



# HOUSE BILL 139: Soil Scientist/On-Site Wastewater Cert. Bd.

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<b>Committee:</b>	Senate Agriculture, Energy, and Environment.	<b>Date:</b>	June 8, 2021
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**OVERVIEW:** *House Bill 139 would add a licensed soil scientist to the North Carolina On-Site Wastewater Contractors and Inspectors Certification Board in substitution of an employee of the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service.*

**CURRENT LAW:** The North Carolina On-Site Wastewater Contractors and Inspectors Certification Board (Board) is a nine-member board whose members serve three-year terms. The Board has general regulatory and administrative authority over the construction, installation, and repair of on-site wastewater systems and those persons who construct, install, repair, and inspect those systems. Three Board members are appointed by the Governor, three by the General Assembly upon recommendation of the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and three by the General Assembly upon recommendation of the Speaker of the House. One appointee of the House of Representatives must be a person employed by the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service who is knowledgeable in the area of on-site wastewater systems.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** House Bill 139 would add a licensed soil scientist experienced in soil and site evaluation to the Board in substitution of the person employed by the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service knowledgeable in the area of on-site wastewater systems.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The act would be effective July 1, 2021.

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