GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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Legislative Fiscal Note

BILL NUMBER: Senate Bill 1431 (First Edition)

SHORT TITLE: Burgaw Occupancy Tax.

SPONSOR(S): Senator Soles

FISCAL IMPACT

Yes (X) No () No Estimate Available ()

FY 2006-07 FY 2007-08 FY 2008-09 FY 2009-10 FY 2010-11

REVENUES:

Town of Burgaw \$6,570 \$6,773 \$6,929 \$7,088 \$7,251

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED: Town of Burgaw

EFFECTIVE DATE: Becomes effective when law.

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 1431 authorizes the Town of Burgaw to levy a 3% room occupancy tax. Two-thirds of the proceeds would be used to promote travel and tourism and one-third would be used for tourism-related expenditures. This bill conforms to the guidelines supported by the North Carolina Travel and Tourism Coalition and adhered to by the House Finance Committee.

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:

Based on information from Pender County, there is one motel in the Town of Burgaw. Assuming 25 rooms, an average rate of \$40 per night and a 60% occupancy rate, the 3% occupancy tax would generate approximately \$6,570 annually. The general rate for the Consumer Price Index is used to determine the rate of growth in the tax collections for future years.

SOURCES OF DATA:

Pender County

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS: None

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