

SENATE BILL 257: Appropriations Act of 2017, Sec. 13.6: Study Erosion and Sediment Control/NPDES Stormwater Merger

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OVERVIEW: Section 13.6 of S.L. 2017-57 directs the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to study the budget and programmatic impacts of (i) abolishing the Sedimentation Control Commission and transferring its duties to the Environmental Management Commission; and (ii) combining DEQ's sedimentation and erosion control permitting program with the federally mandated NPDES stormwater permitting program. DEQ is directed to present its report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources and the chairs of the corresponding budget committees no later than April 1, 2018.

This section became effective July 1, 2017.

