

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
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SENATE BILL 75
House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/20/18
House Committee Substitute #2 Favorable 6/27/18

Short Title: Const. Amd. - Max. Income Tax Rate of 7.0%.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 15, 2017

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO AMEND THE NORTH CAROLINA CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE THAT
3 THE MAXIMUM TAX RATE ON INCOMES CANNOT EXCEED SEVEN PERCENT.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 SECTION 1. Section 2 of Article V of the North Carolina Constitution reads as
6 rewritten:

7 "Sec. 2. State and local taxation.

8 ...

9 (6) Income tax. The rate of tax on incomes shall not in any case exceed ~~ten~~ seven percent,
10 and there shall be allowed personal exemptions and deductions so that only net incomes are taxed.

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12 SECTION 2. The amendment set out in Section 1 of this act shall be submitted to
13 the qualified voters of the State at a statewide general election to be held in November of 2018,
14 which election shall be conducted under the laws then governing elections in the State. Ballots,
15 voting systems, or both may be used in accordance with Chapter 163A of the General Statutes.
16 The question to be used in the voting systems and ballots shall be:

17 "[] FOR [] AGAINST

18 Constitutional amendment to reduce the income tax rate in North Carolina to a
19 maximum allowable rate of seven percent (7%)."

20 SECTION 3. If a majority of votes cast on the question are in favor of the amendment
21 set out in Section 1 of this act, the Bipartisan State Board of Elections and Ethics Enforcement
22 shall certify the amendment to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State shall enroll the
23 amendment so certified among the permanent records of that office.

24 SECTION 4. The constitutional amendment shall become effective upon such
25 certification and apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2019.

26 SECTION 5. Except as otherwise provided, this act is effective when it becomes
27 law.

