



This Bill Analysis reflects the contents of the bill as it was presented in committee.

HOUSE BILL 495: Prohibit Municipal Regs/Offsite Easements.

2019-2020 General Assembly

Committee:	Senate Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources. If favorable, re-refer to Rules and Operations of the Senate	Date:	June 13, 2019
Introduced by:	Rep. McElraft	Prepared by:	Jeff Hudson
Analysis of:	Second Edition		Committee Counsel

OVERVIEW: House Bill 495 would prohibit a municipality from enacting an ordinance or enforcing an existing ordinance to prohibit or regulate the use of an off-site wastewater system or other system approved by the Department of Public Health under rules adopted by the Commission for Public Health when the system meets the conditions of the approval.

CURRENT LAW: Article 11 of Chapter 130A of the General Statutes provides for the regulation of wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal systems by the Department of Health and Human Services under rules adopted by the Commission for Public Health or a local board of health. A wastewater system is a system of wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal in single or multiple components, including a ground absorption system, privy, septic tank system, public or community wastewater system, wastewater reuse or recycle system, mechanical or biological wastewater treatment system, any other similar system, and any chemical toilet used only for human waste.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 495 would prohibit a municipality from enacting an ordinance or enforcing an existing ordinance to prohibit or regulate the use of an off-site wastewater system or other system approved by the Department of Public Health under rules adopted by the Commission for Public Health when the system meets the conditions of the approval.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The act would become effective when the bill becomes law.

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