



Look Both Ways Before Passing a Recreation Tax on Golf!!

- Golf is a discretionary activity - ANY additional increase in the cost will alter the normal spending habits of the customer base, resulting in economic hardships for the industry and ultimately causing substantial loss of jobs!
- Golf contributes in a positive manner to the economy of North Carolina - in 2007, the golf industry had a total economic impact of \$5.6 BILLION!!
- Golf is a major employer in the state, supporting almost 70,000 jobs with an annual wage base of \$1.7 BILLION
- Despite popular perception, public golf is largely played by “average” people, blue collar workers and retired senior citizens on fixed incomes.