

SENATE BILL 257: Appropriations Act of 2017, Sec. 13.24: In Situ Nutrient Management Strategies

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OVERVIEW: The 2016 Appropriations Act (Section 14.13 of S.L. 2016-94) directed the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to study in situ approaches to nutrient management in Falls Lake and Jordan Lake, and appropriated funds for a trial of in situ technology. Section 13.24 of S.L. 2017-57 revises the 2016 directive to (i) direct DEQ to begin sampling and testing activities to support the permitting of an in situ trial by September 1, 2017, (ii) remove from the study an assessment of whether in situ technologies are more cost effective than conventional nutrient management strategies, and (iii) change the reporting requirement for the trial to require an interim report on September 1 of any year in which the study and trial are onging, with a final report no later than December 31, 2020.

This section became effective July 1, 2017.

