SB 851 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires addition to Federal Taxable Income (FTI) amounts deducted as Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income (GILTI). Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2018. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Relationship between GILTI and other similar parts of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA), such as the repatriation transition tax.
- Potential double deduction if GILTI treated similar to subpart F income for state taxation purposes
- Policy solutions and guidance from other states

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income (GILTI) is a newly defined category of income that was created as part of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA). GILTI is an approximation of a taxpayer's portion of amounts earned outside of US borders, within controlled-foreign-corporations (CFCs), and above certain normal return parameters. Previously, corporations could defer repatriating income to the US and thus avoided US tax on that income until repatriation. Under the TCJA and GILTI provisions, this income is now subject to US taxation on an annual basis. For federal taxation purposes, GILTI is included as a new category of gross income. A corresponding deduction is also provided at the federal level, the intention of which is to reduce the effective tax rate on GILTI.