INCREASE STATE TAXES

Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. Part 1 of article 77 of title 24, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to read:

24-77-103.3. Voter approved revenue change-use of revenues. THE REVENUES RAISED BY THE INCREASE IN TAXES IMPOSED PURSUANT TO THIS MEASURE, AS SPECIFIED IN SECTIONS 39-22-104(1.9), 39-22-301(1)(d)(I)(J), 39-26-106(1)(c), AND 39-26-202(2.5), C.R.S., SHALL CONSTITUTE A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND MAY BE COLLECTED, KEPT, AND SPENT NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER LIMITS IN THE CONSTITUTION OR OTHER LAW. ALL REVENUES RAISED BY THE INCREASE IN TAXES IMPOSED PURSUANT TO THIS MEASURE, AS SPECIFIED IN SECTIONS 39-22-104(1.9), 39-22-301(1)(d)(I)(J), 39-26-106(1)(c), AND 39-26-202(2.5), C.R.S., SHALL BE APPROPRIATED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ONLY FOR THE COSTS OF PUBLIC EDUCATION FROM PRESCHOOL THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE AND PUBLIC POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION. THE PEOPLE INTEND THAT THE ALLOCATION OF MONEYS REQUIRED BY THIS SECTION BE IN ADDITION TO AND NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR MONEYS OTHERWISE APPROPRIATED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WHICH SHALL BE IN AN AMOUNT NOT LESS THAN THE AMOUNT APPROPRIATED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-12, FOR THE COSTS OF PUBLIC EDUCATION FROM PRESCHOOL THROUGH TWELFTH GRADE AND PUBLIC POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION.

SECTION 2. 39-22-104 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended, and the said 39-22-104 is further amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

39-22-104. Income tax imposed on individuals, estates, and trusts definitions – repeal. (1.9) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS SECTION, WITH RESPECT TO TAXABLE YEARS COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012, BUT PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2017, A TAX OF FIVE PERCENT IS IMPOSED ON THE FEDERAL TAXABLE INCOME, AS DETERMINED PURSUANT TO SECTION 63 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, OF EVERY INDIVIDUAL, ESTATE, AND TRUST.

(2) Prior to the application of the rate of tax prescribed in subsection (1), (1.5), -or (1.7), OR (1.9) of this section, the federal taxable income shall be modified as provided in subsections (3) and (4) of this section.

SECTION 3. 39-22-301(1)(d)(I)(I), Colorado Revised Statutes is amended, and the said 39-22-301(1)(d)(I) is further amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUB-SUBPARAGRAPH to read:

39-22-301 Corporate Tax Imposed. (1)(d)(I) A tax is imposed upon each domestic C corporation and foreign C corporation doing business in Colorado annually in an amount of the net income of such C corporation during the year derived from sources within Colorado as set forth in the following schedule of rates:

(I) Except as otherwise provided in section 39-22-627, for income tax years commencing on or after January 1, 2000, BUT PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2012, AND COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2017, four and sixty-three one hundredths percent of the Colorado net income.

(J) FOR INCOME TAX YEARS COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2012, BUT PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2017, FIVE PERCENT OF THE COLORADO NET INCOME.

SECTION 4. 39-26-106(1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

39-26-106. Schedule of Sales Tax. (1)(c) NOTWITHSTANDING THE TWO AND NINETY ONE-HUNDREDTHS PERCENT RATE PROVISIONS OF SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS SUBSECTION (1), FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2012, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016, THE RATE OF THE TAX IMPOSED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION (1) SHALL BE THREE PERCENT.

SECTION 5. 39-26-202, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

39-26-202. Authorization of tax. (2.5) NOTWITHSTANDING THE TWO AND NINETY ONE-HUNDREDTHS PERCENT RATE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (b) OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION, FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2012, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016, THE RATE OF THE TAX IMPOSED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL BE THREE PERCENT.

SECTION 6. Effective date. This act shall take effect January 1, 2012.

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