Sponsors: Representative Luebke.
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## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO RAISE THE INCOME TAX RATE PAID ON HIGHLY COMPENSATED TAXPAYERS.
The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
SECTION 1. G.S. 105-134.2(a) reads as rewritten:
"(a) A tax is imposed upon the North Carolina taxable income of every individual. The tax shall be levied, collected, and paid annually and shall be computed at the following percentages of the taxpayer's North Carolina taxable income.
(1) For married individuals who file a joint return under G.S. 105-152 and for surviving spouses, as defined in section 2(a) of the Code:

| Over | Up To | Rate |
| ---: | ---: | :--- |
| 0 | $\$ 21,250$ | $6 \%$ |
| $\$ 21,250$ | $\$ 100,000$ | $7 \%$ |
| $\$ 100,000$ | $\mathrm{NA} \$ 1,000,000$ | $7.75 \%$ |
| $\$ 1,000,000$ | $\underline{\mathrm{NA}}$ | $\underline{8.5 \%}$ |

(2) For heads of households, as defined in section 2(b) of the Code:

| Over | Up To | Rate |
| ---: | ---: | :--- |
| 0 | $\$ 17,000$ | $6 \%$ |
| $\$ 17,000$ | $\$ 80,000$ | $7 \%$ |
| $\$ 80,000$ | $\mathrm{~N} A \$ 800,000$ | $7.75 \%$ |
| $\$ 800,000$ | $\underline{\mathrm{NA}}$ | $\underline{8.5 \%}$ |

(3) For unmarried individuals other than surviving spouses and heads of households:

| Over | Up To | Rate |
| ---: | ---: | :--- |
| 0 | $\$ 12,750$ | $6 \%$ |
| $\$ 12,750$ | $\$ 60,000$ | $7 \%$ |
| $\$ 60,000$ | $\mathrm{NA} \$ 600,000$ | $7.75 \%$ |
| $\$ 600,000$ | $\underline{\mathrm{NA}}$ | $\underline{8.5 \%}$ |

(4) For married individuals who do not file a joint return under G.S. 105-152:


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| Over | Up To | Rate |
| ---: | ---: | :--- |
| 0 | $\$ 10,625$ | $6 \%$ |
| $\$ 10,625$ | $\$ 50,000$ | $7 \%$ |
| $\$ 50,000$ | $\underline{\mathrm{NA}}$ | $7.75 \%$ |
| $\$ 500,000$ | $\underline{500,000}$ | $\underline{8.5 \% "}$ |

SECTION 2. This act is effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1 , 2011.

