# Senate Bill 180

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#### **SUMMARY**

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Requires corporation that files state return to include certain entities in consolidated state tax return if corporation owns at least 80 percent of stock of entity.

Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2010.

### A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to consolidated state tax returns; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 314.260, 314.712, 317.010 and 317.710.

## Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

**SECTION 1.** ORS 317.710 is amended to read:

- 317.710. (1) A corporation shall make a return with respect to the tax imposed by this chapter as provided in this section.
- (2) If the corporation is a member of an affiliated group of corporations making a consolidated federal return, it shall file a return and determine its Oregon taxable income as provided in ORS 317.715. The corporation's tax liability shall be joint and several with any other corporation that is included in a consolidated state return with the corporation under subsection (5) of this section.
- (3) If the corporation makes a separate return for federal income tax purposes, it shall file a separate return under this chapter. The corporation shall determine its Oregon taxable income and tax liability separately from any other corporation.
- (4) For purposes of subsection (3) of this section, if the corporation is not subject to taxation under the Internal Revenue Code a return for federal income tax purposes includes any form of return required to be made in lieu of an income tax return under the Internal Revenue Code or regulations thereunder.
- (5)(a) If two or more corporations subject to taxation under this chapter are members of the same affiliated group making a consolidated federal return and are members of the same unitary group, they shall file a consolidated state return. The Department of Revenue shall prescribe by rule the method by which a consolidated state return shall be filed.
- (b) If any corporation that is a member of an affiliated group is permitted or required to determine its Oregon taxable income on a separate basis under ORS 314.670, or if any corporation is permitted or required by statute or rule to use different apportionment factors than a corporation with which it is affiliated, the corporation shall not be included in a consolidated state return under paragraph (a) of this subsection.
- (c) Whenever two or more corporations are required to file a consolidated state return under paragraph (a) of this subsection, any reference in this chapter to a corporation for purposes of deriving Oregon taxable income shall be treated as a reference to all corporations that are included

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- (6) Notwithstanding subsections (3) to (5) of this section, if a corporation files a state return, each entity that would form an affiliated group with the corporation as provided in section 1504 of the Internal Revenue Code, if not for the exceptions in section 1504(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall be included in the corporation's consolidated state return. If the corporation is subject to apportionment under ORS 314.605 to 314.675, the income of each entity shall be included in the apportionment calculation. This subsection applies only to:
- (a) A regulated investment company, as defined in section 851 of the Internal Revenue Code.
  - (b) A real estate investment trust, as defined in section 856 of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (c) A real estate mortgage investment conduit, as defined in section 860D of the Internal Revenue Code.
  - (d) A management company that is registered under 15 U.S.C. 80a-1 et seq.
- [(6)] (7) If so directed by the department, by rule or instructions on the state tax return form, every corporation required to make a return under this chapter shall also file with the return a true copy of the corporation's federal income tax return for the same taxable year. For purposes of this subsection, the corporation's federal income tax return includes a consolidated federal return for an affiliated group of which the corporation is a member. The department may, by rule or instructions, permit a corporation to submit specified excerpts from its federal return in lieu of submitting a copy of the entire federal return. The federal return or any part thereof required to be filed with the state return is incorporated in and shall be a part of the state return.
- [(7)] (8) Each foreign or alien insurer and each domestic insurer owned and controlled, directly or indirectly, by one or more foreign insurers shall determine its Oregon taxable income under ORS 317.650 to 317.665 and make a return of the tax imposed by this chapter on a separate basis. An interinsurance and reciprocal exchange and its attorney in fact with respect to its attorney in fact net income as a corporate attorney in fact acting as attorney in compliance with ORS 731.458, 731.462, 731.466 and 731.470 for the reciprocal or interinsurance exchange may file a consolidated return under the circumstances in the manner and subject to the rules adopted by the department.
- **SECTION 2.** ORS 317.010, as amended by section 14, chapter 45, Oregon Laws 2008, is amended to read:
  - 317.010. As used in this chapter, unless the context requires otherwise:
- (1) "Centrally assessed corporation" means every corporation the property of which is assessed by the Department of Revenue under ORS 308.505 to 308.665.
  - (2) "Department" means the Department of Revenue.
- (3)(a) "Consolidated federal return" means the return permitted or required to be filed by a group of affiliated corporations under section 1501 of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (b) "Consolidated state return" means the return required to be filed under ORS 317.710 (5) or (6).
- (4) "Doing business" means any transaction or transactions in the course of its activities conducted within the state by a national banking association, or any other corporation; provided, however, that a foreign corporation whose activities in this state are confined to purchases of personal property, and the storage thereof incident to shipment outside the state, shall not be deemed to be doing business unless such foreign corporation is an affiliate of another foreign or domestic corporation which is doing business in Oregon. Whether or not corporations are affiliated shall be determined as provided in section 1504 of the Internal Revenue Code.

- (5) "Excise tax" means a tax measured by or according to net income imposed upon national banking associations, all other banks, and financial, centrally assessed, mercantile, manufacturing and business corporations for the privilege of carrying on or doing business in this state.
- (6) "Financial institution" or "financial corporation" means a bank or trust company organized under ORS chapter 707, national banking association or production credit association organized under federal statute, building and loan association, savings and loan association, mutual savings bank, and any other corporation whose principal business is in direct competition with national and state banks.
- (7) "Internal Revenue Code," except where the Legislative Assembly has provided otherwise, refers to the laws of the United States or to the Internal Revenue Code as they are amended and in effect:
  - (a) On December 31, 2007; or

- (b) If related to the definition of taxable income, as applicable to the tax year of the taxpayer.
- (8) "Oregon taxable income" means taxable income, less the deduction allowed under ORS 317.476, except as otherwise provided with respect to insurers in subsection (11) of this section and ORS 317.650 to 317.665.
- (9) "Oregon net loss" means taxable loss, except as otherwise provided with respect to insurers in subsection (11) of this section and ORS 317.650 to 317.665.
- (10) "Taxable income or loss" means the taxable income or loss determined, or in the case of a corporation for which no federal taxable income or loss is determined, as would be determined, under chapter 1, Subtitle A of the Internal Revenue Code and any other laws of the United States relating to the determination of taxable income or loss of corporate taxpayers, with the additions, subtractions, adjustments and other modifications as are specifically prescribed by this chapter except that in determining taxable income or loss for any year, no deduction under ORS 317.476 or 317.478 and section 45b, chapter 293, Oregon Laws 1987, shall be allowed. If the corporation is a corporation to which ORS 314.280 or 314.605 to 314.675 (requiring or permitting apportionment of income from transactions or activities carried on both within and without the state) applies, to derive taxable income or loss, the following shall occur:
- (a) From the amount otherwise determined under this subsection, subtract nonbusiness income, or add nonbusiness loss, whichever is applicable.
- (b) Multiply the amount determined under paragraph (a) of this subsection by the Oregon apportionment percentage defined under ORS 314.280, 314.650 or 314.670, whichever is applicable. The resulting product shall be Oregon apportioned income or loss.
- (c) To the amount determined as Oregon apportioned income or loss under paragraph (b) of this subsection, add nonbusiness income allocable entirely to Oregon under ORS 314.280 or 314.625 to 314.645, or subtract nonbusiness loss allocable entirely to Oregon under ORS 314.280 or 314.625 to 314.645. The resulting figure is "taxable income or loss" for those corporations carrying on taxable transactions or activities both within and without Oregon.
- (11) As used in ORS 317.122 and 317.650 to 317.665, "insurer" means any domestic, foreign or alien insurer as defined in ORS 731.082 and any interinsurance and reciprocal exchange and its attorney in fact with respect to its attorney in fact net income as a corporate attorney in fact acting as attorney in compliance with ORS 731.458, 731.462, 731.466 and 731.470 for the reciprocal or interinsurance exchange. However, "insurer" does not include title insurers or health care service contractors operating pursuant to ORS 750.005 to 750.095.

SECTION 3. ORS 314.260 is amended to read:

- 314.260. (1)(a) **Except as provided in ORS 317.710** (6), an entity described in section 860D of the Internal Revenue Code (a real estate mortgage investment conduit or REMIC) is not subject to a tax under ORS chapter 316, 317 or 318 (and may not be treated as a corporation, partnership or trust for purposes of ORS chapter 316, 317 or 318).
- (b) If a REMIC engages in a prohibited transaction as defined in section 860F(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, the REMIC shall be subject to a tax equal to six and six-tenths percent of the net income derived from the prohibited transaction. The tax imposed under this paragraph shall be assessed and collected under this chapter and ORS chapter 305 and shall be credited to the General Fund to be made available for general governmental expenses.
- (2) The income of any REMIC shall be taxable to the holders of the interests in the REMIC under ORS chapter 316, 317 or 318, whichever is applicable.
- (3) Taxable income or loss with respect to income received as the holder of any interest in a REMIC shall be determined under sections 860A to 860G of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (4) To determine the portion of the income of a REMIC that is taxable to a nonresident holder of an interest in the REMIC, there shall be included only that part derived from or connected with sources in this state, as such part is determined under rules adopted by the Department of Revenue in accordance with the general rules in ORS 316.352 (1987 Replacement Part).

#### **SECTION 4.** ORS 314.712 is amended to read:

- 314.712. (1) Except as provided in ORS 314.722, [or] 314.723[,] or 317.710 (6), a partnership as such is not subject to the tax imposed by ORS chapter 316, 317 or 318. Partnership income shall be computed pursuant to section 703 of the Internal Revenue Code, with the modifications, additions and subtractions provided in this chapter and ORS chapter 316. Persons carrying on business as partners are liable for the tax imposed by ORS chapter 316, 317 or 318 on their distributive shares of partnership income only in their separate or individual capacities.
- (2) If a partner engages in a transaction with a partnership other than in the partner's capacity as a member of the partnership, the transaction shall be treated in the manner described in section 707 of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (3) If a partnership is an electing large partnership under section 775 of the Internal Revenue Code, the modifications of law applicable to an electing large partnership for federal tax purposes are applicable to the electing large partnership for purposes of the tax imposed by this chapter or ORS chapter 316, 317 or 318.
- SECTION 5. The amendments to ORS 314.260, 314.712, 317.010 and 317.710 by sections 1 to 4 of this 2009 Act apply to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2010.