§ 105-251. Information required of taxpayer and corrections based on information.

(a) Scope of Information. – A taxpayer must give information to the Secretary when the Secretary requests the information. The Secretary may request a taxpayer to provide only the following kinds of information on a return, a report, or otherwise:

- (1) Information that identifies the taxpayer.
- (2) Information needed to determine the liability of the taxpayer for a tax.
- (3) Information needed to determine whether an item is subject to a tax.
- (4) Information that enables the Secretary to collect a tax.
- (4a) Financial or tax documentation required to determine the appropriate adjustment under G.S. 105-130.5A. If such information is not timely provided as required under G.S. 105-130.5A(a), the Secretary may propose any adjustment allowable under Part 1 of Article 4 of this Chapter.
- (5) Other information the law requires a taxpayer to provide or the Secretary needs to perform a duty a law requires the Secretary to perform.

(b) Correction of Liability. – When a taxpayer provides information to the Secretary within the statute of limitations and the information establishes that an assessment against the taxpayer is incorrect or that the taxpayer is allowed a refund, the Secretary must adjust the assessment or issue the refund in accordance with the information. This action is a correction of an error by the Department or by the taxpayer and is not part of the process for the administrative or judicial review of a proposed assessment or a claim for refund. (1939, c. 158, s. 921; 1973, c. 476, s. 193; 1993 (Reg. Sess., 1994), c. 661, s. 2; 2008-134, s. 71; 2021-180, s. 42.13B(f).)