



# HOUSE BILL 850: Interbasin Transfer Moratorium/Study.

*2025-2026 General Assembly*

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S.L. 2025-74 (House Bill 850) directs the North Carolina Collaboratory at the University of North Carolina to study the current process for approving large surface water transfers between river basins and recommend changes to the General Assembly no later than the convening of the 2027 General Assembly. This act also imposes a moratorium on the issuance of any approvals for surface water transfers more than 15 million gallons per day. This moratorium expires March 1, 2027.

This act became effective July 9, 2025.

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