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**HOUSE BILL 14-1003**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING THE EXEMPTION FROM STATE INCOME TAX OF INCOME**  
102            **THAT IS EARNED BY A NONRESIDENT INDIVIDUAL WORKING**  
103            **TEMPORARILY IN THE STATE TO ASSIST WITH DISASTER**  
104            **EMERGENCY RELIEF ACTIVITIES.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)*

Individuals from other states are currently liable to pay Colorado income tax on income derived from all sources within Colorado. The bill

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

exempts nonresident individuals from the state income tax if they perform disaster emergency-related work in the state on certain infrastructure that has been affected by a declared state disaster emergency or if they provide emergency service work related to the disaster emergency. The exemption is only effective for work performed from the time the governor declares a disaster emergency through 60 days after the declaration expires. Conforming amendments are made to the statutes governing the filing of income tax returns by and the withholding of state income tax for these individuals.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly  
3 hereby finds, determines, and declares that:

4 (a) During times of flood, fire, hurricane, earthquake, storm, or  
5 other disaster emergency, many workers come from other states  
6 throughout the United States on a temporary basis to expedite the often  
7 enormous and overwhelming task of cleaning up, restoring, and repairing  
8 damaged buildings, equipment, and property or even deploying or  
9 building new replacement facilities in the state;

10 (b) This may involve the need to bring in workers with special  
11 skills who previously have had no connection to the state to perform  
12 activities in the state including but not limited to repairing, renovating,  
13 installing, building, rendering services, or assisting with other business  
14 activities and for which the workers may be located in the state for  
15 extended periods of time to perform such activities;

16 (c) During times of operating in the state on a temporary basis  
17 solely for the purpose of helping the state recover from a disaster  
18 emergency, these **workers** should not be burdened by the additional  
19 imposition of the state income tax as a result of assisting with such  
20 activities in the state for a temporary period;

1 (d) The state's income tax is intended for businesses and  
2 individuals in the state as part of the conduct of regular business  
3 operations or who intend to reside in the state and should not be imposed  
4 upon individuals coming into the state on a temporary basis to provide  
5 help and assistance in response to a declared state disaster emergency;

6 (e) It is therefore appropriate for the general assembly to deem  
7 that income earned by nonresident individuals in the state for a specified  
8 period during and after the declared disaster emergency in connection  
9 with the repair and restoration of often devastated property and  
10 infrastructure in the state is not subject to the state income tax; and

11 (f) The intended purpose of the tax expenditure in House Bill  
12 14-1003, enacted in 2014, is to ensure that the state may focus on  
13 providing a quick response to the needs of the state and its citizens during  
14 a declared state disaster emergency and to reduce the regulatory burden  
15 in appreciation for those out-of-state workers and their employers who  
16 provide needed assistance to Colorado during declared state disaster  
17 emergencies.

18 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-22-104, **add** (4)  
19 (t) as follows:

20 **39-22-104. Income tax imposed on individuals, estates, and**  
21 **trusts - single rate - definitions - repeal.** (4) There shall be subtracted  
22 from federal taxable income:

23 (t) (I) FOR INCOME TAX YEARS COMMENCING ON OR AFTER  
24 JANUARY 1, 2015, BUT PRIOR TO JANUARY 1, 2020, COMPENSATION THAT  
25 WOULD BE SUBJECT TO WITHHOLDING UNDER SECTION 39-22-604,  
26 RECEIVED BY A NONRESIDENT INDIVIDUAL FOR PERFORMING  
27 DISASTER-RELATED WORK IN THE STATE DURING A DISASTER PERIOD.

1 (II) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH (t):

2 (A) "DECLARED STATE DISASTER EMERGENCY" MEANS A DISASTER  
3 OR EMERGENCY EVENT FOR WHICH THE GOVERNOR HAS ISSUED AN  
4 EXECUTIVE ORDER DECLARING A DISASTER EMERGENCY.

5 (B) "DISASTER PERIOD" MEANS A PERIOD THAT BEGINS WITH THE  
6 DAY OF THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER DECLARING A STATE  
7 DISASTER EMERGENCY AND THAT EXTENDS FOR A PERIOD OF SIXTY  
8 CALENDAR DAYS AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE  
9 ORDER.

10 (C) "DISASTER-RELATED WORK" MEANS REPAIRING, RENOVATING,  
11 INSTALLING, BUILDING, OR RENDERING SERVICES THAT RELATE TO  
12 INFRASTRUCTURE THAT HAS BEEN DAMAGED, IMPAIRED, OR DESTROYED  
13 BY A DECLARED STATE DISASTER EMERGENCY OR PROVIDING EMERGENCY  
14 MEDICAL, FIREFIGHTING, LAW ENFORCEMENT, HAZARDOUS MATERIAL,  
15 SEARCH AND RESCUE, OR OTHER EMERGENCY SERVICE RELATED TO A  
16 DECLARED STATE DISASTER EMERGENCY.

17 (D) "INFRASTRUCTURE" MEANS PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT  
18 OWNED OR USED BY COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS, GAS AND ELECTRIC  
19 UTILITIES, WATER PIPELINES, AND PUBLIC ROADS AND BRIDGES AND  
20 RELATED SUPPORT FACILITIES THAT SERVICE MULTIPLE CUSTOMERS OR  
21 CITIZENS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY  
22 SUCH AS BUILDINGS, OFFICES, LINES, POLES, PIPES, STRUCTURES, AND  
23 EQUIPMENT.

24 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-22-601, **amend**  
25 (1) (a) as follows:

26 **39-22-601. Returns.** (1) (a) (I) Whenever a resident individual  
27 or a nonresident individual with income from Colorado sources is

1 required to file a federal income tax return under the provisions of section  
2 6012 of the internal revenue code or whenever a resident individual or a  
3 nonresident individual has incurred any tax liability under any provision  
4 of this article, the individual shall make a return that shall contain a  
5 written declaration that it is made under the penalty of perjury in the  
6 second degree. The return shall set forth, in such detail as the executive  
7 director shall prescribe by regulations, the said individual's federal taxable  
8 income, the deductions, modifications, exemptions, and credits required  
9 or allowed under this article, and any other information necessary to carry  
10 out the purposes of this article. For the purpose of this section, the  
11 residence of the individual taxpayer shall be the address supplied by the  
12 taxpayer to the department of revenue on the return.

13 (II) FOR PURPOSES OF THIS PARAGRAPH (a), A NONRESIDENT  
14 INDIVIDUAL WHOSE ONLY SOURCE OF INCOME FROM THIS STATE IS  
15 COMPENSATION THAT IS SUBTRACTED FROM FEDERAL TAXABLE INCOME  
16 UNDER SECTION 39-22-104 (4) (t) NEED NOT FILE A RETURN. ■■■

17 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 39-22-604, **add** (19)  
18 as follows:

19 **39-22-604. Withholding tax - requirement to withhold - tax**  
20 **lien - exemption from lien - definitions.** (19) NO AMOUNT IS REQUIRED  
21 TO BE DEDUCTED AND WITHHELD FROM AN EMPLOYEE'S WAGES PURSUANT  
22 TO THIS SECTION FOR INCOME TAX DUE TO THE STATE IF THE EMPLOYEE'S  
23 WITHHOLDING CERTIFICATE INDICATES THAT THE COMPENSATION IS  
24 ELIGIBLE TO BE SUBTRACTED FROM FEDERAL TAXABLE INCOME PURSUANT  
25 TO SECTION 39-22-104 (4) (t).

26 **SECTION 5. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
27 takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the

1 ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August  
2 6, 2014, if adjournment sine die is on May 7, 2014); except that, if a  
3 referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the  
4 state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act  
5 within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect  
6 unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
7 November 2014 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
8 official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.