

1 **Senate Bill No. 327**

2 (By Senators Kessler (Mr. President) and M. Hall,

3 By Request of the Executive)

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5 [Introduced January 10, 2014; referred to the Committee on

6 Finance.]

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10 A BILL to amend and reenact §11-24-3 of the Code of West Virginia,

11 1931, as amended, relating to updating the meaning of “federal

12 adjusted gross income” and certain other terms used in the

13 West Virginia Corporation Net Income Tax Act; and specifying

14 effective dates.

15 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

16 That §11-24-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,

17 be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

18 **ARTICLE 24. CORPORATION NET INCOME TAX.**

19 **§11-24-3. Meaning of terms; general rule.**

20 (a) Any term used in this article has the same meaning as when

21 used in a comparable context in the laws of the United States

22 relating to federal income taxes, unless a different meaning is

1 clearly required by the context or by definition in this article.
2 Any reference in this article to the laws of the United States
3 means the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as
4 amended, and any other provisions of the laws of the United States
5 that relate to the determination of income for federal income tax
6 purposes. All amendments made to the laws of the United States
7 after ~~January 1, 2012~~ December 31, 2012, but prior to ~~January 3,~~
8 ~~2013,~~ January 1, 2014, shall be given effect in determining the
9 taxes imposed by this article to the same extent those changes are
10 allowed for federal income tax purposes, whether the changes are
11 retroactive or prospective, but no amendment to the laws of the
12 United States made on or after ~~January 3, 2013,~~ January 1, 2014,
13 shall be given any effect.

14 (b) The term "Internal Revenue Code of 1986" means the
15 Internal Revenue Code of the United States enacted by the federal
16 Tax Reform Act of 1986 and includes the provisions of law formerly
17 known as the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, and in
18 effect when the federal Tax Reform Act of 1986 was enacted that
19 were not amended or repealed by the federal Tax Reform Act of 1986.
20 Except when inappropriate, any reference in any law, executive
21 order or other document:

22 (1) To the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 includes a reference

1 to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; and

2 (2) To the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 includes a reference
3 to the provisions of law formerly known as the Internal Revenue
4 Code of 1954.

5 (c) Effective date. -- The amendments to this section enacted
6 in the year ~~2013~~ 2014 are retroactive to the extent allowable under
7 federal income tax law. With respect to taxable years that began
8 prior to January 1, ~~2014~~ 2015, the law in effect for each of those
9 years shall be fully preserved as to that year, except as provided
10 in this section.

(NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to update the meaning of "federal taxable income" and certain other terms in the West Virginia Corporation Net Income Tax Act by bringing them into conformity with their meaning for Internal Revenue Code's definitions.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from the present law, and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.)