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Short Title: One-Time Tax Rebate.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE A ONE-TIME TAX REBATE TO EACH INDIVIDUAL  
3 TAXPAYER WHO RESIDES IN THIS STATE.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 Section 1. Taxpayer Rebate. – The purpose of this act is to make a one-time  
6 return to taxpayers of their tax dollars, in the form of a cash rebate. The Department of  
7 Revenue shall implement a one-time income tax rebate program as provided in this act.  
8 For the purpose of this act, the term "income tax" means the individual income tax levied  
9 in Division II of Article 4 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes. Every individual who  
10 was a resident of this State for part or all of their taxable year beginning in 1995 and who  
11 was liable for and paid income tax for that taxable year before the deadline provided in  
12 this act is eligible for an income tax rebate equal to one hundred dollars (\$100.00). In the  
13 case of a married couple filing a joint return, the Department shall treat each spouse as a  
14 separate taxpayer for the purpose of this tax rebate. In the case of a taxpayer who has  
15 two taxable years beginning in 1995, this act applies only to the first of those taxable  
16 years.

17 Sec. 2. Setoff Debt Collection. – Before paying a rebate pursuant to this act,  
18 the Department of Revenue shall, pursuant to G.S. 105A-5, set off any debts owing a  
19 State agency against the rebate to the same extent as if the rebate were a refund as

1 defined in G.S. 105A-2. The procedure for setting off debts shall be as provided in  
2 Chapter 105A of the General Statutes.

3       Sec. 3. Deadlines. – To qualify for the rebate provided in this act, the taxpayer  
4 must file a final return and pay the entire income tax due for the taxable year within 90  
5 days after the due date, including any approved filing extensions, of the return. The  
6 Department of Revenue shall pay the rebate by check mailed within 90 days after the  
7 later of (i) July 31, 1996, (ii) the date the return was due, including any approved filing  
8 extensions, or (iii) the date the return was filed and the entire tax was paid. Rebates paid  
9 after this deadline shall bear interest from the date due until paid at the rate established  
10 under G.S. 105-241.1(i). No tax rebate shall be made to a taxpayer who did not file a  
11 final return and pay the entire income tax due for their 1995 taxable year by the deadline  
12 set in this act.

13       Sec. 4. Source of Funds for Rebates. – The rebate program provided in this act  
14 is a one-time expenditure and does not affect recurring revenues. In order to pay for the  
15 rebate program provided in this act, the Department of Revenue shall draw from income  
16 tax collections an amount equal to the cost of the rebates and of administering the rebate  
17 program.

18       Sec. 5. This act is effective upon ratification.