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AN ACT
RELATI NG TO TAXATI ON; PROVI DI NG I NCOME TAX RELI EF BY ADDI NG ZERO BRACKETS, ADJ USTI NG OTHER BRACKET AMOUNTS AND REDUCI NG THE TOP MARG NAL RATE; I NCREASI NG THE LOW I NCOME COMPREHENSI VE TAX REBATE; CHANGI NG CERTAI N FI LI NG REQUI REMENTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGI SLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXI CO:
Section 1. Section 7-2-2 NMSA 1978 (bei ng Laws 1986, Chapter 20, Section 26, as amended) is amended to read:
"7-2-2. DEFI NI TI ONS. - For the pur pose of the I ncome Tax Act and unl ess the context requi res ot her wi se:
A. "adj usted gross i ncome" means adj usted gross income as defined in Section 62 of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered;
B. "base i ncome":
(1) means, for estates and trusts, that part
of the estate's or trust's income defined as taxable income and upon whi ch the federal income tax is cal cul ated in the Internal Revenue Code for income tax purposes plus, for taxable years begi nni ng on or after January 1, 1991, the amount of the net operating loss deduction allowed by Section 172(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered, and taken by the taxpayer for that year;
(2) means, for taxpayers ot her than estates or trusts, that part of the taxpayer's income defined as adj usted gross income pl us, for taxable years begi nning on or after J anuary 1, 1991, the amount of the net operating I oss deduction allowed by Section 172(a) of the I nternal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered, and taken by the taxpayer for that year; and
(3) includes, for all taxpayers, any ot her i ncome of the taxpayer not incl uded in adj usted gross income but upon whi ch a federal tax is cal cul ated pursuant to the I nternal Revenue Code for income tax purposes, except amounts for whi ch a calculation of $t$ ax is made pursuant to Section 55 of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered; "base income" al so incl udes interest recei ved on a state or local bond;
C. "compensation" means wages, sal aries, commi ssi ons and any ot her form of remuner ation pai d to . 135315. 1
empl oyees for personal services;
D. "department" means the taxation and revenue department, the secretary of taxation and revenue or any employee of the department exercising authority lawfully del egated to that empl oyee by the secretary;
E. "fiduci ary" means a guardian, trustee, execut or, admi ni strator, committee, conservator, recei ver, i ndi vi dual or corporation acting in any fiduciary capacity;
F. "filing status" means "married filing joint ret urns", "married filing separate returns", "head of househol d", "survi ving spouse" and "single", as those ternळ are generally defined for federal tax purposes;
G. "fiscal year" means any accounting period of twel ve mont hs ending on the last day of any month ot her than December;
H. "head of househol d" means "head of househol d" as generally defined for federal income tax pur poses;
I. "indi vi dual" means a natural person, an estate, a trust or a fiduci ary acting for a natural person, trust or est at e;
J. "Internal Revenue Code" means the United St ates I nternal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;
K. "I ump-sum amount " means an amount that, for the purpose of determing liability for federal income tax, was not incl uded in adj usted gross income but upon whi ch the five. 135315. 1
year-aver aging or the ten-year-aver aging met hod of tax computation provi ded in Section 402 of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered, was appl i ed;
L. "modified gross income" means all income of the taxpayer and, if any, the taxpayer's spouse and dependents, undi mi ni shed by losses and from what ever source derived, i ncl udi ng:
(1) compensation;
(2) net profit derived from business;
(3) gai ns derived from deal ings in property;
(4) interest;
(5) net rents;
(6) royal ties;
(7) di vi dends;
(8) al i mony and separate mai ntenance
payments;
(9) annuities;
(10) i ncome fromlife insurance and endowrent contracts;
(11) pensi ons;
(12) di scharge of i ndebt edness;
(13) di stributive share of part nershi p i ncome;
(14) income in respect of a decedent;
(15) income from an interest in an estate or trust;
(16) social security benefits;
(17) unempl oyment compensation benefits;
(18) workers' compensation benefits;
(19) publ ic assi stance and wel fare benefits;
(20) cost-of-living allowances; and
(21) gifts;

M "modified gross income" does not incl ude:
(1) payments for hospital, dental, medical or drug expenses whet her made to or on behal f of the taxpayer;
(2) the val ue of room and board provi ded by federal, state or local governments or by private indi vi duals or agencies based upon financial need and not as a formof compensation;
(3) payments made pursuant to a federal, state or local government programdirectly or indirectly to a third party on behalf of the taxpayer when identified to a particular use or invoi ce by the payer; or
(4) payments made pursuant to Sections 7-2-14, [7-2-14.7] 7-2-18, 7-2-18. 1 and 7-3-9 NMSA 1978;
N. "net income" reans, for estates and trusts, base income adj usted to excl ude amounts that the state is prohi bited fromtaxing because of the laws or constitution of this state or the United States and means, for taxpayers ot her . 135315. 1
than estates or trusts, base income adj usted to excl ude:
(1) an amount equal to the standard deduction al lowed the taxpayer for the taxpayer's taxable year by Section 63 of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered;
(2) an amount equal to the itemized deductions, as defined in Section 63 of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered, allowed the taxpayer for the taxpayer's taxable year less the amount excl uded pursuant to Paragraph (1) of thi s subsection;
(3) an amount equal to the product of the exemption amount allowed for the taxpayer's taxable year by Section 151 of the I nternal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered, multiplied by the number of personal exemptions all owed for federal income tax purposes;
(4) income from obl igations of the United St ates of America less expenses incurred to earn that income;
(5) other amounts that the state is prohi bited fromtaxing because of the laws or constitution of thi s state or the United States;
(6) for taxable years that began prior to J anuary 1, 1991, an amount equal to the sum of:
(a) net operating I oss carryback
deductions to that year fromtaxable years begi nning prior to J anuary 1, 1991 cl ai med and allowed, as provi ded by the . 135315. 1

I nternal Revenue Code; and
(b) net operating loss carryover deductions to that year cl ai med and allowed; and
(7) for taxable years begi nni ng on or after J anuary 1, 1991, an anount equal to the sum of any net operating loss carryover deductions to that year clai med and al lowed, provi ded that the amount of any net operating I oss carryover froma taxable year begi nning on or after J anuary 1 , 1991 may be excl uded onl y as follows:
(a) in the case of a timely filed ret urn, in the taxable year immedi atel y following the taxable year for which the return is filed; or
(b) in the case of amended returns or original returns not timely filed, in the first taxable year begi nning after the date on whi ch the ret urn or amended ret urn establishing the net operating loss is filed; and
(c) in either case, if the net
operating loss carryover exceeds the amount of net income excl usive of the net operating loss carryover for the taxable year to whi ch the excl usi on first applies, in the next four succeeding taxable years in turn until the net operating loss carryover is exhausted; in no event shall a net operating loss carryover be excl uded in any taxable year after the fourth taxable year begi nni ng after the taxable year to whi ch the excl usion first applies;
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O. "net operating loss" means any net operating I oss, as defined by Section 172(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered, for a taxable year as further increased by the income, if any, from obl i gations of the United States for that year less rel ated expenses;
P. "net operating I oss carryover" means the amount, or any portion of the amount, of a net operating loss for any taxable year that, pursuant to Paragraph (6) or (7) of Subsection $N$ of this section, may be excl uded frombase i ncome;
Q. "nonresi dent" means every indi vi dual not a resi dent of this state;
R. "person" means any indi vi dual, estate, trust, recei ver, cooper ative associ ation, club, corporation, company, firm partnership, limited liability company, joint vent ure, syndi cate or other associ ation; "person" al so means, to the extent permitted by Iaw, any federal, state or other government al unit or subdi vision or agency, department or i nstr ument al ity ther eof;
S. "resident" means an indi vidual who is domiciled in this state during any part of the taxable year; but any i ndi vi dual who, on or bef ore the last day of the taxable year, changed his place of abode to a place without this state with the bona fide intention of continuing actually to abi de . 135315. 1
permanently without this state is not a resident for the purposes of the I ncome Tax Act;
T. "secret ary" means the secretary of taxation and revenue or the secretary's del egate;
U. "state" means any state of the United States, the District of Col umbia, the commonweal th of Puerto Rico, any territory or possession of the United States or any political subdi vision of a forei gn country;
V. "state or local bond" means a bond issued by a state ot her than New Mexi co or by a local government other than one of New Mexi co's political subdi visions, the interest from whi ch is excl uded fromincome for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered;

W "survi ving spouse" means "survi ving spouse" as generally defined for federal income tax purposes;
X. "taxable i ncome" means net income less any I ump- sum amount;
Y. "taxable year" means the cal endar year or fiscal year upon the basis of whi ch the net income is computed under the Income Tax Act and includes, in the case of the return made for a fractional part of a year under the provi sions of the Income Tax Act, the period for which the ret urn is made; [ and]
Z. "taxpayer" means any indi vi dual subj ect to the . 135315. 1

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tax i mosed by the I ncome Tax Act; and
AA. "zero bracket amount" means the maxi mum amount of taxable income in the first bracket of the tax rate table for a filing status, for whi ch bracket the amount of tax due is zero."

Section 2. Section 7-2-7 NMSA 1978 (bei ng Laws 1994, Chapter 5, Section 20, as amended) is amended to read:
"7-2-7. I NDI VI DUAL I NCOME TAX RATES. - - The t ax imposed by Section 7-2-3 NMSA 1978 shall be at the following rates for any taxable year begi nni ng on or after J anuary 1, [ 1998] 2001:
A. For married individual s filing separate returns:

If the taxable income is: The tax shall be:
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { [ Not over } \$ 4,000 & \begin{array}{l}1.7 \% \text { of taxable income } \\ \text { Over } \$ 4,000 \text { but not over } \$ 8,000\end{array} \\ & \$ 68.00 \text { plus } 3.2 \% \text { of } \\ & \text { excess over } \$-4,000\end{array}$
Over \$ 8,000 but not over \$ 12,000 \$ 196 plus 4. 7\% of
excess over \$ 8,000
Over $\$ 12,000$ but not over $\$ 20,000 \$ 384$ plus $6.0 \%$ of
excess over \$ 12,000
Over $\$ 20,000$ but not over $\$ 32,000$ \$ 864 plus $7.1 \%$ of
excess over \$ 20,000
Qver $\$ 32,000$ but not over $\$ 50,000$ \$ 1,716 plus $7.9 \%$ of

Over \$50,000
excess over \$ 32,000
\$3,138 plus 8. 2\% of
excess over $\$ 50,000]$

|  | 1 | Not over \$1,600 | \$ 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2 | Over \$ 1,600 but not over \$ 4,000 | 1. $7 \%$ of excess over |
|  | 3 |  | \$1,600 |
|  | 4 | Over \$ 4,000 but not over \$ 8,000 | \$ 40.80 pl us $3.2 \%$ of |
|  | 5 |  | excess over \$4,000 |
|  | 6 | Over \$ 8,000 but not over \$ 12,000 | \$ 168.80 pl us 4. $7 \%$ of |
|  | 7 |  | excess over $\$ 8,000$ |
|  | 8 | Over \$ 12,000 but not over \$ 20,000 | \$ 356.80 pl us 6. $0 \%$ of |
|  | 9 |  | excess over \$12,000 |
|  | 10 | Over \$ 20,000 but not over \$ 40,000 | \$ 836.80 pl us 7.1\% of |
|  | 11 |  | excess over \$20,000 |
|  | 12 | Over \$ 40,000 | \$2, 256. 80 pl us 7.9\% of |
|  | 13 |  | excess over \$40,000. |
|  | 14 | B. For survi ving spouses | d married i ndi vi dual s |
|  | 15 | filing joint returns: |  |
|  | 16 | If the taxable income is: | The tax shall be: |
| $3 \stackrel{\text { ¢ }}{\substack{\text { ¢ }}}$ | 17 | [ Not-over \$8,000 | 1.7\% of taxable incone |
| ¢ ${ }_{0}^{0}$ | 18 | Over \$ 8,000 but not over \$ 16,000 | \$ 136 plus 3. $2 \%$ of |
| IIII | 19 |  | excess over \$ 8,000 |
|  | 20 | Over \$ 16,000 but not over \$ 24,000 | \$ 392 plus 4.7\%-0f excess over \$ 16,000 |
|  | 22 | Over \$ 24,000 but not over \$ 40,000 | \$ 768 plus 6.0\% of |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { U } \\ \underline{0} \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | 23 |  | excess over \$ 24,000 |
| $\bar{\sigma}$ | 24 | Over \$ 40,000 but not over \$-64,000 | \$ 1,728 plus 7.1\%of |
|  | 25 |  | excess over \$ 40,000 |




included in net income is an amount equal to five multiplied by the difference between:
(1) the amount of tax due on the taxpayer's taxable income; and
(2) the amount of tax that would be due on an amount equal to the taxpayer's taxable income and twenty percent of the taxpayer's I ump-sum amounts incl uded in net i ncome. "

Section 3. Section 7-2-12 NMSA 1978 (bei ng Laws 1965, Chapter 202, Section 10, as amended) is amended to read:
"7-2-12. TAXPAYER RETURNS- - PAYMENT OF TAX. --
A. Every resi dent of $t$ hi $s$ state and every i ndi vi dual deri vi ng income from any busi ness transaction, property or employment within this state and not exempt from tax under the Income Tax Act [ shall file a complete tax return with the department in form and content as prescribed by the secretary if the indi vidual:
(1) is requi red by the I aws of the United St ates to file a federal income tax return [shall file a complete tax return with the department in formand content as prescribed by the secretary] or files a federal income tax ret urn; and
(2) the taxpayer's taxable income exceeds the zero bracket amount for the taxpayer's filing status. B. Unl ess ot herwi se requi red under the I ncome Tax

Act or prescription of the secretary, in compl eting a return for a taxable year, the taxpayer shall decl are the same filing stat us and number of personal exemptions as the taxpayer declared for federal income tax purposes for that same taxable year or, if the taxpayer was not required to file a federal income tax ret urn for the taxable year, the filing stat us and number of personal exemptions that would have been required or all owed for that taxpayer by the Internal Revenue Code and regul ations thereunder for the taxable year.
C. The ret urn requi red and the tax imposed on indi vi dual s under the I ncome Tax Act are due and payment is requi red on or before the fifteenth day of the fourth month following the end of the taxable year."

Section 4. Secti on 7-2-14 NMSA 1978 (bei ng Laws 1972, Chapter 20, Section 2, as amended) is amended to read:
"7-2-14. LOW I NCOME COMPREHENSI VE TAX REBATE. --
A. Except as otherwi se provi ded in Subsection B of this section, any resident who files an indi vi dual New Mexi co income tax return and who is not a dependent of another indi vi dual may claima tax rebate for a portion of state and local taxes to whi ch the resi dent has been subject during the taxable year for whi ch the ret urn is filed. The tax rebate may be cl ai med even though the resi dent has no i ncome taxable under the Income Tax Act. A husband and wife . 135315. 1
who file separate returns for a taxable year in which they could have filed a joint return may each claimonly one-hal f of the tax rebate that would have been allowed on a joint ret ur $n$.
B. No clai mfor the tax rebate provided in this section shall be filed by a resi dent who was an inmate of a public institution for more than six mont during the taxable year for whi ch the tax rebate could be clai med or who was not physi cally present in New Mexi co for at least six months during the taxable year for whi ch the tax rebate could be cl ai med.
C. For the purposes of this section, the total number of exemptions for which a tax rebate may be clai med or al lowed is determined by adding the number of federal exemptions allowable for federal income tax purposes for each indi vi dual included in the return who is domiciled in New Mexi co pl us two additional exemptions for each indi vi dual domiciled in New Mexico included in the return who is sixtyfive years of age or ol der pl us one additional exemption for each indi vi dual domiciled in New Mexico included in the ret urn who, for federal income tax purposes, is blind pl us one exemption for each mor child or stepchild of the resident who would be a dependent for federal incore tax purposes if the public assistance contributing to the support of the child or stepchild was consi dered to have been

1 contributed by the resi dent.
D. The tax rebate provided for in thi s section may be clai med in the amount shown in the following table:

Mbdified gross And the total number income is: of exemptions is:

But Not 6 or

| Over | Over | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Mbre |
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|  | 0 | $\$$ | 500 | 120 | 160 |  | 200 |


| 500 | 1,000 | 135 | 195 | 250 | 310 | 350 | 415 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | $\begin{array}{llllllll}1,000 & 1,500 & 135 & 195 & 250 & 310 & 350 & 435\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllllll}1,500 & 2,000 & 135 & 195 & 250 & 310 & 350 & -450\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllll}2,000 & 2,500 & 135 & 195 & 250 & 310 & 350 & 450\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllllllllllllll}2,500 & 3,000 & 135 & 195 & 250 & 310 & 350 & 450\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllllll}3,000 & 3,500 & 135 & 195 & 250 & 310 & 350 & 450 \\ 3,500 & 4,000 & 135 & 195 & 250 & 310 & 355 & 450 \\ -4,000 & 4,500 & 135 & 195 & 250 & 310 & 355 & 450 \\ -4,500 & 5,000 & 125 & 190 & 240 & 305 & 355 & 450 \\ -5,000 & 5,500 & 115 & 175 & 230 & 295 & 355 & 430 \\ 5,500 & 6,000 & 105 & 155 & 210 & 260 & 315 & 410 \\ -6,000 & 7,000 & 90 & 130 & 170 & 220 & 275 & 370 \\ 7,000 & 8,000 & 80 & 115 & 145 & 180 & 225 & 295 \\ 8,000 & 9,000 & 70 & 105 & 135 & 170 & 195 & 240\end{array}$

 $10,000 \begin{array}{llllllll}11,000 & 60 & 80 & 100 & 130 & 155 & 185\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llllllll}11,000 & 12,000 & 55 & 70 & 90 & 110 & 135 & 160\end{array}$ . 135315. 1


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renumbered, but al so incl udes any mor child or stepchild of the resident who would be a dependent for feder al income tax purposes if the public assistance contributing to the support of the child or stepchild was consi dered to have been contributed by the resi dent."

Section 5. APPLI CABI LI TY. -- The provi si ons of this act apply to taxable years begi nning on or after J anuary 1, 2001.

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