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SENATE BILL 496

Short Title: Minimal Property Tax Bills.

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Sponsors: Senator Blackmon.

Referred to: Finance

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO ALLOW LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO FORGO COLLECTION OF AD
2 VALOREM TAX BILLS WHEN THE ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT DUE IS
3 UNDER FIVE DOLLARS.
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5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 Section 1. G.S. 105-321 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

7 "(f) Minimal Taxes. – Notwithstanding the provisions of G.S. 105-380, the
8 governing body of a taxing unit that collects its own taxes may, by resolution, direct its
9 assessor and tax collector not to collect minimal taxes charged on the tax records and
10 receipts. Minimal taxes are the combined taxes and fees of the taxing unit and any other
11 units for which it collects taxes, due on a tax receipt prepared pursuant to G.S. 105-320 or
12 on a tax notice prepared pursuant to G.S. 105-330.5, in a total original principal amount
13 that does not exceed an amount, up to five dollars (\$5.00), set by the governing body.
14 The amount set by the governing body should be the estimated cost to the taxing unit of
15 billing the taxpayer for the amounts due on a tax receipt or tax notice. Upon adoption of
16 a resolution pursuant to this subsection, the tax collector shall not bill the taxpayer for, or
17 otherwise collect, minimal taxes but shall keep a record of all minimal taxes by receipt
18 number and amount and shall make a report of the amount of these taxes to the governing
19 body at the time of the settlement. These minimal taxes shall not be a lien on the
20 taxpayer's real property and shall not be collectible under Article 26 of this Subchapter.

1 A resolution adopted pursuant to this subsection must be adopted on or before June 15
2 preceding the first taxable year to which it applies and remains in effect until amended or
3 repealed by resolution of the taxing unit."

4 Sec. 2. This act is effective for taxes imposed for taxable years beginning on
5 or after July 1, 1995.