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H 1999. INCENTIVES: PAPER MAN., TURBINE, & DATACENTER. Filed 5/25/10. *TO MODIFY AND CLARIFY ELIGIBILITY FOR JOB CREATION.*

Amends GS 105-164.3 to modify the definitions for each of the following terms, (1) *datacenter* and (2) *eligible Internet data center*.

Current law allows the owner of an eligible facility or certain industries to receive an annual refund of sales and use tax. Amends GS 105-164.14(j) to include as an eligible facility allowed an annual refund of sales and use taxes a facility primarily engaged in paper-from-pulp manufacturing and meeting specified requirements regarding job creation and wages paid to employees. Includes among the industries eligible for the annual sales and use tax refund (1) paper-from-pulp manufacturing meeting the indicated manufacturing guidelines and (2) turbine and turbine generator set units manufacturing as defined in the proposed subsection. Amends the criteria for forfeiture of the sales and use taxes refund to clarify that if the owner of an eligible facility fails to maintain the minimum number of jobs created, the facility loses its eligibility and the owner forfeits all the refunds already received under the subsection. Amends GS 105-187.50(2) to clarify the criteria for eligible datacenters (was, facilities) that are located entirely in a development tier one area and those not located entirely in a development tier one area. Makes additional conforming change replacing facility with datacenter. Effective July 1, 2010, and applies to sales made on or after that date.

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