GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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H 1 **HOUSE BILL 1248*** Short Title: Exempt Tobacco Assistance Payments. (Public) Sponsors: Representatives Baker; Aldridge, Arnold, Buchanan, Capps, Crawford, Culp, Davis, Decker, Esposito, Grady, Gray, Hill, Hurley, Mercer, Mitchell, Nichols, Nye, Oldham, Russell, Smith, Tolson, Warwick, G. Wilson, Wood, and Yongue. Referred to: Agriculture, if favorable, Finance. May 12, 1998 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO EXEMPT FROM INCOME TAX FEDERAL PAYMENTS TO TOBACCO ALLOTMENT HOLDERS, TOBACCO WORKERS, AND TOBACCO FARMERS AS COMPENSATION FOR LOSSES DUE TO THE FEDERAL TOBACCO SETTLEMENT. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: Section 1. G.S. 105-130.5(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

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"(16) The amount paid to the taxpayer by the federal government during the taxable year under the federal Long-Term Economic Assistance for Farmers (LEAF) Act as reimbursement for loss of tobacco quotas."

Section 2. G.S. 105-134.6(b) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

- "(15) The amount paid to the taxpayer by the federal government during the taxable year under the federal Long-Term Economic Assistance for Farmers (LEAF) Act as any of the following:
 - <u>a.</u> Reimbursement for loss of tobacco quotas.
 - <u>b.</u> <u>Transition assistance for tobacco workers.</u>

1		<u>c.</u>	Higher education assistance grants for members of tobacco farm
2			families."
3		Section 3.	This act is effective for taxable years beginning on or after January
4	1, 1998.		