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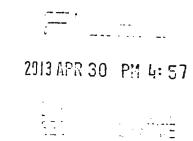
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House Bill No. 2516

(By Delegate(s) Mr. Speaker (Mr. Thompson) and Armstead) [By Request of the Executive]

Passed April 12, 2013

In effect from passage.



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(BY DELEGATE(S) MR. SPEAKER (MR. THOMPSON)

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[Passed April 12, 2013; in effect from passage.]

AN ACT to amend and reenact §11-21-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating to updating the meaning of federal adjusted gross income and certain other terms used in the West Virginia Personal Income Tax Act so the definitions conform with the Internal Revenue Code's definitions; and specifying effective dates.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That §11-21-9 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

#### ARTICLE 21. PERSONAL INCOME TAX.

#### §11-21-9. Meaning of terms.

- 1 (a) Any term used in this article has the same meaning as when
- 2 used in a comparable context in the laws of the United States
- 3 relating to income taxes, unless a different meaning is clearly
- 4 required. Any reference in this article to the laws of the United
- 5 States means the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of
- 6 1986, as amended, and any other provisions of the laws of the
- 7 United States that relate to the determination of income for
- 8 federal income tax purposes. All amendments made to the laws
- 9 of the United States after January 1, 2012, but prior to January
- 10 3, 2013, shall be given effect in determining the taxes imposed
- 11 by this article to the same extent those changes are allowed for
- 12 federal income tax purposes, whether the changes are retroactive
- 13 or prospective, but no amendment to the laws of the United
- 14 States made on or after January 3, 2013, shall be given any
- 15 effect.
- 16 (b) Medical savings accounts. The term "taxable trust" does
- 17 not include a medical savings account established pursuant to
- 18 section twenty, article fifteen, chapter thirty-three of this code or
- 19 section fifteen, article sixteen of said chapter. Employer contri-
- 20 butions to a medical savings account established pursuant to said
- 21 sections are not wages for purposes of withholding under section
- 22 seventy-one of this article.
- 23 (c) Surtax. The term "surtax" means the twenty percent
- 24 additional tax imposed on taxable withdrawals from a medical
- 25 savings account under section twenty, article fifteen, chapter
- 26 thirty-three of this code and the twenty percent additional tax
- 27 imposed on taxable withdrawals from a medical savings account
- 28 under section fifteen, article sixteen of said chapter which are
- 29 collected by the Tax Commissioner as tax collected under this
- 30 article.

- 31 (d) Effective date. The amendments to this section 32 enacted in the year 2013 are retroactive to the extent allowable 33 under federal income tax law. With respect to taxable years that 34 began prior to January 1, 2014, the law in effect for each of those 35 years shall be fully preserved as to that year, except as provided 36 in this section.
- 37 (e) For purposes of the refundable credit allowed to a low 38 income senior citizen for property tax paid on his or her home-39 stead in this state, the term "laws of the United States" as used 40 in subsection (a) of this section means and includes the term 41 "low income" as defined in subsection (b), section twenty-one of this article and as reflected in the poverty guidelines updated 42 43 periodically in the federal register by the U.S. Department of 44 Health and Human Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. 45 §9902(2).

That Joint Committee on Enrolled	Bills hereby certifies that the
foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.	
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