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HOUSE BILL DRH40183-MCf-89

Short Title: Student Tax Reduction (STAR) Act. (Public) Sponsors: Representative Ball. Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 2 AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE TAX BURDEN ON STUDENT DEBT RELIEF. 3 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 4 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 105-153.5(c2) reads as rewritten: 5 Decoupling Adjustments. – In calculating North Carolina taxable income, a taxpayer 6 must make the following adjustments to the taxpayer's adjusted gross income: 7 8 (22)For taxable years 2021 through 2025, a taxpayer must add an amount equal to 9 the amount by which the taxpayer's exclusion from the taxpayer's gross 10 income for the discharge of a student loan under section 108(f)(5) of the Code exceeds the exclusion that would have been allowed under the Internal 11 12 Revenue Code as enacted as of May 1, 2020. The purpose of this subdivision 13 is to decouple from the exclusion from income for the discharge of a student 14 loan under section 9675 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. If the 15 taxpayer is insolvent, as defined in section 108(d)(3) of the Code, then the 16 addition required under this subdivision is limited to the amount of discharge 17 of student loan indebtedness excluded from adjusted gross income under 18 section 108(f)(5) of the Code that exceeds the amount of discharge of 19 indebtedness that would have been excluded under section 108(a)(1)(B) of the 20 Code. 21 22

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SECTION 2. This act is effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1,

