TABLE 26. STATISTICS OF SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Special Funds Individual Income Tax Privilege Tax N.C. Nongame N.C. Public Campaign N.C. Public Campaign N.C. Candidates and N.C. Political Parties Financing Fund Financing Fund **Endangered Wildlife Fund** [Individuals] **Financing Fund Financing Fund** [Attornevs] [§ 105-269.6] [§ 105-269.5] [§ 105-159.1] [§ 105-159.2] [§ 105-41(a)(1)] Refund **Taxpavers Taxpayers Income tax** For Attorneys Refund Income tax For contribution contribution designating contributing Contribution **Taxpayers Taxpayers** designating designated designated tax contributing contributing [computed] amount [computed] amount tax amount amount [computed] amount year [\$] [\$1 [\$] [#] [\$] beginning [#] [\$] vear 1992..... 4,770 21,811 35,326 325,765 423,991 423,991 1993..... 4,530 34,671 321,685 380,284 380,284 17,851 4.596 19,740 34.875 351,240 378,163 1994..... 378,163 1995..... 4,694 22,303 35,854 366,531 243,033 243,033 4,497 22,139 32,905 335,852 196,999 196,999 1996..... 1997..... 4,721 21,314 30,663 336,469 306,777 306,777 327,481 1998..... 4.847 27,367 30,611 354,928 327,481 7,256 33,325 383,445 380,874 380,874 1999..... 47,644 6,447 37,317 31,574 366,837 399,566 399,566 2000..... 2001..... 6.538 49,055 31,445 426,740 499,697 499,697 22,735 989 2002..... 6,196 91,781 312,269 495,743 495,743 July 1, 2003 49,446 23,339 343,707 973,046 July 1, 2004 741 2003..... 456,120 456,120 324,349 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

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N.C. Candidates Financing Fund [§ 105-269.6] [Repealed effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2003.]

22,595

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.

514,388

1,543,166

399,671

1,199,014

July 1, 2009

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]

2008.....

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 <u>January 1, 2006</u>, 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.]

485,117

Effective for taxable years beginning on or after <u>January 1, 2003</u>, 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 <u>July 1, 2003</u> (applications for new licenses); effective on or after <u>July 1, 2004</u> (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.)