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Short Title: Revenue Laws Technical Changes.

Sponsors:

Referred to:

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1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING CHANGES TO THE
3	REVENUE LAWS AND RELATED STATUTES.
4	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
5	SECTION 1. Section 10(h) of S.L. 2000-56, as amended by Section 92A(c)
6	of S.L. 2000-140, reads as rewritten:
7	"Section 10.(h) Technical Correction. – Section 9 of this act becomes effective May
8	1, 1999, and applies to taxes paid on or after that date. Section <u>12-9</u> is repealed for taxes
9	paid on or after January 1, 2008."
10	SECTION 2. G.S. 105-111 is repealed.
11	SECTION 3. G.S. 105-113.85 reads as rewritten:
12	"§ 105-113.85. Discount.
13	Each wholesaler or importer who remits the excise taxes on malt beverages or wine
14	may deduct from the amount payable by him payable a discount of four percent (4%).
15	This discount covers losses due to spoilage and breakage, expenses incurred in
16	preparing the records and reports required by this Article, and the expense of furnishing
17	a bond."
18	SECTION 4. G.S. 105-129.3A(c) reads as rewritten:
19	"(c) Relationship With Enterprise Tiers. – For the purpose of the wage standard
20	requirement of G.S. 105-129.3(b), <u>105-129.4</u>, the credit for investing in machinery and
21	equipment allowed in G.S. 105-129.9, and the credit for worker training allowed in G.S.
22	105-129.11, a development zone is considered an enterprise tier one area. For all other
23	purposes, a development zone has the same enterprise tier designation as the county in
24	which it is located."
25	SECTION 5. G.S. 105-129.4(b) reads as rewritten:
26	"(b) Wage Standard. – A taxpayer is eligible for the credit for creating jobs or the
27	credit for worker training if the jobs for which the credit is claimed meet the wage
28	standard at the time the taxpayer applies for the credit. No credit is allowed for jobs not

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included in the wage calculation. A taxpayer is eligible for the credit for investing in 1 2 machinery and equipment, the credit for research and development, or the credit for 3 investing in real property for a central office or aircraft facility if the jobs at the location 4 with respect to which the credit is claimed meet the wage standard at the time the 5 taxpayer applies for the credit. In making the wage calculation, the taxpayer must 6 include any positions that were filled for at least 1,600 hours during the immediately 7 preceding taxable year even if they are not filled at the time the taxpayer applies for the 8 credit. 9 Jobs meet the wage standard if they pay an average weekly wage that is at least 10 equal to the applicable percentage times the applicable average weekly wage for the 11 county in which the jobs will be located, as computed by the Secretary of Commerce from data compiled by the Employment Security Commission for the most recent period 12 13 for which data are available. The applicable percentage for jobs located in an enterprise 14 tier one area is one hundred percent (100%). The applicable percentage for all other jobs 15 is one hundred ten percent (110%). The applicable average weekly wage is the lowest of 16 the following: (i) the average wage for all insured private employers in the county, (ii) 17 the average wage for all insured private employers in the State, and (iii) the average 18 wage for all insured private employers in the county multiplied by the county 19 income/wage adjustment factor. The county income/wage adjustment factor is the 20 county income/wage ratio divided by the State income/wage ratio. The county

income/wage ratio is average per capita income in the county divided by the annualized
average wage for all insured private employers in the county. The State income/wage
ratio is the average per capita income in the State divided by the annualized average
wage for all insured private employers in the State."

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SECTION 6. G.S. 105-129.8(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) Credit. – A taxpayer that meets the eligibility requirements set out in G.S. 105-129.4, has five or more full-time employees, and hires an additional full-time employee during that the taxable year to fill a position located in this State is allowed a credit for creating a new full-time job. The amount of the credit for each new full-time job created is set out in the table below and is based on the enterprise tier of the area in which the position is located. In addition, if the position is located in a development zone, the amount of the credit is increased by four thousand dollars (\$4,000) per job.

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33	Area Enterprise Tier	Amount of Credit
34	Tier One	\$12,500
35	Tier Two	4,000
36	Tier Three	3,000
37	Tier Four	1,000
38	Tier Five	500

A position is located in an area if more than fifty percent (50%) of the employee's duties are performed in the area. The credit may not be taken in the taxable year in which the additional employee is hired. Instead, the credit shall-must be taken in equal installments over the four years following the taxable year in which the additional employee was hired and shall be is conditioned on the continued employment by the

1 taxpayer of the number of full-time employees the taxpayer had upon hiring the2 employee that caused the taxpayer to qualify for the credit.

If, in one of the four years in which the installment of a credit accrues, the number of the taxpayer's full-time employees falls below the number of full-time employees the taxpayer had in the year in which the taxpayer qualified for the credit, the credit expires and the taxpayer may not take any remaining installment of the credit. The taxpayer may, however, take the portion of an installment that accrued in a previous year and was carried forward to the extent permitted under G.S. 105-129.5.

Jobs transferred from one area in the State to another area in the State shall not be are not considered new jobs for purposes of this section. If, in one of the four years in which the installment of a credit accrues, the position filled by the employee is moved to an area in a higher- or lower-numbered enterprise tier, or is moved from a development zone to an area that is not a development zone, the remaining installments of the credit shall-must be calculated as if the position had been created initially in the area to which it was moved."

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SECTION 7. G.S. 105-129.13(c) reads as rewritten:

17 ''(c)Certification. - Before certifying that a development zone agency will undertake an improvement project in a development zone, the Secretary of Commerce 18 19 must require the agency to provide sufficient documentation to establish the identity of 20 the agency, the nature of the project, and that the project is for a community 21 development purpose and is located in a development zone. The Secretary of Commerce 22 shall not certify a development zone agency under this section if the agency, any of the 23 agency's officers or directors, or any partner of the agency has ever used any part of a 24 contribution made under this section for any purpose other than an improvement 25 project."

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SECTION 8. G.S. 105-129.19 reads as rewritten:

27 "§ 105-129.19. (See Editor's note for repeal) Reports.

The Department of Revenue shall report to the Legislative Research Commission must report to the Revenue Laws Study Committee and to the Fiscal Research Division of the General Assembly by May 1 of each year the following information for the 12-month period ending the preceding April 1:

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- (1) The number of taxpayers that claimed the credits allowed in this Article.
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- (2) The cost of business property and renewable energy property with respect to which credits were claimed.
- (2a) The location of each qualified North Carolina low-income building with respect to which a low-income housing credit was claimed.
- 38 (3) The total cost to the General Fund of the credits claimed."
- 39 **SECTION 8.1.** G.S. 105-151.21(b)(1) reads as rewritten:
- 40 "(b) Definitions. The following definitions apply in this section:
 - (1) Farm machinery. Machinery subject to State sales tax at the rate of one percent (1%) under G.S. 105–164.4(a)(1d)a. <u>105-164.4A.</u>"
- 43 **SECTION 9.** G.S. 105-163.013(g) reads as rewritten:

Report by Secretary of State. - The Secretary of State shall report to the 1 "(g) Legislative Services Commission Revenue Laws Study Committee by October 1 of 2 3 each year all of the businesses that have registered with the Secretary of State as 4 qualified business ventures and qualified grantee businesses. The report shall include 5 the name and address of each business, the location of its headquarters and principal 6 place of business, a detailed description of the types of business in which it engages, 7 whether the business is a minority business as defined in G.S. 143-128, the number of 8 jobs created by the business during the period covered by the report, and the average 9 wages paid by these jobs."

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SECTION 10. G.S. 105-163.41(a) reads as rewritten:

11 Except as provided in subsection (d), if the amount of estimated tax paid by a "(a) 12 corporation during the taxable year is less than the amount of tax imposed upon the 13 corporation under Article 4 of this Chapter for the taxable year, the corporation shall 14 must be assessed an additional tax as a penalty in an amount determined by multiplying 15 the amount of the underpayment as determined under subsection (b), for the period of 16 the underpayment as determined under subsection (c), by the percentage established as 17 the rate of interest on assessments under G.S. 105-241.1(i) that is in effect for the period 18 of the underpayment. For the purpose of this section, the amount of tax imposed under 19 Article 4 of this Chapter is the net amount after subtracting the credits against the tax allowed by this Chapter other than the credit allowed by this Article." 20 21

SECTION 11. G.S. 105-164.27A(d) reads as rewritten:

22 "(d) Revocation. – A direct pay certificate is valid until the holder returns it to the 23 Secretary or it is revoked by the Secretary. The Secretary may revoke a direct pay 24 certificate if the holder of the certificate does not file a sales and use tax return on time, 25 does not pay sales and use tax on time, or otherwise fails to comply with the sales and 26 use tax laws."

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SECTION 12. G.S. 105-228.90 reads as rewritten:

28 "§ 105-228.90. Scope and definitions.

29 Scope. – This Article applies to Subchapters I, V, and VIII of this Chapter, to (a) 30 the annual report filing requirements of G.S. 55-16-22, to the primary forest product 31 assessment levied under Article 12 of Chapter 113A of the General Statutes, and to 32 inspection taxes levied under Article 3 of Chapter 119 of the General Statutes. 33

Definitions. – The following definitions apply in this Article: (b)

34	(1)	Charter school. – A nonprofit corporation that has a charter under G.S.
35		115C-238.29D to operate a charter school.

- City. A city as defined by G.S. 160A-1(2). The term also includes an (1a)urban service district defined by the governing board of a consolidated city-county, as defined by G.S. 160B-2(1).
- 39 Code. – The Internal Revenue Code as enacted as of January 1, 2000, (1b) 40 including any provisions enacted as of that date which become 41 effective either before or after that date.
- 42 County. - Any one of the counties listed in G.S. 153A-10. The term (1c)43 also includes a consolidated city-county as defined by G.S. 160B-2(1).

1		(2)	Department. – The Department of Revenue.
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2		(3)	Electronic Funds Transfer. – A transfer of funds initiated by using an
3			electronic terminal, a telephone, a computer, or magnetic tape to
4			instruct or authorize a financial institution or its agent to credit or debit
5			an account.
6		(4)	Reserved.
7		(5)	Person. – An individual, a fiduciary, a firm, an association, a
8			partnership, a limited liability company, a corporation, a unit of
9			government, or another group acting as a unit. The term includes an
10			officer or employee of a corporation, a member, a manager, or an
11			employee of a limited liability company, and a member or employee of
12			a partnership who, as officer, employee, member, or manager, is under
13			a duty to perform an act in meeting the requirements of Subchapter I,
14			V, or VIII of this Chapter-Chapter, of G.S. 55-16-22, of Article 12 of
15			Chapter 113A of the General Statutes, or of Article 3 of Chapter 119
16			of the General Statutes.
17		(6)	Secretary. – The Secretary of Revenue.
18		(7)	Tax. – A tax levied under Subchapter I, V, or VIII of this Chapter
19			Chapter, the primary forest product assessment levied under Article 12
20			of Chapter 113A of the General Statutes, or an inspection tax levied
21			under Article 3 of Chapter 119 of the General Statutes. Unless the
22			context clearly requires otherwise, the terms "tax" and "additional tax"
23			include penalties and interest as well as the principal amount.
24		(8)	Taxpayer. – A person subject to the tax or reporting requirements of
25		(0)	Subchapter I, V, or VIII of this Chapter Chapter, of Article 12 of
26			<u>Chapter 113A of the General Statutes</u> , or of Article 3 of Chapter 119
20 27			of the General Statutes."
28		SEC	FION 13. G.S. 105-256 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:
20 29	" <u>(d)</u>		Requirements. – The following requirements apply to the Secretary:
2) 30	<u>(u)</u>		Video Poker. – G.S. 14-306.1(j) requires the Department to provide
31		<u>(1)</u>	summary reports quarterly to the Joint Legislative Commission on
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32 33		(2)	<u>Governmental Operations.</u> Eschapta $C = 116P_{C}(\alpha)$ requires the Secretary to furnish
		<u>(2)</u>	Escheats. – G.S. 116B-60(g) requires the Secretary to furnish
34		GECT	information to the Escheat Fund on October 1 of each year."
35			FION 14. G.S. 105-449.60(41) reads as rewritten:
36		(41)	User. – A person who owns or operates a licensed highway vehicle
37			that has a registered gross vehicle weight of at last least 10,001 pounds
38			and who does not maintain storage facilities for motor fuel."
39	•• / \		FION 15. G.S. 105-466(c) reads as rewritten:
40	"(c)		ction of the tax, and liability therefor, shall <u>must</u> begin and continue
41	•		er the first day of the month of either January or July, as set by the board
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43	levying t	he tax.	In no event may the tax be imposed, or the tax rate changed, earlier than

1 2 3 4	the first day of the second succeeding calendar month after the date of the adoption of the resolution. The county must give the Secretary at least 90 days advance notice of a new tax levy or tax rate change." SECTION 15.1. G.S. 20-87(6) reads as rewritten:				
5	"§ 20-87. Passenger vehicle registr	ration fees.			
6	These shall be paid to the Divis	ion annually, as of	f the first day of Ja	nuary, for the	
7	registration and licensing of pass	enger vehicles, f	ees according to	the following	
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20	SECTION 16. G.S. 20-79	0.7(b) reads as rew	ritten:		
21	"(b) Distribution of Fees. –			ount and the	
22	Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account are established within the Highway				
23	Fund. The Division must credit the				
24	plates listed in subsection (a) among the Special Registration Plate Account (SRPA), the				
25	Collegiate and Cultural Attraction Plate Account (CCAPA), and the Natural Heritage				
26	Trust Fund (NHTF), which is establi				
27	Special Plate	<u>SRPA</u>	<u>CCAPA</u>	<u>NHTF</u>	
28	Animal Lovers	\$10 \$10	\$10	0	
29	Ducks Unlimited	\$10	\$10 \$10 \$15	0	
30	Goodness Grows	\$10 \$10	<u>\$10</u> <u>\$15</u> \$20	0	
31	Historical Attraction	\$10 \$10	\$20 \$15	0	
32 33	In-State Collegiate Insignia Kids First	\$10 \$10	\$15 \$15	$\begin{array}{c} 0\\ 0\end{array}$	
33 34	Litter Prevention	\$10 \$10	\$13 \$10	0	
35	March of Dimes	\$10 \$10	\$10 \$10	0	
36	Olympic Games	\$10	\$15	0	
30 37	Omega Psi Phi Fraternity	\$10 \$10	\$10	0	
38	Out-of-state Collegiate Insignia	\$10	0	\$15	
39	Personalized	\$10	$\overset{\circ}{0}$	\$10	
40	Scenic Rivers	\$10	\$10	0	
41	School Technology	\$10	\$10	0	
42	Soil and Water Conservation	\$10	\$10	0	
43	Special Olympics	\$10	\$10	0	

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2	Support Public Schools	\$10	\$10	0
3	University Health Systems of			-
4	Eastern Carolina	\$10	\$15	0
5	Wildlife Resources	\$10	\$10	0
6	All other Special Plates	\$10	0	0".
7	-	6-8(8) is recodified as G.	S. 96-8(7c).	
8		6-8 is amended by adding		livision to read:
9		e Code. – The Code as d	-	
10		6-8(5)k. reads as rewritte		
11	"k. Notwiths	standing any other pro	vision of the	his Chapter, any
12	nonprofit	t organization or a grou	p of organiz	zations (hereafter,
13	where the	ne words "nonprofit or	ganization"	are used in this
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37		the service is less that		
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39		otwithstanding the provi		S. 96-8(6)f.3. and
40		5-8(6)k.6., service perform		
41	en	ngaged in catching fish or	r other forms	of aquatic animal
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43	Su	ich boat pursuant to wh	ich: (A) Suc	ch <u>The</u> individual

does not receive any cash remuneration (other than as provided in subparagraph (B)), (B) Such-The individual receives a share of the boat's (or the boats' in the case of a fishing operation involving more than one boat) catch of fish or other forms of aquatic animal life or a share of the proceeds from the sale of such catch, and (C) The amount of such-the individual's share depends on the amount of the boat's (or the boats' in the case of a fishing operation involving more than one boat) catch of fish or other forms of aquatic animal life, but only if the operating crew of such the boat (or each boat from which the individual receives a share in the case of a fishing operation involving more than one boat) is normally made up of fewer than 10 individuals. In order to preserve the State's right to collect State unemployment taxes for which a credit against federal unemployment taxes may be taken for contributions paid into a State unemployment insurance fund, this paragraph 16 shall does not apply, with respect to any individual, to service during any period for which an assessment for federal unemployment taxes is made by the Internal Revenue Service pursuant to the Federal Unemployment Tax Act which assessment becomes a final determination (as defined by section 1313 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended). Code)." SECTION 22. G.S. 96-8(13)b. reads as rewritten: "Wages" shall not include: "b. 1. Any payment made to, or on behalf of, an employee or his the employee's beneficiary from or to a trust which that qualifies under the conditions set forth in Sections sections 401(a)(1) and (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954; Code; 2. Any payment made to, or under, an annuity plan which at the time of the payment meets the requirements of Sections sections 401(a)(3), (4), (5) and (6) of the Internal Revenue Code and exempt from tax under Section section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code at the time of the payment, unless the payment is made to

the time of the payment, unless the payment is made to
an employee of the trust as remuneration for services
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1	meaning of Section section 125 of the Internal Revenue
2	Code."
3	SECTION 23. The first paragraph of G.S. 96-9(d) reads as rewritten:
4	"(d) Benefits paid to employees of nonprofit organizations shall be financed in
5	accordance with the provisions of this paragraph. For the purposes of this paragraph, a
6	nonprofit organization is an organization (or group of organizations) described in
7	section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1954 which that is
8	exempt from income tax under section 501(a) of said-the Internal Revenue Code."
9	SECTION 24. G.S. 96-12(g)(3) reads as rewritten:
10	"(3) The individual may elect to have federal individual income tax
11	deducted and withheld from the individual's payment of
12	unemployment compensation at the amount specified in section 3402
13	of the Internal Revenue Code. The term "Code" has the same meaning
14	as defined in G.S. 105-228.90."
15	SECTION 25. G.S. 96-12.01(a) is recodified as G.S. 91-12.01(a1).
16	SECTION 26. The first sentence of G.S. 96-12.01 is designated as
17	subsection (a) of that section and reads as rewritten:
18	"(a) Effective January 1, 1972, extended <u>Extended</u> benefits shall be paid under
19	this Chapter as herein specified: provided in this section."
20	SECTION 27. G.S. 96-12.01(a1)(11) reads as rewritten:
21	"(11) "State law" means the unemployment insurance law of any state
22	approved by the United States Secretary of Labor under section 3304
23	of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954. Code."
24	SECTION 28. G.S. 116D-11(g) reads as rewritten:
25	"(g) University Improvement Bonds Fund. – The proceeds of university
26	improvement general obligation bonds and notes, including premium thereon, if any,
27	except the proceeds of bonds the issuance of which has been anticipated by bond
28	anticipation notes or the proceeds of refunding bonds or notes, shall be placed by the
29	State Treasurer in a special fund to be designated 'University Improvement Bonds
30	Fund'. Moneys in the University Improvement Bonds Fund shall be used for the
31	purposes set forth in this Article.
32	Any additional moneys that may be received by means of a grant or grants from the
33	United States of America or any agency or department thereof or from any other source
34	to aid in financing the cost of any university improvements authorized by this Article
35	may be placed by the State Treasurer in the University Improvement Bonds Fund or in a
36	separate account or fund and shall be disbursed, to the extent permitted by the terms of
37	the grant or grants, without regard to any limitations imposed by this act [the Michael
38	K. Hooker Higher Education Facilities Financing Act, S. L. 2000-3]. Article.
39	The proceeds of university improvement general obligation bonds and notes may be
40	used with any other moneys made available by the General Assembly for the making of
41	university improvements, including the proceeds of any other State bond issues,
42	whether previously made available or which may be made available after the effective

43 date of this Article. The proceeds of university improvement bonds and notes shall be

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expended and disbursed under the direction and supervision of the Director of the Budget. The funds provided by this Article for university improvements shall be disbursed for the purposes provided in this Article upon warrants drawn on the State Treasurer by the State Controller, which warrants shall not be drawn until requisition has been approved by the Director of the Budget and which requisition shall be approved only after full compliance with the Executive Budget Act, Article 1 of Chapter 143 of the General Statutes."

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SECTION 29. G.S. 116D-46(g) reads as rewritten:

9 "(g) Community College Bonds Fund. – The proceeds of community college 10 general obligation bonds and notes, including premium thereon, if any, except the 11 proceeds of bonds the issuance of which has been anticipated by bond anticipation notes 12 or the proceeds of refunding bonds or notes, shall be placed by the State Treasurer in a 13 special fund to be designated 'Community College Bonds Fund'. Moneys in the 14 Community College Bonds Fund shall be used for the purposes set forth in this Article.

Any additional moneys that may be received by means of a grant or grants from the United States of America or any agency or department thereof or from any other source to aid in financing the cost of any community college capital facilities authorized by this Article may be placed by the State Treasurer in the Community College Bonds Fund or in a separate account or fund and shall be disbursed, to the extent permitted by the terms of the grant or grants, without regard to any limitations imposed by this act [the Michael <u>K. Hooker Higher Education Facilities Financing Act, S. L. 2000-3]</u>. Article.

22 The proceeds of community college general obligation bonds and notes may be used 23 with any other moneys made available by the General Assembly for the making of 24 grants to community colleges for capital facilities, including the proceeds of any other 25 State bond issues, whether previously made available or which may be made available 26 after the effective date of this Article. The proceeds of community college bonds and 27 notes shall be expended and disbursed under the direction and supervision of the 28 Director of the Budget. The funds provided by this Article for grants to community 29 colleges shall be disbursed for the purposes provided in this Article upon warrants 30 drawn on the State Treasurer by the State Controller, which warrants shall not be drawn 31 until requisition has been approved by the Director of the Budget and which requisition 32 shall be approved only after full compliance with the Executive Budget Act, Article 1 of 33 Chapter 143 of the General Statutes."

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SECTION 30. G.S. 143B-221 reads as rewritten:

35 "§ 143B-221. Department of Revenue – organization.

36 The Department of Revenue shall be organized initially to include the Property Tax 37 Commission, the Division of Inheritance and Gift Tax, Division of Privilege License, 38 Beverage and Cigarette Tax, Division of Corporate Income and Franchise Tax, Division 39 of Individual Income Tax, Division of Sales and Use Tax, Division of Intangibles Tax, 40 Division of Gasoline Tax, Division of Audit and Collection, Division of Accounts, 41 Division of Planning and Processing, the Division of Tax Research, the Ad Valorem 42 Tax Division, and such other divisions as may be established under the provisions of the Executive Organization Act of 1973. in accordance with Article 1 of this Chapter. 43

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1 2			•	Revenue may create and appoint create, appoint, and disband illusion is to consult with and advise him and the subordinate officers of	
3	the Department on matters relating to the duties, responsibilities, or functions of the				
4	Department; and he may disband any such committee or council at his pleasure.				
5	<u>Departm</u>	<u>ent.</u> "			
6	SECTION 31. G.S. 160A-215.1(e) reads as rewritten:				
7	"(e)	The f	ollowir	ng definitions apply in this section:	
8		(1)	Vehic	ele. – Any of the following:	
9			a.	A motor vehicle of the passenger type, including a passenger	
10				van, minivan, or sport utility vehicle.	
11			b.	A motor vehicle of the cargo type, including cargo van, pickup	
12				truck, or truck with a gross vehicle weight <u>rating</u> of 26,000	
13				pounds or less used predominantly in the transportation of	
14				property for other than commercial freight and that does not	
15				require the operator to posses a commercial drivers license.	
16			c.	A trailer or semitrailer with a gross vehicle weight of 6,000	
17				pounds or less.	
18		(2)	Short	-term lease or rental. – Defined in G.S. 105-187.1."	
19		SEC	ΓΙΟΝ 3	31.1. S.L. 1997-380 is repealed.	
20		SEC	FION (32. Section 16 of this act is effective retroactively to August 2,	
21	2000. TI	he rema	ainder o	of this act is effective when it becomes law.	