1	SENATE BILL 268
2	44TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1999
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10	AN ACT
11	RELATING TO TAXATION; REDUCING INCOME TAX RATES OVER THREE
12	TAXABLE YEARS.
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14	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:
15	Section 1. Section 7-2-2 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1986,
16	Chapter 20, Section 26, as amended) is amended to read:
17	"7-2-2. DEFINITIONSFor the purpose of the Income Tax
18	Act and unless the context requires otherwise:
19	A. "adjusted gross income" means adjusted gross
20	income as defined in Section 62 of the Internal Revenue Code,
21	as that section may be amended or renumbered;
22	B. "base income":
23	(1) means, for estates and trusts, that part
24	of the estate's or trust's income defined as taxable income
25	and upon which the federal income tax is calculated in the
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Internal Revenue Code for income tax purposes plus, for taxable years beginning 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 other than estates or trusts, that part of the taxpayer's income defined as adjusted gross income plus, for taxable years beginning 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; and

(3) includes, for all taxpayers, any other income of the taxpayer not included in adjusted gross income but upon which a federal tax is calculated pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code for income tax purposes, except amounts for which a calculation of tax is made pursuant to Section 55 of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered; "base income" also includes interest received on a state or local bond;

C. "compensation" means wages, salaries, commissions and any other form of remuneration paid to employees for personal services;

D. "department" means the taxation and revenue . 126319.1GJ

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department, the secretary of taxation and revenue or any
 employee of the department exercising authority lawfully
 delegated to that employee by the secretary;

4 E. "fiduciary" means a guardian, trustee,
5 executor, administrator, committee, conservator, receiver,
6 individual or corporation acting in any fiduciary capacity;

F. "filing status" means "married filing joint returns", "married filing separate returns", "head of household", "surviving spouse" and "single", as those terms are generally defined for federal tax purposes;

G. "fiscal year" means any accounting period of twelve months ending on the last day of any month other than December;

H. "head of household" means "head of household" as generally defined for federal income tax purposes;

I. "individual" means a natural person, an estate, a trust or a fiduciary acting for a natural person, trust or estate;

J. "Internal Revenue Code" means the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

K. "lump-sum amount" means an amount that, for the purpose of determining liability for federal income tax, was not included in adjusted gross income but upon which the fiveyear-averaging or the ten-year-averaging method of tax computation provided in Section 402 of the Internal Revenue . 126319.1GJ

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1	Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered, was			
2	appl i ed;			
3	L. "modified gross income" means all income of the			
4	taxpayer and, if any, the taxpayer's spouse and dependents,			
5	undiminished by losses and from whatever source derived,			
6	i ncl udi ng:			
7	(1) compensation;			
8	(2) net profit derived from business;			
9	(3) gains derived from dealings in property;			
10	(4) interest;			
11	(5) net rents;			
12	(6) royalties;			
13	(7) di vi dends;			
14	(8) alimony and separate maintenance			
15	payments;			
16	(9) annuities;			
17	(10) income from life insurance and endowment			
18	contracts;			
19	(11) pensions;			
20	(12) discharge of indebtedness;			
21	(13) distributive share of partnership			
22	income;			
23	(14) income in respect of a decedent;			
24	(15) income from an interest in an estate or			
25	trust;			
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1	(16) social security benefits;		
2	(17) unemployment compensation benefits;		
3	(18) workers' compensation benefits;		
4	(19) public assistance and welfare benefits;		
5	(20) cost-of-living allowances; and		
6	(21) gifts;		
7	M. "modified gross income" does not include:		
8	(1) payments for hospital, dental, medical or		
9	drug expenses whether made to or on behalf of the taxpayer;		
10	(2) the value of room and board provided by		
11	federal, state or local governments or by private individuals		
12	or agencies based upon financial need and not as a form of		
13	compensation;		
14	(3) payments made pursuant to a federal,		
15	state or local government program directly or indirectly to a		
16	third party on behalf of the taxpayer when identified to a		
17	particular use or invoice by the payer; or		
18	(4) payments made pursuant to Sections		
19	7-2-14, [7-2-14.1] 7-2-18, 7-2-18.1 and 7-3-9 NMSA 1978;		
20	N. "net income" means, for estates and trusts,		
21	base income adjusted to exclude amounts that the state is		
22	prohibited from taxing because of the laws or constitution of		
23	this state or the United States and means, for taxpayers other		
24	than estates or trusts, base income adjusted to exclude:		
25	(1) an amount equal to the standard deduction		
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1 allowed the taxpayer for the taxpayer's taxable year by 2 Section 63 of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered: 3 (2)an amount equal to the itemized 4 deductions, as defined in Section 63 of the Internal Revenue 5 Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered, allowed 6 7 the taxpayer for the taxpayer's taxable year less the amount 8 excluded pursuant to Paragraph (1) of this subsection; 9 (3) an amount equal to the product of the 10 exemption amount allowed for the taxpayer's taxable year by Section 151 of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section may 11 12 be amended or renumbered, multiplied by the number of personal 13 exemptions allowed for federal income tax purposes; 14 (4) income from obligations of the United States of America less expenses incurred to earn that income; 15 16 other amounts that the state is (5) 17 prohibited from taxing because of the laws or constitution of 18 this state or the United States: 19 for taxable years that began prior to (6) 20 January 1, 1991, an amount equal to the sum of: 21 (a) net operating loss carryback 22 deductions to that year from taxable years beginning prior to 23 January 1, 1991 claimed and allowed, as provided by the 24 Internal Revenue Code; and 25 (b) net operating loss carryover . 126319. 1GJ - 6 -

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1 deductions to that year claimed and allowed; and 2 for taxable years beginning on or after (7)January 1, 1991, an amount equal to the sum of any net 3 4 operating loss carryover deductions to that year claimed and 5 allowed, provided that the amount of any net operating loss carryover from a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 6 7 1991 may be excluded only as follows: (a) in the case of a timely filed 8 return, in the taxable year immediately following the taxable 9 10 year for which the return is filed; or in the case of amended returns or 11 (b) 12 original returns not timely filed, in the first taxable year 13 beginning after the date on which the return or amended return 14 establishing the net operating loss is filed; and in either case, if the net 15 (c) 16 operating loss carryover exceeds the amount of net income 17 exclusive of the net operating loss carryover for the taxable 18 year to which the exclusion first applies, in the next four 19 succeeding taxable years in turn until the net operating loss 20 carryover is exhausted; in no event shall a net operating loss 21 carryover be excluded in any taxable year after the fourth 22 taxable year beginning after the taxable year to which the 23 exclusion first applies; 24 "net operating loss" means any net operating 0. 25 loss, as defined by Section 172(c) of the Internal Revenue

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Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered, for a taxable year as further increased by the income, if any, from obligations of the United States for that year less related expenses;

P. "net operating loss 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 excluded from base
income;

10 Q. "nonresident" means every individual not a
11 resident of this state;

R. "person" means any individual, estate, trust, receiver, cooperative association, club, corporation, company, firm, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, syndicate or other association; "person" also means, to the extent permitted by law, any federal, state or other governmental unit or subdivision or agency, department or instrumentality thereof;

S. "resident" means an individual who is domiciled in this state during any part of the taxable year; but any individual who, on or before 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 abide permanently without this state is not a resident for the purposes of the Income Tax Act;

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T. "secretary" means the secretary of taxation and revenue or the secretary's delegate;

U. "state" means any state of the United States, the District of Columbia, the commonwealth of Puerto Rico, any territory or possession of the United States or any political subdivision of a foreign country;

V. "state or local bond" means a bond issued by a state other than New Mexico or by a local government other than one of New Mexico's political subdivisions, the interest from which is excluded from income for federal income tax purposes under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code, as that section may be amended or renumbered;

W. "surviving spouse" means "surviving spouse" as generally defined for federal income tax purposes;

X. "taxable income" means net income less any lump-sum amount;

Y. "taxable year" means the calendar year or fiscal year upon the basis of which 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 provisions of the Income Tax Act, the period for which the return is made; [and]

Z. "taxpayer" means any individual subject to the tax imposed by the Income Tax Act; <u>and</u>

AA. "zero bracket amount" means the maximum amount . 126319. 1GJ

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1	of taxable income in the first bracket of the tax rate table		
2	for a filing status, for which bracket the amount of tax due		
3	<u>is zero</u> ."		
4	Section 2. Section 7-2-7 NMSA	1978 (being Laws 1994,	
5	Chapter 5, Section 20, as amended) is	s amended to read:	
6	"7-2-7. INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX	RATESThe tax imposed by	
7	Section 7-2-3 NMSA 1978 shall be at t	the following rates for	
8	any taxable year beginning on or afte	er January 1, [1996] <u>1999</u> :	
9	A. For married individual	s filing separate	
10	returns:		
11	If the taxable income is:	The tax shall be:	
12	[Not over \$4,000	1.7% of taxable income	
13	0ver \$ 4,000 but not over \$ 8,000	\$ 68.00 plus 3.2% of	
14		excess over \$ 4,000	
15	0ver \$ 8,000 but not over \$ 12,000	\$ 196 plus 4.7% of	
16		excess over \$ 8,000	
17	0ver \$ 12,000 but not over \$ 20,000	\$ 384 plus 6.0% of	
18		excess over \$ 12,000	
19	0ver \$ 20,000 but not over \$ 32,000	\$ 864 plus 7.1% of	
20		excess over \$ 20,000	
21	0ver \$ 32,000 but not over \$ 50,000	\$ 1,716 plus 7.9% of	
22		excess over \$ 32,000	
23	0ver \$ 50,000	\$ 3,138 plus 8.2% of	
24		excess over \$50,000]	
25	<u>Not over \$2,500</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	
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1	<u> 0ver \$2,500 but not over \$8,000</u>	<u>3.0% of excess over</u>
2		<u>\$2, 500</u>
3	<u>Over \$8,000 but not over \$12,000</u>	<u>\$ 165 plus 4.4% of</u>
4		<u>excess over \$8,000</u>
5	<u>Over \$12,000 but not over \$20,000</u>	<u>\$ 341 plus 6.0% of</u>
6		<u>excess over \$12,000</u>
7	<u>Over \$20,000 but not over \$32,000</u>	<u>\$ 821 plus 7.1% of</u>
8		<u>excess over \$20,000</u>
9	<u>0ver \$32,000</u>	<u>\$1,673 plus 7.9% of</u>
10		<u>excess over \$32,000</u> .
11	B. For surviving spouses	and married individuals
12	filing joint returns:	
13	If the taxable income is:	The tax shall be:
14	[Not over \$8,000	1.7% taxable income
15	0ver \$ 8,000 but not over \$ 16,000	\$ 136 plus 3.2% of
16		excess over \$ 8,000
17	0ver \$ 16,000 but not over \$ 24,000	\$ 392 plus 4.7% of
18		excess over \$ 16,000
19	0ver \$ 24,000 but not over \$ 40,000	\$ 768 plus 6.0% of
20		excess over \$ 24,000
21	0ver \$ 40,000 but not over \$ 64,000	\$ 1,728 plus 7.1% of
22		excess over \$ 40,000
23	0ver \$-64,000 but not over \$100,000	\$ 3,432 plus 7.9% of
24		excess over \$ 64,000
25	0ver \$100, 000	\$ 6,276 plus 8.2% of
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1		excess over \$100,000]
2	<u>Not over \$5,000</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
3	<u>Over \$5,000 but not over \$16,000</u>	3.0% of excess over
4		<u>\$5, 000</u>
5	<u>Over \$16,000 but not over \$24,000</u>	<u>\$ 330 plus 4.4% of</u>
6		<u>excess over \$16,000</u>
7	<u>Over \$24,000 but not over \$40,000</u>	<u>\$ 682 plus 6.0% of</u>
8		<u>excess over \$24,000</u>
9	<u>Over \$40,000 but not over \$64,000</u>	<u>\$1,642 plus 7.1% of</u>
10		<u>excess over \$40,000</u>
11	<u>0ver \$64,000</u>	<u>\$3,346 plus 7.9% of</u>
12		<u>excess over \$64,000</u> .
13	C. For single individuals	and for estates and
14	trusts:	
15	If the taxable income is:	The tax shall be:
16	[Not over \$5, 500	1.7% of taxable income
17	0ver \$ 5,500 but not over \$ 11,000	\$ 93.50 plus 3.2% of
18		excess over \$ 5,500
19	0ver \$ 11,000 but not over \$ 16,000	\$ 269.50 plus 4.7% of
20		excess over \$ 11,000
21	0ver \$ 16,000 but not over \$ 26,000	\$ 504.50 plus 6.0% of
22		excess over \$ 16,000
23	0ver \$ 26,000 but not over \$ 42,000	\$1, 104. 50 plus 7. 1% of
24		excess over \$ 26,000
25	0ver \$ 42,000 but not over \$ 65,000	\$2, 240. 50 plus 7. 9% of
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1		excess over \$ 42,000
2	0ver \$-65,000	\$4, 057. 50 plus 8. 2% of
3		excess over \$ 65,000]
4	<u>Not over \$2,500</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
5	<u>Over \$2,500 but not over \$11,000</u>	3.0% of excess over
6		<u>\$2, 500</u>
7	<u>Over \$11,000 but not over \$16,000</u>	<u> \$ 255 plus 4.4% of</u>
8		<u>excess over \$11,000</u>
9	<u>Over \$16,000 but not over \$26,000</u>	<u>\$ 475 plus 6.0% of</u>
10		<u>excess over \$16,000</u>
11	<u>Over \$26,000 but not over \$42,000</u>	<u>\$1,075 plus 7.1% of</u>
12		<u>excess over \$26,000</u>
13	<u>0ver \$42,000</u>	<u> \$2,211 plus 7.9% of</u>
14		<u>excess over \$42,000</u> .
15	D. For heads of household	filing returns:
16	If the taxable income is:	The tax shall be:
17	[Not over \$7,000	1.7% of taxable income
18	0ver \$ 7,000 but not over \$ 14,000	\$ 119 plus 3.2% of
19		excess over \$ 7,000
20	0ver \$ 14,000 but not over \$ 20,000	\$ 343 plus 4.7% of
21		excess over \$ 14,000
22	0ver \$ 20,000 but not over \$ 33,000	\$ 625 plus 6.0% of
23		excess over \$ 20,000
24	0ver \$ 33,000 but not over \$ 53,000	\$1,405 plus 7.1% of
25		excess over \$-33,000
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1	0ver \$ 53,000 but not over \$ 83,000	\$2, 825 plus 7.9% of
2		excess over \$ 53,000
3	0ver \$ 83,000	\$5, 195 plus 8. 2% of
4		excess over \$ 83,000]
5	<u>Not over \$4,000</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
6	<u>Over \$4,000 but not over \$14,000</u>	3.0% of excess over
7		<u>\$4, 000</u>
8	<u>Over \$14,000 but not over \$20,000</u>	<u>\$ 300 plus 4.4% of</u>
9		<u>excess over \$14,000</u>
10	<u>Over \$20,000 but not over \$33,000</u>	<u>\$ 564 plus 6.0% of</u>
11		<u>excess over \$20,000</u>
12	<u>Over \$33,000 but not over \$53,000</u>	<u>\$1, 344 plus 7. 1% of</u>
13		<u>excess over \$33,000</u>
14	<u>0ver \$53,000</u>	<u>\$2,764 plus 7.9% of</u>
15		<u>excess over \$53,000</u> .
16	E. The tax on the sum of any lump-sum amounts	
17	included in net income is an amount equal to five multiplied by	
18	the difference between:	
19	(1) the amount of ta	ax due on the taxpayer's
20	taxable income; and	
21	(2) the amount of tax that would be due on an	
22	amount equal to the taxpayer's taxable income and twenty	
23	percent of the taxpayer's lump-sum amounts included in net	
24	income."	
25	Section 3. Section 7-2-7 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1994,	
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1	Chapter 5, Section 20, as amended and as further amended by	
2	Section 2 of this act) is repealed and a new Section 7-2-7 NMSA	
3	1978 is enacted to read:	
4	"7-2-7. [<u>NEW MATERIAL</u>] INDIVIDUAL II	NCOME TAX RATES The
5	tax imposed by Section 7-2-3 NMSA 1978 sha	ll be at the
6	following rates for any taxable year begin	ning on or after
7	January 1, 2000:	
8	A. For married individuals fil	ing separate returns:
9	If the taxable income is:	The tax shall be:
10	Not over \$2,500	\$ 0
11	Over \$2,500 but not over \$12,000	3.0% of excess over
12		\$2, 500
13	0ver \$12,000 but not over \$20,000	\$ 285 plus 6.8% of
14		excess over \$12,000
15	0ver \$20,000	\$829 plus 7.1% of
16		excess over \$20,000.
17	B. For surviving spouses and m	arried individuals
18	filing joint returns:	
19	If the taxable income is:	The tax shall be:
20	Not over \$5,000	\$ O
21	Over \$5,000 but not over \$24,000	3.0% of excess over
22		\$5,000
23	0ver \$24,000 but not over \$40,000	\$ 570 plus 6.8% of
24		excess over \$24,000
25	0ver \$40,000	\$1,658 plus 7.1% of
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1		excess over \$40,000.
2	C. For single individuals and	for estates and
3	trusts:	
4	If the taxable income is:	The tax shall be:
5	Not over \$2,500	\$ 0
6	0ver \$2,500 but not over \$16,000	3.0% of excess over
7		\$2, 500
8	Over \$16,000 but not over \$26,000	\$405 plus 6.8% of
9		excess over \$16,000
10	0ver \$26,000	\$1,085 plus 7.1% of
11		excess over \$26,000.
12	D. For heads of household fili	ng returns:
13	If the taxable income is:	The tax shall be:
14	Not over \$4,000	\$ O
15	0ver \$4,000 but not over \$20,000	3.0% of excess over
16		\$4, 000
17	0ver \$20,000 but not over \$33,000	\$480 plus 6.8% of
18		excess over \$20,000
19	0ver \$33,000	\$1,364 plus 7.1% of
20		excess over \$33,000.
21	E. The tax on the sum of any l	ump-sum amounts
22	included in net income is an amount equal	to five multiplied by
23	the difference between:	
24	(1) the amount of tax due	e on the taxpayer's
25	taxable income; and	
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1	(2) the amount of tay the	at would be due on an	
1	(2) the amount of tax that would be due on an		
2	amount equal to the taxpayer's taxable ind	C C	
3	percent of the taxpayer's lump-sum amounts	s included in net	
4	income."		
5	Section 4. Section 7-2-7 NMSA 1978	(being Section 3 of	
6	this act if that section is enacted into I	aw) is repealed and a	
7	new Section 7-2-7 NMSA 1978 is enacted to	read:	
8	"7-2-7. [<u>NEW MATERIAL</u>] INDIVIDUAL I	NCOME TAX RATES The	
9	tax imposed by Section 7-2-3 NMSA 1978 sha	all be at the	
10	following rates for any taxable year begin	nning on or after	
11	January 1, 2001:		
12	A. For married individuals fil	ing separate returns:	
13	If the taxable income is:	The tax shall be:	
14	Not over \$2,500	\$ 0	
15	Over \$2,500 but not over \$12,000	3.0% of excess over	
16		\$2, 500	
17	0ver \$12,000	\$285 plus 6.8% of	
18		excess over \$12,000.	
19	B. For surviving spouses and m	married individuals	
20	filing joint returns:		
21	If the taxable income is:	The tax shall be:	
22	Not over \$5,000	\$ 0	
23	Over \$5,000 but not over \$24,000	3.0% of excess over	
24		\$5,000	
25	0ver \$24,000	\$ 570 plus 6.8% of	
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1		excess over \$24,000.
2	C. For single individuals and	for estates and
3	trusts:	
4	If the taxable income is:	The tax shall be:
5	Not over \$2,500	\$ 0
6	Over \$2,500 but not over \$16,000	3.0% of excess over
7		\$2, 500
8	0ver \$16,000	\$ 405 plus 6.8% of
9		excess over \$16,000.
10	D. For heads of household fili	ng returns:
11	If the taxable income is:	The tax shall be:
12	Not over \$4,000	\$ O
13	0ver \$4,000 but not over \$20,000	3.0% of excess over
14		\$4, 000
15	0ver \$20,000	\$480 plus 6.8% of
16		excess over \$20,000.
17	E. The tax on the sum of any lump-sum amounts	
18	included in net income is an amount equal	to five multiplied by
19	the difference between:	
20	(1) the amount of tax due	e on the taxpayer's
21	taxable income; and	
22	(2) the amount of tax that	at would be due on an
23	amount equal to the taxpayer's taxable inc	come and twenty
24	percent of the taxpayer's lump-sum amounts	included in net
25	income."	
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1	Section 5. Section 7-2-12 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1965,
2	Chapter 202, Section 10, as amended) is amended to read:
3	"7-2-12. TAXPAYER RETURNSPAYMENT OF TAX
4	<u>A.</u> Every resident of this state and every
5	individual deriving income from any business transaction,
6	property or employment within this state and not exempt from
7	tax under the Income Tax Act [who] <u>shall file a complete tax</u>
8	return with the department in form and content as prescribed by
9	<u>the secretary if:</u>
10	(1) the individual is required by the laws of
11	the United States to file a federal income tax return [shall
12	file a complete tax return with the department in form and
13	content as prescribed by the secretary] or files a federal
14	<u>income tax return; and</u>
15	(2) the individual's taxable income exceeds
16	the zero bracket amount for the individual's filing status.
17	B. Unless otherwise required under the Income Tax
18	Act or prescription of the secretary, in completing a return
19	for a taxable year the individual shall declare the same filing
20	status and number of personal exemptions as the individual
21	declared for federal income tax purposes for that same taxable
22	year or, if the individual was not required to file a federal
23	income tax return for the taxable year, the filing status and
24	number of personal exemptions that would have been required or
25	allowed for that individual by the Internal Revenue Code and
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1	regulations thereunder for that taxable year.
2	<u>C.</u> The return required and the tax imposed on
3	individuals under the Income Tax Act are due and payment is
4	required on or before the fifteenth day of the fourth month
5	following the end of the taxable year."
6	Section 6. APPLICABILITYThe following sections of
7	this act are applicable to the following taxable years:
8	A. Sections 1 and 5 to taxable years beginning on
9	or after January 1, 1999;
10	B. Section 2 to taxable years beginning in calendar
11	year 1999;
12	C. Section 3 to taxable years beginning in calendar
13	year 2000; and
14	D. Section 4 to taxable years beginning on or after
15	January 1, 2001.
16	Section 7. EFFECTIVE DATE
17	A. The effective date of the provisions of Section
18	3 of this act is January 1, 2000.
19	B. The effective date of the provisions of Section
20	4 of this act is January 1, 2001.
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