

GA H 1015, Enacted

Georgia

SUMMARY: Relates to the imposition, rate, computation, exemptions, and credits relative to income taxes, so as to reduce the rate of the tax; provides for related matters; provides for an effective date and applicability; repeals conflicting laws.~SAME AS:

Changes in Bill text reflected as:

~~Text Deleted~~

Text Added

~~Text Vetoed~~

Current Legislative Status

01/24/2024 INTRODUCED.

01/25/2024 To HOUSE Committee on WAYS AND MEANS.

01/26/2024 In HOUSE: Read 2nd time.

02/01/2024 From HOUSE Committee on WAYS AND MEANS: Favorably reported.

02/08/2024 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. *****To SENATE.

02/09/2024 To SENATE Committee on FINANCE.

03/14/2024 From SENATE Committee on FINANCE: Favorably reported.

03/18/2024 In SENATE: Read 2nd time.

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03/20/2024 Eligible for GOVERNOR'S desk.

04/01/2024 *****To GOVERNOR.

04/18/2024 Signed by GOVERNOR.

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McDonald

Act No. 378

House Bill 1015 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives McDonald of the 26th, Blackmon of the 146th, Jones of the 47th, Hong of the 103rd, Wade of the 9th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the imposition, rate, computation, exemptions, and credits relative to income taxes, so as to reduce the rate of the tax; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the imposition, rate, computation, exemptions, and credits relative to income taxes, is amended by revising subsection (a.1) of Code Section 48-7-20, relating to individual tax rates, credit for withholding and other payments, and applicability to estates and trusts, as follows:

"(a.1)(1) On and after January 1, 2024, the tax imposed pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section shall be ~~5.49~~ **5.39** percent for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2024; provided, however, that such rate shall be reduced by 0.10 percent annually beginning on January 1, 2025, until the rate reaches 4.99 percent, provided such annual reductions in the tax rate shall be subject to delays as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection.

(2) Each prospective annual reduction in the tax rate that would otherwise occur as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be delayed by one year for each year that any of the following are true as of December 1:

(A) The Governor's revenue estimate for the succeeding fiscal year is not at least 3 percent above the Governor's revenue estimate for the present fiscal year;

(B) The prior fiscal year's net revenue collection was not higher than each of the preceding three fiscal years' net tax revenue collection; or

(C) The Revenue Shortfall Reserve provided for in Code Section 45-12-93 does not contain a sum that exceeds the amount of the decrease in state revenue projected to occur as a result of the prospective reduction in the tax rates set to occur the following year.

(3) The Office of Planning and Budget shall make the determinations necessary to implement the provisions of paragraph (2) of this subsection and shall report its determinations by December 1 of each year to the department, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, and the chairpersons of the House Appropriations Committee, the House Ways and Means Committee, the Senate Appropriations Committee, and the Senate Finance Committee. This paragraph shall not be applicable after the final reduction to the rate of 4.99 percent occurs."

SECTION 2.

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2024, and shall apply to all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2024.

SECTION 3.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.