GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 1252*

Short Title: Brownfields Tax Incentive.	(Public)
Sponsors: Senator Odom.	
Referred to: Agriculture/Environment/Natural Resources.	

May 16, 2000

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO CREATE A TAX INCENTIVE FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF BROWNFIELDS PROPERTIES, AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMISSION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

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Section 1. Article 12 of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 105-277.13. Taxation of improvements on brownfields.

- (a) Qualifying improvements on brownfields properties are designated a special class of property under Article V, Sec. 2(2) of the North Carolina Constitution and shall be appraised, assessed, and taxed in accordance with this section. An owner of land is entitled to the partial exclusion provided by this section for the first five taxable years beginning after the first completion of any qualifying improvements made after the later of July 1, 2000, or the date of the brownfields agreement. After property has qualified for the exclusion provided by this section, the assessor for the county in which the property is located shall annually appraise the improvements made to the property during the period of time that the owner is entitled to the exclusion.
- (b) For the purposes of this section, the terms "qualifying improvements on brownfields properties" and "qualifying improvements" mean improvements made to real

property that is subject to a brownfields agreement entered into by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources and the owner pursuant to G.S. 130A-310.32.

(c) The following table establishes the percentage of the appraised value of the qualified improvements that is excluded based on the taxable year:

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6	<u>Year</u>	Percent of Appraised Value Excluded
7	Year 1	<u>90%</u>
8	Year 2	<u>75%</u>
9	Year 3	<u>50%</u>
10	Year 4	<u>30%</u>
11	Year 5	<u>10</u> %."

Section 2. This act is effective for taxes imposed for taxable years beginning on or after July 1, 2001.