

TABLE 26 . STATISTICS OF SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Special Funds											
Individual Income Tax									Privilege Tax		
For tax year	N.C. Candidates Financing Fund [§ 105-269.6]		N.C. Nongame and Endangered Wildlife Fund [§ 105-269.5]		N.C. Political Parties Financing Fund [§ 105-159.1]		N.C. Public Campaign Financing Fund [Individuals] [§ 105-159.2]		For tax year beginning	N.C. Public Campaign Financing Fund [Attorneys] [§ 105-41(a)(1)]	
	Taxpayers contributing [#]	Refund contribution amount [\$]	Taxpayers contributing [#]	Refund contribution amount [\$]	Taxpayers designating [computed] [#]	Income tax designated amount [\$]	Taxpayers designating [computed] [#]	Income tax designated amount [\$]		Attorneys contributing [computed] [#]	Contribution amount [\$]
1995.....	4,694	22,303	35,854	366,531	243,033	243,033	-	-	-	-	-
1996.....	4,497	22,139	32,905	335,852	196,999	196,999	-	-	-	-	-
1997.....	4,721	21,314	30,663	336,469	306,777	306,777	-	-	-	-	-
1998.....	4,847	27,367	30,611	354,928	327,481	327,481	-	-	-	-	-
1999.....	7,256	47,644	33,325	383,445	380,874	380,874	-	-	-	-	-
2000.....	6,447	37,317	31,574	366,837	399,566	399,566	-	-	-	-	-
2001.....	6,538	49,055	31,445	426,740	499,697	499,697	-	-	-	-	-
2002.....	6,196	91,781	22,735	312,269	495,743	495,743	-	-	July 1, 2003	989	49,446
2003.....	-	-	23,339	343,707	456,120	456,120	324,349	973,046	July 1, 2004	741	37,046
2004.....	-	-	20,840	350,697	585,101	585,101	375,099	1,125,296	July 1, 2005	466	23,321
2005.....	-	-	19,031	278,495	516,454	516,454	380,484	1,141,452	July 1, 2006	-	-
2006.....	-	-	21,980	383,377	515,533	1,546,599	423,485	1,270,455	July 1, 2007	-	-
2007.....	-	-	22,490	386,017	498,455	1,495,365	419,206	1,257,618	July 1, 2008	-	-
2008.....	-	-	22,595	485,117	514,388	1,543,166	399,671	1,199,014	July 1, 2009	-	-
2009.....	-	-	22,500	273,252	422,619	1,267,857	368,957	1,106,872	July 1, 2010	-	-

Contribution and designated amounts reflect amounts deposited into the funds for the designated tax year.

N.C. Candidates Financing Fund [§ 105-269.6] [Repealed effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2003.]

A taxpayer entitled to a refund of individual income tax could elect to contribute all or part of the *refund* to the N.C. Candidates Financing Fund for the use of political campaigns.

N.C. Nongame and Endangered Wildlife Fund [§ 105-269.5]

A taxpayer entitled to a refund of individual income tax may elect to contribute all or part of the *refund* to the N.C. Nongame and Endangered Wildlife Fund to be used for management, protection, and preservation of wildlife.

N.C. Political Parties Financing Fund [§ 105-159.1]

Every taxpayer whose individual income tax liability was at least \$1 for a given tax year, could on the D-400 return, elect to designate \$1 to be contributed to the political party of choice. Election to make this contribution did not affect the taxpayer's income tax liability or refund.

[Effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2006, the designated amount increased. Every taxpayer whose individual income tax liability is at least \$3 for a given year, may on the D-400 return, elect to designate \$3 to be contributed to the political party of choice; for a married couple filing a joint return with an income tax liability of at least \$6, each spouse may designate \$3 to the fund.]

N.C. Public Campaign Financing Fund designation [§ 105-159.2] [Effective July 1, 2005, the fund was renamed as N.C. Public Campaign Fund.]

Effective for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2003, an individual is provided the opportunity to agree to allocate \$3 of the individual's tax liability to the North Carolina Public Campaign Financing Fund if the individual has an income tax liability of at least \$3. On a joint return, each individual may agree to allocate \$3 to the Fund; agreeing to allocate \$3 to the Fund neither increases the tax nor reduces a refund.

N.C. Public Campaign Financing Fund contribution [§ 105-41(a)(1)]

[Effective for applications for new licenses or license renewals issued on or after January 1, 2006, the voluntary contribution option provision was repealed.]

Attorneys were provided the opportunity to make a voluntary contribution of \$50 to the N.C. Public Campaign Financing Fund at the same time the annual \$50 privilege license tax was paid. The contribution was not considered part of the tax owed. [Effective on or after July 1, 2003 (applications for new licenses); effective on or after July 1, 2004 (issuance of license renewals)] Privilege license taxes are imposed annually and are due July 1 of each year; the tax applicable to attorneys is imposed for the privilege of engaging in the practice of law during the fiscal year that begins on the July 1 due date of the tax.

(The N.C. Public Campaign Fund was established to provide an alternative means of financing candidates for the N.C. Supreme Court of Appeals who accept fundraising and spending limits.)