## AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 2413

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- Amend Bill, page 1, lines 10 through 20, by striking out "in 1
- personal income tax, further providing for" in line 10 and all 2
- of lines 11 through 20 and inserting 3
- 4 in personal income tax, further providing for tax withheld, for 5 withholding tax requirement for nonemployer payors, for 6 information statement for nonemployer payors, for information 7 statement for payees, for time for filing payor's returns, 8 for payment of taxes withheld for nonemployer payors, for liability for withheld taxes, repealing provisions relating 9 10 to payor's liability for withheld taxes, further providing for bulk and auction sales and transfers, notice, repealing 11 provisions relating to payor's failure to withhold, providing 12 13 for annual withholding return, further providing for amount 14 of withholding tax and for treatment of nonresident partners, 15 members, or shareholders, repealing provisions relating to 16 withholding on income and to annual withholding statement, 17 further providing for requirements concerning returns, 18 notices, records and statements, for interest and for
- Amend Bill, page 1, lines 23 through 26; pages 2 through 15, 20
- 21 lines 1 through 30; page 16, line 1; by striking out all of said
- 22 lines on said pages and inserting

additions, penalties and fees.

- Section 1. Sections 312, 316.2, 317.1, 317.2, 318.1 and 23 24 319.1 of the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the 25 Tax Reform Code of 1971, amended or added October 30, 2017 26 (P.L.672, No.43), are amended to read:
- 27 Section 312. Tax Withheld. -- (a) The amount withheld under [section 316.1] sections 316.1 and 316.2 shall be allowed to the 28 29 taxpayer from whose income the tax was withheld as a credit 30 against the tax imposed on him by this article.
- 31 (b) The credit under subsection (a) shall be allowed for the 32 person's taxable year in which the tax was withheld.
- 33 Section 316.2. Withholding Tax Requirement for Nonemployer Payors and Lessees. -- (a) To the extent not already required to 34

withhold tax on payments under section 316.1, a person that makes the following types of payments, who is also required to issue or voluntarily issues Federal form 1099-MISC for such payments shall deduct and withhold from the payments an amount equal to the amount of the payment required to be reported on the Federal form 1099-MISC multiplied by the tax rate specified under section 302(b):

- (1) [makes] payments totaling \$5,000 or more of income from sources within this Commonwealth described in section 303(a)(1) or (2) during the calendar year to either a nonresident individual or an entity that is classified as a disregarded entity under section 307.21 that [has a nonresident member; and
- (2) is required under section 335(f)(1) to file a copy of form 1099-MISC with the department regarding the payments; shall deduct and withhold from the payments an amount equal to the net amount of the payments multiplied by the tax rate specified under section 302(b).
- (b) Withholding of tax by payors is optional and at the discretion of the payor with respect to payees who receive payments of less than \$5,000 annually from the payor.
- (c) This section shall not apply to payments made by a payor to a payee if the payor is:
- (1) The United States or an agency or instrumentality thereof; or
- (2) The Commonwealth or an agency, instrumentality or political subdivision thereof.
- (d) The department may prescribe regulations to implement and clarify the withholding requirement set forth in this section.] is owned by a nonresident individual; or
- (2) lease payments totaling \$5,000 or more for real estate in this Commonwealth to a nonresident lessor either directly or indirectly through a management company or other agent authorized to receive the lease payments on behalf of the nonresident lessor.
- (b) Withholding of tax by a payor or lessee is optional and at the discretion of a payor or lessee with respect to payments of income from sources within this Commonwealth of less than \$5,000 annually.
- (c) If at the time of a payment a payor or lessee cannot reasonably expect total payments of income from sources within this Commonwealth to a payee or lessor to be at least \$5,000 during the calendar year, the payor or lessee shall begin to withhold tax once the payor or lessee reasonably expects that total payments of income from sources within this Commonwealth to the payee will be at least \$5,000 during the calendar year. The payor or lessee will not be required to withhold tax on payments made prior to that time.
- (d) A management company acting as an agent for a lessee may
  withhold and remit the tax on behalf of the lessee. A management
  company that withholds the tax on behalf of the lessee becomes
  jointly and severally liable with the lessee for the tax. A

lessee is not relieved from liability for withholding tax if the management company fails to withhold and remit the tax.

- (e) A management company, agent or payee that withholds its compensation from a payment from a lessee or other person shall remit to the lessor or payor with the balance of the payment any tax required to be withheld under this section. If no portion of the payment is remitted to the lessor or payor, the management company, agent or payee must remit the amount of the withheld tax to the lessor or payor within thirty (30) days of receipt of the payment from the lessee or other person. The lessor or payor must remit and report the tax in accordance with sections 318.1 and 319.1.
- (f) Except as provided in subsection (g), in instances where a payment to a payee is attributable to business engaged in, or services performed both within and without this Commonwealth, the portion of the payment constituting income from sources within this Commonwealth for withholding purposes shall be determined by multiplying the payment times the fraction of time spent in this Commonwealth engaging in business or performing services in this Commonwealth to which the payment relates over total time spent engaging in business or performing services everywhere to which the payment relates. Time spent shall be measured in days, hours or any other unit of time that results in a fair and equitable determination of income from sources within this Commonwealth.
- (g) If the payment is based upon volume of activity, including commissions of a salesman, the portion of the payment constituting income from sources within this Commonwealth would be apportioned based upon the volume of activity within and outside this Commonwealth.
- (h) (1) A payor or lessee is not required to withhold the tax under this section if the payee or lessee provides a certification that:
- (i) the payee or lessor is a resident of this Commonwealth; or
- (ii) the payee or lessor is not subject to tax under this article.
- (2) The certification may be on a form prescribed by the department or a substitute form as long as the form contains the information necessary for the payor or lessee to determine whether withholding is required, and the payee or lessor signs the form.
- (i) If a payment relates to business engaged or services performed within or outside this Commonwealth, a nonresident payee shall provide the payor with the portion of the payment that is attributable to business engaged or services performed within this Commonwealth as determined in accordance with subsections (f) and (g).
- (j) If a payee or lessor fails to provide the required
  information under subsection (h) or a payee fails to provide the
  required information in subsection (i), the payor or lessee

shall withhold tax on one hundred per cent of each payment until the payee or lessor provides the required information. The payor or lessee may not be required to adjust the tax withheld on any payment made prior to receipt of the required information.

- (k) A payor or lessee that, in good faith, relies upon information that a payee or lessor provides under subsections (h) and (i) may not be subject to the imposition of a tax under section 320, interest and penalty under this article if the department determines that the payee or lessor was subject to withholding under this section or the payee erroneously provided the payor with the amount of a payment constituting income from sources within this Commonwealth.
- (1) The department may promulgate regulations necessary to implement the withholding requirements of this section.
- (m) This section shall not apply to payments made by a payor or lessee who is:
- (1) the United States or an agency or instrumentality thereof;
- (2) the Commonwealth or an agency, instrumentality or political subdivision thereof; or
  - (3) a lessee under a residential lease.
    - (n) For purposes of this section, the term or phrase:

"Lease payment." Includes, but is not limited to, rents, royalties, bonus payments, damage payments, delay rents and other payments that are made pursuant to a lease other than compensation derived from intangible property having a taxable or business situs in this Commonwealth. Classification as a "lease payment" under this section is solely for the purpose of establishing withholding requirements and is not relevant for determining the proper income classification of the lease payment.

"Lessor." An individual, estate or trust.

Section 317.1. [Information Statement for Nonemployer Payors. -- Every payor required to deduct and withhold tax under section 316.2 shall furnish to a payee to whom the payor has paid income from sources within this Commonwealth during the calendar year a copy of form 1099-MISC required under section 335(f)(1). The copy of form 1099-MISC required by this section for each calendar year shall be forwarded to the payee on or before March 1 of the year succeeding the calendar year.] Information Statement.--(a) Every person required to deduct and withhold tax under section 316.2 shall furnish to a payee or lessee to whom the person has paid income during the calendar year and the department a copy of the Federal form 1099-MISC reporting the payment. The copy of form 1099-MISC required by this section for each calendar year shall be forwarded to the payee or lessor and the department on or before the date the person is required to furnish the form for Federal income tax purposes. The form shall include the amount of the payment subject to withholding under this part and the amount of

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Pennsylvania tax withheld in accordance with section 316.2.

- (b) A person that files a corrected Federal form 1099-MISC for Federal income tax purposes shall file a corrected Federal form 1099-MISC with the department if there is a change in income from sources within this Commonwealth of a payee or lessor or if a person erroneously reports income from sources within this Commonwealth or the amount of tax withheld.
- (c) The Federal form 1099-MISC shall be filed electronically with the department.

Section 317.2. Information Statement for Payees or Lessors.—Every payee or lessor receiving a [copy of] Federal form 1099-MISC [from a payor] under section 317.1 shall file a [duplicate of such information return with the payee's] copy with his or her State income tax return.

Section 318.1. Time for Filing [Payors'] Nonemployer Payer and Lessee Withholding Returns.—Every [payor] person required to deduct and withhold tax under section 316.2 shall file a quarterly withholding return with the department on or before the last day of April, July, October and January for each three-month period ending the last day of March, June, September and December. The quarterly returns shall be filed with the department [in the manner prescribed by regulation.] beginning with the quarter in which the tax is required to be remitted under section 319.1.

Section 319.1. Payment of Taxes Withheld for Nonemployer Payors and Lesses.—Every [payor] person withholding tax under section 316.2 shall pay over to the department or to a depository designated by the department the tax required to be deducted and withheld under section 316.2. The time for paying over the withheld tax shall be as set forth in section 319(1), (2), (3) and (4).

Section 2. Section 320 of the act is amended to read:
Section 320. Liability for Withheld Taxes.—[Every] Except
as otherwise provided in this part, every person required to
deduct and withhold tax or voluntarily deducts and withholds tax
under [section 316.1] sections 316.1 and 316.2 is hereby made
liable for such tax. For purposes of assessment and collection,
any amount required to be withheld and paid over to the
department, any amount voluntarily withheld and paid over to the
department and any additions to tax, penalties and interest with
respect thereto, shall be considered the tax of the person. All
taxes deducted and withheld pursuant to [section 316.1 or under
color of section 316.1] sections 316.1 and 316.2 shall
constitute a trust fund for the Commonwealth and shall be
enforceable against such person, his representative or any other
person receiving any part of such fund.

Section 3. Section 320.1 of the act is repealed:

[Section 320.1. Payor's Liability for Withheld Taxes.--Every payor required to deduct and withhold tax under section 316.2 is hereby made liable for such tax. For purposes of assessment and collection, any amount required to be withheld and paid over to the department and any additions to tax, penalties and interest

with respect thereto shall be considered the tax of the payor.

All taxes deducted and withheld from payees pursuant to section

316.2 or under color of section 316.2 shall constitute a trust

fund for the Commonwealth and shall be enforceable against such

payor, his representative or any other person receiving any part

of such fund.

Section 4. Section 321.1 of the act is amended to read:
Section 321.1. Bulk and Auction Sales and Transfers,
Notice.--[(a) An employer] A person that is liable for filing returns in accordance with the provisions of this part and either sells or causes to be sold at auction, or sells or transfers in bulk, fifty-one per cent or more of any stock of goods, wares or merchandise of any kind, fixtures, machinery, equipment, buildings or real estate held by or on behalf of the employer shall be subject to the provisions of section 1403 of "The Fiscal Code."

Section 5. Section 321.2 of the act is repealed:
[Section 321.2. Payor's Failure to Withhold.--If a payor fails to deduct and withhold tax as prescribed under section 316.2 and thereafter the tax which may be credited is paid, the tax which was required to be deducted and withheld shall not be collected from the payor, but the payor shall not be relieved of the liability for any penalty, interest or additions to the tax imposed with respect to such failure to deduct and withhold.]

Section 6. The act is amended by adding a section to read:

<u>Section 323.1. Annual Withholding Return.--A person required</u>
to withhold tax under this part shall file an annual withholding
return in a time and in such manner as the department may
prescribe showing the total payments subject to withholding and
the total amount of tax deducted, withheld and remitted.

Section 7. Sections 324.1 and 324.2 of the act, amended October 30, 2017 (P.L.672, No.43), are amended to read:

Section 324.1. Amount of Withholding Tax.--(a) The amount of tax withheld [from nonresidents and the amount of the withholding tax payable] under section 324 shall be equal to the income from sources within this Commonwealth of the partnership, association or Pennsylvania S corporation which is allocable to nonresident partners, members or shareholders multiplied by the tax rate specified in section 302(b).

- (b) There shall not be taken into account any item of income, gain, loss or deduction to the extent allocable to any partner, member or shareholder who is not a nonresident.
- [(c) There shall not be taken into account any share of income of nonresident partner, member or shareholder from sources within this Commonwealth to the extent that the amount was subject to withholding under section 324.4 and to the extent withholding actually occurred under section 324.4 by the time withholding is required to be made by the partnership, association or Pennsylvania S corporation under section 324.]

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Section 324.2. Treatment of Nonresident Partners, Members or
Shareholders.--[(a)] Each nonresident partner, member,

shareholder or holder of a beneficial interest shall be allowed a credit for such partner's, member's, shareholder's or holder of a beneficial interest's share of the withholding tax paid by the partnership, association or Pennsylvania S corporation. Such credit shall be allowed for the partner's, member's, shareholder's or holder of a beneficial interest's taxable year in which, or with which, the partnership, association or Pennsylvania S corporation taxable year (for which such tax was paid) ends.

- [(b) Each nonresident lessor shall be allowed a credit for the nonresident lessor's share of the withholding tax paid by the lessee under section 324.4.
- (c) The credits under this section shall be allowed for the nonresident lessor's taxable year in which the lessee withheld tax.

Section 8. Sections 324.4 and 324.5 of the act are repealed: [Section 324.4. Withholding on Income.--(a) Every lessee of Pennsylvania real estate who makes a lease payment in the course of a trade or business to a nonresident lessor shall withhold Pennsylvania personal income tax on rental payments to such nonresident lessor.

- (b) Every lessee shall withhold from each payment made to a lessor an amount equal to the net amount payable to the lessor multiplied by the tax rate specified under section 302(b).
  - (c) (Reserved).

- (d) The withholding of tax under this section is optional and at the discretion of the lessee with respect to payments to a lessor who receives less than \$5,000 annually on a lease.
  - (e) For purposes of this section, the term or phrase:
  - (1) "Lessor" shall include an individual, estate or trust.
- (2) "Lease payment" shall include, but not be limited to, rents, royalties, bonus payments, damage payments, delay rents and other payments made pursuant to a lease, other than compensation derived from intangible property having a taxable or business situs in this Commonwealth. Classification as a "lease payment" under this section is solely for the purposes of establishing withholding requirements and shall not be relevant for a determination as to the proper income classification of any such lease payment.
- (3) "In the course of a trade or business" shall include any person or business entity making lease payments to a nonresident or agent of a nonresident who collects rent or lease payments on behalf of a nonresident owner other than a tenant of residential property.

Section 324.5. Annual Withholding Statement.--(a) Every lessee shall furnish to each lessor an annual statement at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the department showing the total payments made by the lessee to the lessor during the preceding taxable year and showing the amount of the tax deducted and withheld from the payments under section 324.4.

(b) Every lessee shall file with the department an annual

statement at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the department showing the total payments made to each lessor subject to withholding during the preceding taxable year or any portion of the preceding taxable year and the total amount of tax deducted and withheld under section 324.4.

(c) Every lessor shall file a duplicate of the annual statement furnished by the lessee under this section with the lessor's State income tax return.]

Section 9. Section 335(f), amended October 30, 2017 (P.L.672, No.43), is amended to read:

Section 335. Requirements Concerning Returns, Notices, Records and Statements.--\* \*  $^{\star}$ 

- [(f) The following apply:
- (1) Any person who:

- (i) makes payments of Pennsylvania source income that fall within any of the eight classes of income enumerated in section 303(a);
- (ii) makes such payments to an individual, an entity treated as a partnership for tax purposes or a single member limited liability company; and
- (iii) is required to make a form 1099-MISC return to the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States with respect to such payments, shall file a copy of such form 1099-MISC with the department and send a copy of such form 1099-MISC to the payee by March 1 of each year or, if filed electronically, by March 31 of each year. If the form 1099-MISC filed by a payor with the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States is not completed in such a manner that State income and State tax withheld information, currently boxes 16 through 18 on Federal form 1099-MISC, is reflected thereon, the payor shall update the copies of form 1099-MISC to be provided pursuant to this section to reflect such information prior to filing it with the department and sending it to the payee.
- (2) If the payor is required to perform electronic filing for Pennsylvania employer withholding purposes, the form 1099-MISC shall be filed electronically with the department.
- (3) As used in this subsection, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings given to them in this paragraph unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

"Payee." The person receiving the payments subject to withholding under this subsection.

"Payments." The term does not include a partner or shareholder's distributive share of income from a partnership or Pennsylvania S corporation.

"Payor." The person required to withhold under this subsection.]

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Section 10. Section 351 of the act is amended to read: Section 351. Interest.--\* \* \*

(b) [If] Except as otherwise provided in Part VII, if any amount of tax required to be withheld [by an employer] and paid

to the department under Part VII of this article is not paid by the due date prescribed under section 319 or 319.1, interest on the amount at the rate established under section 806 of "The Fiscal Code" shall be paid from that date for the period of underpayment.

Section 11. Section 352(f), (h) and (j) of the act, amended October 30, 2017 (P.L.672, No.43), are amended to read:

Section 352. Additions, Penalties and Fees. --\* \* \*

- (f) (1) Any person required under the provisions of section 317 to furnish a statement to an employe who wilfully furnishes a false or fraudulent statement, or who wilfully fails to furnish a statement in the manner, at the time, and showing the information required under section 317 and the regulations prescribed thereunder, shall, for each such failure, be subject to a penalty of fifty dollars (\$50) for each employe.
- (2) Any person required to furnish an information return who furnishes a false or fraudulent return or who fails to file or provide an information return shall be subject to a penalty of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).
- (3) Every partnership, estate, trust or Pennsylvania S corporation required to file a return with the department under the provisions of section 330.1 or 335(c) who furnishes a false or fraudulent return or who fails to file the return in the manner and at the time required under section 330.1 or 335(c) shall be subject to a penalty of \$250 for each failure.
- (4) Any person required to file a copy of form 1099-MISC with the department under the provisions of section [335(f)]  $\underline{317.1}$  who wilfully furnishes a false or fraudulent form or who wilfully fails to file the form in the manner, at the time and showing the information required under section [335(f)]  $\underline{317.1}$  shall, for each such failure, be subject to a penalty of fifty dollars (\$50).
- (5) Any person required under the provisions of section [335(f)]  $\underline{317.1}$  to furnish a copy of form 1099-MISC to a payee who wilfully furnishes a false or fraudulent form or who wilfully fails to furnish a form in the manner, at the time and showing the information required by section [335(f)]  $\underline{317.1}$  shall, for each such failure, be subject to a penalty of fifty dollars (\$50).
- (6) Any person required to file an annual statement with the department under the provisions of section [324.5] 323.1 who wilfully furnishes a false or fraudulent statement or who wilfully fails to file the statement in the manner, at the time and showing the information required under section [324.5] 323.1 and the regulations prescribed under section [324.5] 323.1 shall, for each such failure, be subject to a penalty of fifty dollars (\$50).
- [(7) Any person required under the provisions of section 324.5 to furnish an annual statement to a lessor who wilfully furnishes a false or fraudulent statement or who wilfully fails to furnish a statement in the manner, at the time and showing

the information required by section 324.5 and the regulations prescribed under section 324.5 shall, for each such failure, be subject to a penalty of fifty dollars (\$50).]

(h) [If] Except as otherwise provided in Part VII, if any 5 amount of tax required to be withheld by [an employer] a person and paid over to the department under section 319 or 319.1 is not paid on or before the due date prescribed for filing the quarterly return under section 318 or 318.1, determined without regard to an extension of time for filing, there shall be added to the tax and paid to the department each month five per cent of such underpayment for each month or fraction thereof from the due date, for the period from the due date to the date paid; but the underpayment shall, for purposes of computing the addition for any month, be reduced by the amount of any part of the tax which is paid by the beginning of that month. The total of such additions shall not exceed fifty per cent of the amount of tax required to be shown on the return reduced by the amount of any part of the tax which is paid by the return due date and by the amount of any credit against the tax which may be claimed on the return.

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(j) If any amount of tax required to be withheld by a partnership, association[,] or Pennsylvania S corporation [or lessee] and paid over to the department under section 324 [or 324.4] is not paid on or before the date prescribed therefor, there shall be added to the tax and paid to the department each month five per cent of such underpayment for each month or fraction thereof from the due date, for the period from the due date to the date paid; but the underpayment shall, for purposes of computing the addition for any month, be reduced by the amount of any part of the tax which is paid by the beginning of that month. The total of such additions shall not exceed fifty per cent of the amount of such tax.

Section 12. This act shall take effect immediately.