

**NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE**

**BILL NUMBER:** Senate Bill 1064  
**SHORT TITLE:** Property Tax Interest/Study  
**SPONSOR(S):** Senator Hoyle

**FISCAL IMPACT**

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

FY 1997-98   FY 1998-99   FY 1999-00   FY 2000-01   FY 2001-02

**REVENUES**                                      See section on assumptions and methodology

**PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) & PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED:**      Local unity of government that levy a property tax

**EFFECTIVE DATE:**                      July 1, 1997

**BILL SUMMARY:**

The Machinery Act does not provides for the payment of interest when a taxpayer has paid more tax than is owed on property, due to a reduction in the value of the property, resulting from actions of the Property Tax Commission.. This act sets the interest rate equal to the rate authorized under G.S. 105-241.1(i) which is set each year the Secretary of Revenue.

The Legislative Research Commission is authorized to study various property tax issues.

**ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:**

The impact of this legislation is indeterminate. According to the Commission's staff, in the majority of the appeals heard before the Commission, the county's valuations are sustained. A ruling in favor of the county could require the taxpayer to pay a balance of the taxes owed, if the taxpayer did not pay the full amount of tax when due.

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