

## **HOUSE BILL 1105:**

Coronavirus Relief Act 3.0, Sec. 3.19: Reallow Licensed Soil Scientists to Evalute, Inspect, and Approve On-Site Wastewater Systems Projects During the Coronavirus Emergency

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OVERVIEW: Sec. 4.18 of 2020-3 authorizes an individual licensed as a soil scientist to prepare signed and sealed soil and site evaluations, specifications, plans, and reports for the site layout, construction, operation, and maintenance of a wastewater system without needing any further certification from the North Carolina On-Site Wastewater Contractors and Inspectors Board. A licensed soil scientist is also authorized to conduct all necessary inspections, certifications, and approvals, including the issuance of the final inspection and report. Such authority is at the direction of the owner of a proposed on-site wastewater.

This section became effective September 4, 2020, and will expire 90 days after Executive Order 116 is rescinded. However, the expiration of this section does not prevent a licensed soil scientist acting under this section's authority from completing a proposed wastewater system begun before this section expired.