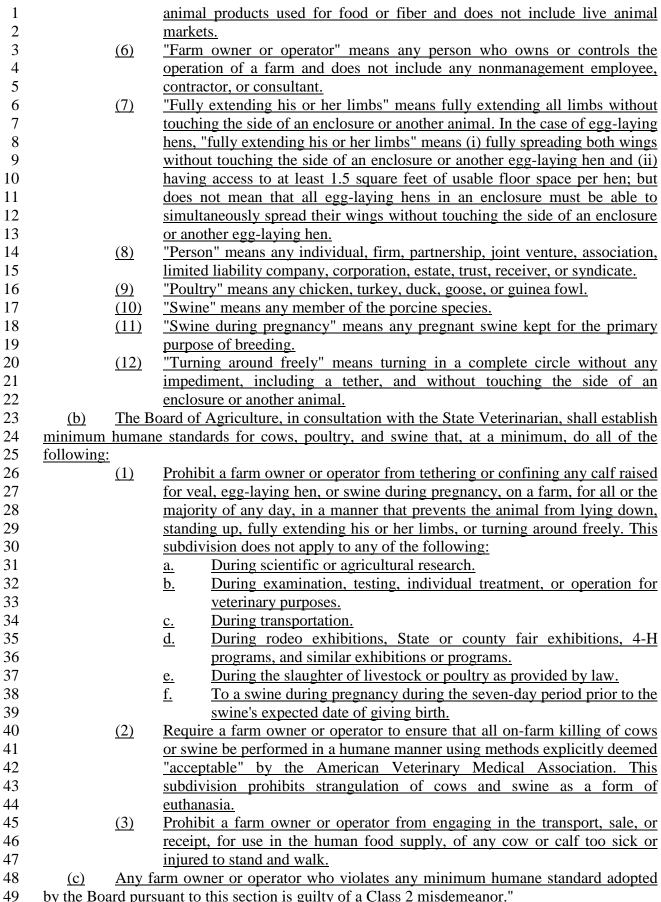
"Article 49I.

"Minimum Humane Standards for Certain Farm Animals.

"§ 106-549.99. Minimum standards to prevent the inhumane treatment of certain farm animals.

- (a) As used in this section, the following definitions apply:
 - (1) "Calf raised for veal" means any calf of the bovine species kept for the purpose of producing the food product described as veal.
 - (2) "Cow" means any member of the bovine species, including calves.
 - (3) "Egg-laying hen" means any female domesticated chicken, turkey, duck, goose, or guinea fowl kept for the purpose of egg production.
 - "Enclosure" means any cage, crate, or other structure, including what is commonly described as a "veal crate" for calves, a "battery cage" for egg-laying hens, or a "gestation crate" for swine, used to confine a calf raised for veal, an egg-laying hen, or a swine during pregnancy.
 - (5) "Farm" means the land, buildings, support facilities, and other equipment that are wholly or partially used for the commercial production of animals or





by the Board pursuant to this section is guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor."

SECTION 3. Section 2 of this act becomes effective January 1, 2014. The

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SECTION 3. Section 2 of this act becomes effective January 1, 2014. The remaining sections of this act are effective when this act becomes law.

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