

THE
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OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

FROM

APRIL, 1917, TO MARCH, 1919

CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS OF THE TWO HOUSES OF CONGRESS

AND

**RECENT TREATIES, CONVENTIONS, AND EXECUTIVE
PROCLAMATIONS**

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employed in keeping the books of such taxpayer; but if no such method of accounting has been so employed, or if the method employed does not clearly reflect the income, the computation shall be made upon such basis and in such manner as in the opinion of the Commissioner does clearly reflect the income. If the taxpayer's annual accounting period is other than a fiscal year as defined in section 200 or if the taxpayer has no annual accounting period or does not keep books, the net income shall be computed on the basis of the calendar year.

If a taxpayer changes his accounting period from fiscal year to calendar year, from calendar year to fiscal year, or from one fiscal year to another, the net income shall, with the approval of the Commissioner, be computed on the basis of such new accounting period, subject to the provisions of section 226.

GROSS INCOME DEFINED.

SEC. 213. That for the purposes of this title (except as otherwise provided in section 233) the term "gross income"—

(a) Includes gains, profits, and income derived from salaries, wages, or compensation for personal service (including in the case of the President of the United States, the judges of the Supreme and inferior courts of the United States, and all other officers and employees, whether elected or appointed, of the United States, Alaska, Hawaii, or any political subdivision thereof, or the District of Columbia, the compensation received as such), of whatever kind and in whatever form paid, or from professions, vocations, trades, businesses, commerce, or sales, or dealings in property, whether real or personal, growing out of the ownership or use of or interest in such property; also from interest, rent, dividends, securities, or the transaction of any business carried on for gain or profit, or gains or profits and income derived from any source whatever. The amount of all such items shall be included in the gross income for the taxable year in which received by the taxpayer, unless, under methods of accounting permitted under subdivision (b) of section 212, any such amounts are to be properly accounted for as of a different period; but

(b) Does not include the following items, which shall be exempt from taxation under this title:

(1) The proceeds of life insurance policies paid upon the death of the insured to individual beneficiaries or to the estate of the insured;

(2) The amount received by the insured as a return of premium or premiums paid by him under life insurance, endowment, or annuity contracts, either during the term or at the maturity of the term mentioned in the contract or upon surrender of the contract;

(3) The value of property acquired by gift, bequest, devise, or descent (but the income from such property shall be included in gross income);

(4) Interest upon (a) the obligations of a State, Territory, or any political subdivision thereof, or the District of Columbia; or (b) securities issued under the provisions of the Federal Farm Loan Act of July 17, 1916; or (c) the obligations of the United States or its possessions; or (d) bonds issued by the War Finance Corporation: *Provided*, That every person owning any of the obligations, securities or bonds enumerated in clauses (a), (b), (c) and (d) shall, in the return required by this title, submit a statement showing the number and amount of such obligations, securities and bonds owned by him and the income received therefrom, in such form and with such information as the Commissioner may require. In the case of obligations of the United States issued after September 1, 1917, and in the case of bonds issued by the War Finance

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39 per centum of the amount by which the net income exceeds \$82,000 and does not exceed \$84,000;

40 per centum of the amount by which the net income exceeds \$84,000 and does not exceed \$86,000;

41 per centum of the amount by which the net income exceeds \$86,000 and does not exceed \$88,000;

42 per centum of the amount by which the net income exceeds \$88,000 and does not exceed \$90,000;

43 per centum of the amount by which the net income exceeds \$90,000 and does not exceed \$92,000;

44 per centum of the amount by which the net income exceeds \$92,000 and does not exceed \$94,000;

45 per centum of the amount by which the net income exceeds \$94,000 and does not exceed \$96,000;

46 per centum of the amount by which the net income exceeds \$96,000 and does not exceed \$98,000;

47 per centum of the amount by which the net income exceeds \$98,000 and does not exceed \$100,000;

48 per centum of the amount by which the net income exceeds \$100,000 and does not exceed \$150,000;

49 per centum of the amount by which the net income exceeds \$150,000 and does not exceed \$200,000;

50 per centum of the amount by which the net income exceeds \$200,000.

(b) In the case of a bona fide sale of mines, oil or gas wells, or any interest therein, where the principal value of the property has been demonstrated by prospecting or exploration and discovery work done by the taxpayer, the portion of the tax imposed by this section attributable to such sale shall not exceed, for the calendar year 1921, 20 per centum, and for each calendar year thereafter 16 per centum, of the selling price of such property or interest.

NET INCOME OF INDIVIDUALS DEFINED.

SEC. 212. (a) That in the case of an individual the term "net income" means the gross income as defined in section 213, less the deductions allowed by section 214.

(b) The net income shall be computed upon the basis of the taxpayer's annual accounting period (fiscal year or calendar year, as the case may be) in accordance with the method of accounting regularly employed in keeping the books of such taxpayer; but if no such method of accounting has been so employed, or if the method employed does not clearly reflect the income, the computation shall be made upon such basis and in such manner as in the opinion of the Commissioner does clearly reflect the income. If the taxpayer's annual accounting period is other than a fiscal year as defined in section 200 or if the taxpayer has no annual accounting period or does not keep books, the net income shall be computed on the basis of the calendar year.

(c) If a taxpayer changes his accounting period from fiscal year to calendar year, from calendar year to fiscal year, or from one fiscal year to another, the net income shall, with the approval of the Commissioner, be computed on the basis of such new accounting period, subject to the provisions of section 226.

GROSS INCOME DEFINED.

SEC. 213. That for the purposes of this title (except as otherwise provided in section 233) the term "gross income"—

(a) Includes gains, profits, and income derived from salaries, wages, or compensation for personal service (including in the case of the President of the United States, the judges of the Supreme and inferior courts of the United States, and all other officers and employees, whether elected or appointed, of the United States, Alaska, Hawaii, or any political subdivision thereof, or the District of Columbia, the compensation received as such), of whatever kind and in whatever form paid, or from professions, vocations, trades, businesses, commerce, or sales, or dealings in property, whether real or personal, growing out of the ownership or use of or interest in such property; also from interest, rent, dividends, securities, or the transaction of any business carried on for gain or profit, or gains or profits and income derived from any source whatever. The amount of all such items (except as provided in subdivision (e) of section 201) shall be included in the gross income for the taxable year in which received by the taxpayer, unless, under methods of accounting permitted under subdivision (b) of section 212, any such amounts are to be properly accounted for as of a different period; but

(b) Does not include the following items, which shall be exempt from taxation under this title:

(1) The proceeds of life insurance policies paid upon the death of the insured;

(2) The amount received by the insured as a return of premium or premiums paid by him under life insurance, endowment, or annuity contracts, either during the term or at the maturity of the term mentioned in the contract or upon surrender of the contract;

(3) The value of property acquired by gift, bequest, devise, or descent (but the income from such property shall be included in gross income);

(4) Interest upon (a) the obligations of a State, Territory, or any political subdivision thereof, or the District of Columbia; or (b) securities issued under the provisions of the Federal Farm Loan Act of July 17, 1916; or (c) the obligations of the United States or its possessions; or (d) bonds issued by the War Finance Corporation. In the case of obligations of the United States issued after September 1, 1917 (other than postal savings certificates of deposit), and in the case of bonds issued by the War Finance Corporation, the interest shall be exempt only if and to the extent provided in the respective Acts authorizing the issue thereof as amended and supplemented, and shall be excluded from gross income only if and to the extent it is wholly exempt to the taxpayer from income, war-profits and excess-profits taxes;

(5) The income of foreign governments received from investments in the United States in stocks, bonds, or other domestic securities, owned by such foreign governments, or from interest on deposits in banks in the United States of moneys belonging to such foreign governments, or from any other source within the United States;

(6) Amounts received, through accident or health insurance or under workmen's compensation acts, as compensation for personal injuries or sickness, plus the amount of any damages received whether by suit or agreement on account of such injuries or sickness;

(7) Income derived from any public utility or the exercise of any essential governmental function and accruing to any State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, or any political subdivision of a State or Territory, or income accruing to the Government of any possession of the United States, or any political subdivision thereof.

Whenever any State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, or any political subdivision of a State or Territory, prior to September 8, 1916, entered in good faith into a contract with any person, the object and purpose of which is to acquire, construct, operate, or maintain a

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\$92,020 upon net incomes of \$300,000; and upon net incomes in excess of \$300,000 and not in excess of \$500,000, 39 per centum in addition of such excess.

\$170,020 upon net incomes of \$500,000; and upon net incomes in excess of \$500,000, in addition 40 per centum of such excess.

(b) In the case of a bona fide sale of mines, oil or gas wells, or any interest therein, where the principal value of the property has been demonstrated by prospecting or exploration and discovery work done by the taxpayer, the portion of the tax imposed by this section attributable to such sale shall not exceed 16 per centum of the selling price of such property or interest.

NET INCOME OF INDIVIDUALS DEFINED.

SEC. 212. (a) In the case of an individual the term "net income" means the gross income as defined in section 213, less the deductions allowed by sections 214 and 206.

(b) The net income shall be computed upon the basis of the taxpayer's annual accounting period (fiscal year or calendar year, as the case may be) in accordance with the method of accounting regularly employed in keeping the books of such taxpayer; but if no such method of accounting has been so employed, or if the method employed does not clearly reflect the income, the computation shall be made in accordance with such method as in the opinion of the Commissioner does clearly reflect the income. If the taxpayer's annual accounting period is other than a fiscal year as defined in section 200 or if the taxpayer has no annual accounting period or does not keep books, the net income shall be computed on the basis of the calendar year.

(c) If a taxpayer changes his accounting period from fiscal year to calendar year, from calendar year to fiscal year, or from one fiscal year to another, the net income shall, with the approval of the Commissioner, be computed on the basis of such new accounting period, subject to the provisions of section 226.

GROSS INCOME DEFINED.

SEC. 213. For the purposes of this title, except as otherwise provided in section 233—

(a) The term "gross income" includes gains, profits, and income derived from salaries, wages, or compensation for personal service (including in the case of the President of the United States, the judges or the Supreme and inferior courts of the United States, and all other officers and employees, whether elected or appointed, of the United States, Alaska, Hawaii, or any political subdivision thereof, or the District of Columbia, the compensation received as such), of whatever kind and in whatever form paid, or from professions, vocations, trades, businesses, commerce, or sales, or dealings in property, whether real or personal, growing out of the ownership or use of or interest in such property; also from interest, rent, dividends, securities, or the transaction of any business carried on for gain or profit, or gains or profits and income derived from any source whatever. The amount of all such items shall be included in the gross income for the taxable year in which received by the taxpayer, unless, under methods or accounting permitted under subdivision (b) of section 212, any such amounts are to be property accounted for as of a different period.

(b) The term "gross income" does not include the following items, which shall be exempt from taxation under this title:

(1) The proceeds of life insurance policies paid upon the death of the insured;

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GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE
WASHINGTON
1927

\$11,660 upon net incomes of \$100,000; and upon net incomes in excess of \$100,000, in addition 20 per centum of such excess.

(b) In the case of a bona fide sale of mines, oil or gas wells, or any interest therein, where the principal value of the property has been demonstrated by prospecting or exploration and discovery work done by the taxpayer, the portion of the tax imposed by this section attributable to such sale shall not exceed 16 per centum of the selling price of such property or interest.

NET INCOME OF INDIVIDUALS DEFINED

SEC. 212. (a) In the case of an individual the term "net income" means the gross income as defined in section 213, less the deductions allowed by sections 214 and 206.

(b) The net income shall be computed upon the basis of the taxpayer's annual accounting period (fiscal year or calendar year, as the case may be) in accordance with the method of accounting regularly employed in keeping the books of such taxpayer; but if no such method of accounting has been so employed, or if the method employed does not clearly reflect the income, the computation shall be made in accordance with such method as in the opinion of the Commissioner does clearly reflect the income. If the taxpayer's annual accounting period is other than a fiscal year as defined in section 200 or if the taxpayer has no annual accounting period or does not keep books, the net income shall be computed on the basis of the calendar year.

(c) If a taxpayer changes his accounting period from fiscal year to calendar year, from calendar year to fiscal year, or from one fiscal year to another, the net income shall, with the approval of the Commissioner, be computed on the basis of such new accounting period, subject to the provisions of section 226.

(d) Under regulations prescribed by the Commissioner with the approval of the Secretary, a person who regularly sells or otherwise disposes of personal property on the installment plan may return as income therefrom in any taxable year that proportion of the installment payments actually received in that year which the total profit realized or to be realized when the payment is completed, bears to the total contract price. In the case (1) of a casual sale or other casual disposition of personal property for a price exceeding \$1,000, or (2) of a sale or other disposition of real property, if in either case the initial payments do not exceed one-fourth of the purchase price, the income may, under regulations prescribed by the Commissioner with the approval of the Secretary, be returned on the basis and in the manner above prescribed in this subdivision. As used in this subdivision the term "initial payments" means the payments received in cash or property other than evidences of indebtedness of the purchaser during the taxable period in which the sale or other disposition is made.

GROSS INCOME DEFINED

SEC. 213. For the purposes of this title, except as otherwise provided in section 233—

(a) The term "gross income" includes gains, profits, and income derived from salaries, wages, or compensation for personal service (including in the case of the President of the United States, the judges of the Supreme and inferior courts of the United States, and all other officers and employees, whether elected or appointed, of the United States, Alaska, Hawaii, or any political subdivision

thereof, or the District of Columbia, the compensation received as such), of whatever kind and in whatever form paid, or from professions, vocations, trades, businesses, commerce, or sales, or dealings in property, whether real or personal, growing out of the ownership or use of or interest in such property; also from interest, rent, dividends, securities, or the transaction of any business carried on for gain or profit, or gains or profits and income derived from any source whatever. The amount of all such items shall be included in the gross income for the taxable year in which received by the taxpayer, unless, under methods of accounting permitted under subdivision (b) of section 212, any such amounts are to be properly accounted for as of a different period.

(b) The term "gross income" does not include the following items, which shall be exempt from taxation under this title:

(1) Amounts received under a life insurance contract paid by reason of the death of the insured, whether in a single sum or in installments (but if such amounts are held by the insurer under an agreement to pay interest thereon, the interest payments shall be included in gross income);

(2) Amounts received (other than amounts paid by reason of the death of the insured and interest payments on such amounts) under a life insurance, endowment, or annuity contract, but if such amounts (when added to amounts received before the taxable year under such contract) exceed the aggregate premiums or consideration paid (whether or not paid during the taxable year) then the excess shall be included in gross income. In the case of a transfer for a valuable consideration, by assignment or otherwise, of a life insurance, endowment, or annuity contract, or any interest therein, only the actual value of such consideration and the amount of the premiums and other sums subsequently paid by the transferee shall be exempt from taxation under paragraph (1) or this paragraph;

(3) The value of property acquired by gift, bequest, devise, or inheritance (but the income from such property shall be included in gross income);

(4) Interest upon (A) the obligations of a State, Territory, or any political subdivision thereof, or the District of Columbia; or (B) securities issued under the provisions of the Federal Farm Loan Act, or under the provisions of such Act as amended; or (C) the obligations of the United States or its possessions. Every person owning any of the obligations or securities enumerated in clause (A), (B), or (C) shall, in the return required by this title, submit a statement showing the number and amount of such obligations and securities owned by him and the income received therefrom, in such form and with such information as the Commissioner may require. In the case of obligations of the United States issued after September 1, 1917 (other than postal savings certificates of deposit), the interest shall be exempt only if and to the extent provided in the respective Acts authorizing the issue thereof as amended and supplemented, and shall be excluded from gross income only if and to the extent it is wholly exempt to the taxpayer from income taxes;

(5) The income of foreign governments received from investments in the United States in stocks, bonds, or other domestic securities, owned by such foreign governments, or from interest on deposits in banks in the United States of moneys belonging to such foreign governments, or from any other source within the United States;

(6) Amounts received, through accident or health insurance or under workmen's compensation acts, as compensation for personal

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\$7,860 upon net incomes of \$80,000; and upon net incomes in excess of \$80,000 and not in excess of \$100,000, 19 per centum in addition of such excess.

\$11,660 upon net incomes of \$100,000; and upon net incomes in excess of \$100,000, in addition 20 per centum of such excess.

(b) Sale of mines and oil or gas wells.—For limitation of surtax attributable to sale of mines and oil or gas wells, see section 102.

(c) Capital net gains and losses.—For rate and computation of tax in lieu of normal and surtax in case of net incomes of not less than \$30,000, approximately, or in case of net incomes, excluding items of capital gain, capital loss, and capital deductions, of not less than \$30,000, approximately, see section 101.

(d) Evasion of surtaxes by incorporation.—For tax on corporations which accumulate surplus to evade surtax on stockholders, see section 104.

SEC. 13. TAX ON CORPORATIONS.

(a) Rate of tax.—There shall be levied, collected, and paid for each taxable year upon the net income of every corporation, a tax of 12 per centum of the amount of the net income in excess of the credits against net income provided in section 26.

(b) Exempt corporations.—For corporations exempt from tax, see section 103.

(e) Improper accumulation of surplus.—For tax on corporations which accumulate surplus to evade surtax on stockholders, see section 104.

SEC. 14. TAXABLE PERIOD EMBRACING YEARS WITH DIFFERENT LAWS.

If a taxable period embraces portions of two calendar years for which the laws are different, the tax shall be computed as provided in section 105.

PART II—COMPUTATION OF NET INCOME

SEC. 21. NET INCOME.

"Net income" means the gross income computed under section 22, less the deductions allowed by section 23.

SEC. 22. GROSS INCOME.

(a) General definition.—"Gross income" includes gains, profits, and income derived from salaries, wages, or compensation for personal service, of whatever kind and in whatever form paid, or from professions, vocations, trades, businesses, commerce, or sales, or dealings in property, whether real or personal, growing out of the ownership or use of or interest in such property; also from interest, rent, dividends, securities, or the transaction of any business carried on for gain or profit, or gains or profits and income derived from any source whatever.

(b) Exclusions from gross income.—The following items shall not be included in gross income and shall be exempt from taxation under this title:

(1) LIFE INSURANCE.—Amounts received under a life insurance contract paid by reason of the death of the insured, whether in a single sum or in installments (but if such amounts are held by the insurer under an agreement to pay interest thereon, the interest payments shall be included in gross income);

(2) ANNUITIES, ETC.—Amounts received (other than amounts paid by reason of the death of the insured and interest payments

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Part II—Computation of Net Income**SEC. 21. NET INCOME.**

"Net income" means the gross income computed under section 22, less the deductions allowed by section 23.

SEC. 22. GROSS INCOME.

(a) **GENERAL DEFINITION.**—"Gross income" includes gains, profits, and income derived from salaries, wages, or compensation for personal service, of whatever kind and in whatever form paid, or from professions, vocations, trades businesses, commerce, or sales, or dealings in property, whether real or personal, growing out of the ownership or use of or interest in such property; also from interest, rent, dividends, securities, or the transaction of any business carried on for gain or profit, or gains or profits and income derived from any source whatever. In the case of Presidents of the United States and judges of courts of the United States taking office after the date of the enactment of this Act, the compensation received as such shall be included in gross income; and all Acts fixing the compensation of such Presidents and judges are hereby amended accordingly.

(b) **EXCLUSIONS FROM GROSS INCOME.**—The following items shall not be included in gross income and shall be exempt from taxation under this title:

(1) **LIFE INSURANCE.**—Amounts received under a life insurance contract paid by reason of the death of the insured, whether in a single sum or in installments (but if such amounts are held by the insurer under an agreement to pay interest thereon, the interest payments shall be included in gross income);

(2) **ANNUITIES, ETC.**—Amounts received (other than amounts paid by reason of the death of the insured and interest payments on such amounts) under a life insurance, endowment, or annuity contract, but if such amounts (when added to amounts received before the taxable year under such contract) exceed the aggregate premiums or consideration paid (whether or not paid during the taxable year) then the excess shall be included in gross income. In the case of a transfer for a valuable consideration, by assignment or otherwise, of a life insurance, endowment, or annuity contract, or any interest therein, only the actual value of such consideration and the amount of the premiums and other sums subsequently paid by the transferee shall be exempt from taxation under paragraph (1) or this paragraph;

(3) **GIFTS, BEQUESTS, AND DEVISES.**—The value of property acquired by gift, bequest, devise, or inheritance (but the income from such property shall be included in gross income);

(4) **TAX-FREE INTEREST.**—Interest upon (A) the obligations of a State, Territory, or any political subdivision thereof, or the District of Columbia; or (B) securities issued under the provisions of the Federal Farm Loan Act, or under the provisions of such Act as amended; or (C) the obligations of the United States or its possessions. Every person owning any of the obligations or securities enumerated in clause (A), (B), or (C) shall, in the return required by this title, submit a statement showing the number and amount of such obligations and securities owned by him and the income received therefrom, in such form and with such information as the Commissioner may require. In the case of obligations of the United States issued after September 1, 1917 (other than postal savings certificates of deposit), the interest shall be exempt only if and to the extent provided in the respective Acts authorizing the

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PART 1

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\$54,000 upon surtax net incomes of \$150,000; and upon surtax net incomes in excess of \$150,000 and not in excess of \$200,000, 53 per centum in addition of such excess.

\$80,500 upon surtax net incomes of \$200,000; and upon surtax net incomes in excess of \$200,000 and not in excess of \$300,000, 54 per centum in addition of such excess.

\$134,500 upon surtax net incomes of \$300,000; and upon surtax net incomes in excess of \$300,000 and not in excess of \$400,000, 55 per centum in addition of such excess.

\$189,500 upon surtax net incomes of \$400,000; and upon surtax net incomes in excess of \$400,000 and not in excess of \$500,000, 56 per centum in addition of such excess.

\$245,500 upon surtax net incomes of \$500,000; and upon surtax net incomes in excess of \$500,000 and not in excess of \$750,000, 57 per centum in addition of such excess.

\$388,000 upon surtax net incomes of \$750,000; and upon surtax net incomes in excess of \$750,000 and not in excess of \$1,000,000, 58 per centum in addition of such excess.

\$533,000 upon surtax net incomes of \$1,000,000; and upon surtax net incomes in excess of \$1,000,000, 59 per centum in addition of such excess.

(c) TAX ON PERSONAL HOLDING COMPANIES.—For surtax on personal holding companies, see section 351.

(d) AVOIDANCE OF SURTAXES BY INCORPORATION.—For surtax on corporations which accumulate surplus to avoid surtax on stockholders, see section 102.

SEC. 13. TAX ON CORPORATIONS.

(a) RATE OF TAX.—There shall be levied, collected, and paid for each taxable year upon the net income of every corporation, a tax of $13\frac{3}{4}$ per centum of the amount of the net income in excess of the credit against net income provided in section 26.

(b) EXEMPT CORPORATIONS.—For corporations exempt from tax, see section 101.

(c) TAX ON PERSONAL HOLDING COMPANIES.—For surtax on personal holding companies, see section 351.

(d) IMPROPER ACCUMULATION OF SURPLUS.—For surtax on corporations which accumulate surplus to avoid surtax on stockholders, see section 102.

Part II—Computation of Net Income

SEC. 21. NET INCOME.

"Net income" means the gross income computed under section 22, less the deductions allowed by section 23.

SEC. 22. GROSS INCOME.

(a) GENERAL DEFINITION.—"Gross income" includes gains, profits, and income derived from salaries, wages, or compensation for personal service, of whatever kind and in whatever form paid, or from professions, vocations, trades, businesses, commerce, or sales, or dealings in property, whether real or personal, growing out of the ownership or use of or interest in such property; also from interest, rent, dividends, securities, or the transaction of any business carried on for gain or profit, or gains or profits and income derived from any source whatever. In the case of Presidents of the United States and judges of courts of the United States taking office after June 6, 1932, the compensation received as such shall be included

in gross income; and all Acts fixing the compensation of such Presidents and judges are hereby amended accordingly.

(b) EXCLUSIONS FROM GROSS INCOME.—The following items shall not be included in gross income and shall be exempt from taxation under this title:

(1) LIFE INSURANCE.—Amounts received under a life insurance contract paid by reason of the death of the insured, whether in a single sum or otherwise (but if such amounts are held by the insurer under an agreement to pay interest thereon, the interest payments shall be included in gross income);

(2) ANNUITIES, ETC.—Amounts received (other than amounts paid by reason of the death of the insured and interest payments on such amounts and other than amounts received as annuities) under a life insurance or endowment contract, but if such amounts (when added to amounts received before the taxable year under such contract) exceed the aggregate premiums or consideration paid (whether or not paid during the taxable year) then the excess shall be included in gross income. Amounts received as an annuity under an annuity or endowment contract shall be included in gross income; except that there shall be excluded from gross income the excess of the amount received in the taxable year over an amount equal to 3 per centum of the aggregate premiums or consideration paid for such annuity (whether or not paid during such year), until the aggregate amount excluded from gross income under this title or prior income tax laws in respect of such annuity equals the aggregate premiums or consideration paid for such annuity. In the case of a transfer for a valuable consideration, by assignment or otherwise, of a life insurance, endowment, or annuity contract, or any interest therein, only the actual value of such consideration and the amount of the premiums and other sums subsequently paid by the transferee shall be exempt from taxation under paragraph (1) or this paragraph;

(3) GIFTS, BEQUESTS, AND DEVISES.—The value of property acquired by gift, bequest, devise, or inheritance (but the income from such property shall be included in gross income);

(4) TAX-FREE INTEREST.—Interest upon (A) the obligations of a State, Territory, or any political subdivision thereof, or the District of Columbia; or (B) obligations of a corporation organized under Act of Congress, if such corporation is an instrumentality of the United States; or (C) the obligations of the United States or its possessions. Every person owning any of the obligations enumerated in clause (A), (B), or (C) shall, in the return required by this title, submit a statement showing the number and amount of such obligations owned by him and the income received therefrom, in such form and with such information as the Commissioner may require. In the case of obligations of the United States issued after September 1, 1917 (other than postal savings certificates of deposit) and in the case of obligations of a corporation organized under Act of Congress, the interest shall be exempt only if and to the extent provided in the respective Acts authorizing the issue thereof as amended and supplemented, and shall be excluded from gross income only if and to the extent it is wholly exempt from the taxes imposed by this title;

(5) COMPENSATION FOR INJURIES OR SICKNESS.—Amounts received, through accident or health insurance or under workmen's compensation acts, as compensation for personal injuries or sickness, plus the amount of any damages received whether by suit or agreement on account of such injuries or sickness;

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(d) SPECIAL CLASSES OF CORPORATIONS.—In the case of the following corporations the tax shall be an amount equal to 16½ per centum of the special class net income, regardless of the amount thereof:

(1) Banks, as defined in section 104.

(2) Corporations organized under the China Trade Act, 1922.

(3) Corporations which, by reason of deriving a large portion of their gross income from sources within a possession of the United States, are entitled to the benefits of section 251.

(e) FOREIGN CORPORATIONS.—

(1) In the case of a foreign corporation engaged in trade or business within the United States or having an office or place of business therein, the tax shall be an amount equal to 19 per centum of the special class net income, regardless of the amount thereof.

(2) In the case of a foreign corporation not engaged in trade or business within the United States and not having an office or place of business therein, the tax shall be as provided in section 231 (a).

(f) INSURANCE COMPANIES.—In the case of insurance companies, the tax shall be as provided in Supplement G.

(g) MUTUAL INVESTMENT COMPANIES.—In the case of mutual investment companies, as defined in Supplement Q, the tax shall be as provided in such Supplement.

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(i) TAX ON PERSONAL HOLDING COMPANIES.—For surtax on personal holding companies, see Title IA.

(j) IMPROPER ACCUMULATION OF SURPLUS.—For surtax on corporations which accumulate surplus to avoid surtax on shareholders, see section 102.

SEC. 15. CORPORATE TAXES EFFECTIVE FOR TWO TAXABLE YEARS.

The taxes imposed by section 13, section 14 (except subsection (e) (2)), Supplement G, or Supplement Q, of this Act, or by section 13, section 14, or Supplement G of the Revenue Act of 1936, shall not apply to any taxable year beginning after December 31, 1939.

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(d) SPECIAL CLASSES OF CORPORATIONS.—In the case of the following corporations the tax shall be an amount equal to $16\frac{1}{2}$ per centum of the special class net income, regardless of the amount thereof:

(1) Banks, as defined in section 104.

(2) Corporations organized under the China Trade Act, 1922, (42 Stat. 849 (U. S. C., Title 15, c. 4).)

(3) Corporations which, by reason of deriving a large portion of their gross income from sources within a possession of the United States, are entitled to the benefits of section 251.

(e) FOREIGN CORPORATIONS.—

(1) In the case of a foreign corporation engaged in trade or business within the United States or having an office or place of business therein, the tax shall be an amount equal to 19 per centum of the special class net income, regardless of the amount thereof.

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For corporations exempt from taxation under this chapter, see section 101.

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*Begun and held at the City of Washington on
Wednesday, January 6, 1954.*

An Act

To revise the internal revenue laws of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) CITATION.—

(1) The provisions of this Act set forth under the heading "Internal Revenue Title" may be cited as the "Internal Revenue Code of 1954".

(2) The Internal Revenue Code enacted on February 10, 1939, as amended, may be cited as the "Internal Revenue Code of 1939".

(b) PUBLICATION.—This Act shall be published as volume 68A of the United States Statutes at Large, with a comprehensive table of contents and an appendix ; but without an index or marginal references. The date of enactment, bill number, public law number, and chapter number, shall be printed as a headnote.

(c) CROSS REFERENCE.—For saving provisions, effective date provisions, and other related provisions, see chapter 80 (sec. 7801 and following) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

(d) ENACTMENT OF INTERNAL REVENUE TITLE INTO LAW.—The Internal Revenue Title referred to in subsection (a)(1) is as follows:

Subchapter B—Computation of Taxable Income

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Sec. 61. Gross income defined.

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SEC. 61. GROSS INCOME DEFINED.

(a) **GENERAL DEFINITION.**—Except as otherwise provided in this subtitle, gross income means all income from whatever source derived, including (but not limited to) the following items:

- (1) Compensation for services, including fees, commissions, and similar items;
- (2) Gross income derived from business;
- (3) Gains derived from dealings in property;
- (4) Interest;
- (5) Rents;
- (6) Royalties;
- (7) Dividends;
- (8) Alimony and separate maintenance payments;
- (9) Annuities;
- (10) Income from life insurance and endowment contracts;
- (11) Pensions;
- (12) Income from discharge of indebtedness;
- (13) Distributive share of partnership gross income;
- (14) Income in respect of a decedent; and
- (15) Income from an interest in an estate or trust.

(b) **CROSS REFERENCES.**—

For items specifically included in gross income, see part II (sec. 71 and following). For items specifically excluded from gross income, see part III (sec. 101 and following).

SEC. 62. ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME DEFINED.

For purposes of this subtitle, the term "adjusted gross income" means, in the case of an individual, gross income minus the following deductions:

(1) **TRADE AND BUSINESS DEDUCTIONS.**—The deductions allowed by this chapter (other than by part VII of this subchapter) which are attributable to a trade or business carried on by the taxpayer,