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Short Title:	Allocation of Renewable Energy Tax Credit.	(Public)
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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE RENEWABLE ENERGY TAX CREDIT TO BE ALLOCATED BY A PASS-THROUGH ENTITY TO ITS OWNERS AND TO CHANGE THE DEFINITION OF COST.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 105-129.15(2) reads as rewritten:

"§105-129.15. Definitions.

The following definitions apply in this Article:

(2) Cost. – In the case of property owned or leased by the taxpayer, cost is determined pursuant to regulations adopted under section 1012 of the Code, subject to the limitation on cost provided in section 179 of the Code. In the case of property the taxpayer leases from another, cost is another pursuant to a lease agreement entered into on or before December 31, 2011, the taxpayer may elect to determine cost as value as determined pursuant to G.S. 105-130.4(j)(2), unless the property is renewable energy property for which the taxpayer claims either a federal energy credit under section 48 of the Code or a federal grant in lieu of that credit and makes a lease pass-through election under the Code. In this circumstance, the cost of the leased renewable energy property is the cost determined under the Code.105-130.4(j)(2).

 SECTION 2. G.S. 105-129.16A is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(a1) Allocation. – Notwithstanding G.S. 105-131.8 and G.S. 105-169.15, a pass-through entity that qualifies for the credit allowed by this section may allocate the credit among any of its owners in its discretion as long as an owner's adjusted basis in the pass-through entity, as determined under the Code at the end of the taxable year in which the renewable energy property is placed into service, is at least forty percent (40%) of the amount of credit allocated to that owner. An owner to whom a credit is allocated is allowed the credit as if the owner had qualified for the credit directly. A pass-through entity and its owners must include with their tax returns for every taxable year in which an allocated credit is claimed a statement of the allocation made by the pass-through entity and the allocation that would have been required under G.S. 105-131.8 or G.S. 105-269.15."

SECTION 3. This act is effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2012.

