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Short Title: General Animal Waste Permits.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED BY GENERAL PERMITS  
3 FOR CERTAIN ANIMAL OPERATIONS.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. G.S. 143-215.10C is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 "(a1) The general permits for animal operations shall not require any of the  
7 following:

8 (1) That application of animal waste onto land used to grow crops for direct  
9 human consumption be prohibited within any specified time period  
10 prior to or during the planting of the crop, during the growing season,  
11 or, in the case of fruit trees, prior to breaking dormancy.

12 (2) That application of animal waste onto land used to grow fiber or food  
13 crops for direct human consumption that undergo further processing be  
14 prohibited within any specified time period prior to the harvesting of the  
15 crop.

16 (3) That animal waste be incorporated into the soil within any specified  
17 time period after it is applied onto bare soil.

18 (4) That waste application and handling equipment be maintained on-site,  
19 when it is provided by the owner or operator.

- 1           (5)   That inspection of a waste collection, treatment, storage, or transmission  
2           structure be performed more frequently than annually, when the  
3           structure is under the control of the owner or operator.
- 4           (6)   That records be maintained of maintenance and repairs of a waste  
5           collection, treatment, or transmission structure, when the structure is  
6           under the control of the owner or operator.
- 7           (7)   That repairs of a waste treatment, storage, or transmission structure be  
8           approved by a technical specialist.
- 9           (8)   That streams be fenced to prevent grazing cattle from accessing  
10          drinking water."
- 11          Section 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.