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SENATE BILL 388
Finance Committee Substitute Adopted 8/31/21
House Committee Substitute Favorable 6/22/22

Short Title: Qualifying Farmer Zoo Sales Tax Exemption.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

March 30, 2021

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO EXPAND THE EXEMPTION FOR FARMERS TO INCLUDE CERTAIN SALES
3 TO A QUALIFYING FARMER FOR A ZOO.

4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 105-164.13E is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 "(a1) Zoo Exemption. – A qualifying farmer or conditional farmer who operates a zoo in
7 addition to the farmer's farming operations is allowed a sales and use tax exemption under this
8 subsection for the items used in the farmer's zoo operations. The income derived from the
9 farmer's zoo operations is not included for purposes of determining if the farmer meets the
10 qualifications for a qualifying farmer under subsection (a) of this section or the qualifications for
11 a conditional farmer under subsection (b) of this section. The items that may be exempt from
12 sales and use tax are the items listed under subsection (a) of this section that are purchased by a
13 qualifying farmer or conditional farmer and used by the farmer primarily in zoo operations. The
14 provisions of subsections (c) and (c1) of this section apply to the exemption provided in this
15 subsection. For purposes of this subsection, an item is used in a farmer's zoo operations if it is
16 used for the housing, raising, or feeding of animals for public display."

17 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective January 1, 2023, and applies to sales made
18 on or after that date.



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