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HOUSE BILL DRH40079-BAf-4

Short Title: (Public) Expand Religious Property Tax Exemption. Representative Pyrtle. Sponsors: Referred to: A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1 2 AN ACT TO EXPAND THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR REAL PROPERTY USED 3 FOR RELIGIOUS PURPOSES. 4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: 5 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 105-278.3(g) reads as rewritten: 6 The following exceptions apply to the exclusive-use requirement of subsection (a) of ''(g)7 this section: 8 Undeveloped land acquired by an agency listed in subsection (c) of this 9 <u>(4)</u> section with contiguous land exempt under this section is exempt from 10 11 taxation for a period not to exceed five years if (i) it does not exceed two 12 hundred percent (200%) of the contiguous land owned by the agency currently exempt under this section and (ii) the agency certifies that within five years of 13 acquiring the undeveloped land it will either begin to use the land wholly and 14 15 exclusively for religious purposes or begin to develop the land in a manner which is intended to be wholly and exclusively used by the agency for 16 17 religious purposes upon completion. If the certification requirements are not met, the land is subject to discovery pursuant to G.S. 105-312." 18 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective for taxes imposed for taxable years beginning on 19 20 or after July 1, 2026.

