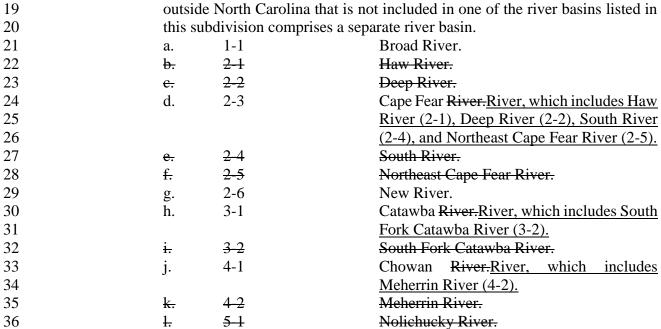
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2025

S SENATE BILL 605

	Short Title:	IBT Subbasin/TMDI	Transport Factor.	(Public)			
	Sponsors:	Senators Sawrey and	P. Newton (Primary Sponsors).				
	Referred to:	Rules and Operation	s of the Senate				
			March 26, 2025				
	REQUIR TRANSF AND TO APPLICA	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED TO ELIMINATE SUBBASIN DESIGNATIONS AND REMOVE THE UIREMENT FOR AN INTERBASIN TRANSFER CERTIFICATE FOR WATER NSFERS BETWEEN SUBBASINS WITHIN THE SAME MAJOR RIVER BASIN TO REVISE 2020 FARM ACT TMDL TRANSPORT FACTOR CALCULATION LICABILITY. eral Assembly of North Carolina enacts:					
	ELIMINATE SUBBASIN DESIGNATIONS FOR IBT PROCESS SECTION 1.(a) G.S. 143-215.22G reads as rewritten: "§ 143-215.22G. Definitions. In addition to the definitions set forth in G.S. 143-212 and G.S. 143-213, the following definitions apply to this Part.						
;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;;	"River basin" means any of the following river basins designated on the rentitled "Major River Basins and Sub-basins in North Carolina" and filed the Office of the Secretary of State on 16 April 1991. The term "river basincludes any portion of the river basin that extends into another state. Any a outside North Carolina that is not included in one of the river basins listed this subdivision comprises a separate river basin. a. 1-1 Broad River. b. 2-1 Haw River. e. 2-2 Deep River.						





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	m.	5-2	French Broad River.River, which include	
			Nolichucky River (5-1) and Pigeon River	
			<u>(5-3).</u>	
	n.	5-3	Pigeon River.	
	0.	6-1	Hiwassee River.	
	p.	7-1	Little Tennessee River.River, which	
	-		includes Tuskasegee (Tuckasegee) Riv	
			<u>(7-2).</u>	
	q.	7-2	Tuskasegee (Tuckasegee) River.	
	r.	8-1	Savannah River.	
	s.	9-1	Lumber River. River, which includes B	
			Shoe Heel Creek (9-2), and Waccama	
			River (9-3).	
	ŧ.	9-2	Big Shoe Heel Creek.	
	u.	9-3	Waccamaw River.	
	v.	9-4	Shallotte River.	
	w.	10-1	Neuse River. River, which includes	
			Contentnea Creek (10-2) and Trent Riv	
			(10-3).	
	X.	10-2	Contentnea Creek.	
	y.	10-3	Trent River.	
	Z.	11-1	New River.	
	aa.	12-1	Albemarle Sound.	
	bb.	13-1	Ocoee River.	
	cc.	14-1	Roanoke River.	
	dd.	15-1	Tar River. River, which includes Fishi	
			Creek (15-2) and Pamlico River and Sou	
			(15-3).	
	ee.	15-2	Fishing Creek.	
	ff.	15-3	Pamlico River and Sound.	
	gg.	16-1	Watauga River.	
	hh.	17-1	White Oak River.	
	ii.	18-1	Yadkin (Yadkin-Pee Dee) River. River,	
			which includes South Yadkin River (18-2	
			Uwharrie River (18-3), and Rocky River	
			(18-4).	
	jj.	18-2	South Yadkin River.	
	kk.	18-3	Uwharrie River.	
	11.	18-4	Rocky River.	
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SECTION 1.(b) This section is effective when it becomes law and applies to water withdrawals or transfers initiated or modified on or after that date.

REVISE 2020 FARM ACT TMDL TRANSPORT FACTOR CALCULATION APPLICABILITY

SECTION 2. Section 15 of S.L. 2020-18, as amended by Section 14 of S.L. 2023-137, reads as rewritten:

"SECTION 15.(a) Notwithstanding 15A NCAC 02B .0701 (Nutrient Strategies Definitions), 15A NCAC 02B .0703 (Nutrient Offset Credit Trading), and 15A NCAC 02B .0713 (Neuse Nutrient Strategy: Wastewater Discharge Requirements), nutrient offset credits shall be

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law.

applied to a wastewater permit by applying the TMDL transport factor to the permitted wastewater discharge and to the nutrient offset credits as specified in the 1999 Phase I TMDL.

"SECTION 15.(b) Subsection (a) of this section applies only to wastewater discharge permit applications for a local government located in the Neuse River Basin with a customer base of fewer than 15,000 connections. Basin.

"SECTION 15.(c) The Department of Environmental Quality, in conjunction with affected parties, may begin the modeling necessary to determine new transport zones and delivery factors for the Neuse River Basin for point source discharges and nutrient offset credits. Once the Department has completed the watershed modeling, it shall provide the Environmental Management Commission a list of qualified professionals from which the Commission shall select at least two to validate the modeling. If each of the professionals selected by the Commission validate the model, the Commission may use the modeling and other information provided during the public comment period to adopt new transport zones and delivery factors, if warranted, by rule.

"SECTION 15.(d) This section is effective when it becomes law. Subsection (a) of this section shall expire when the rule required by subsection (c) of this section becomes effective."

EFFECTIVE DATE

SECTION 3. Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective when it becomes