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HOUSE BILL 634: Stormwater/Built-Up Area Clarification

2015-2016 General Assembly

Committee: House Environment
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SUMMARY: *House Bill 634 would provide that for purposes of implementing stormwater programs, "built-upon area" does not include a surface of number 57 stone, as designated by the American Society for Testing and Materials, laid at least 4" thick over a geotextile fabric.*

CURRENT LAW:

Under current law, for purposes of implementing stormwater programs, "built-upon area" means impervious surface and partially impervious surface to the extent that the partially impervious surface does not allow water to infiltrate through the surface and into the subsoil. "Built-upon area" does not include a slatted deck or the water area of a swimming pool.

BILL ANALYSIS:

House Bill 634 would provide that for purposes of implementing stormwater programs, "built-upon area" does not include a surface of number 57 stone, as designated by the American Society for Testing and Materials, laid at least 4" thick over a geotextile fabric.

House Bill 634 also directs the Environmental Management Commission to issue rules to implement this change no later than December 1, 2015.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

This act would become effective when it becomes law.

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