

Bill Analysis

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SUBJECT

Code Maintenance

SUMMARY

This bill would make numerous technical, nonsubstantive changes as a matter of code maintenance to various California codes, including to the Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC).

This analysis is limited to the provisions of the R&TC administered by the department.

RECOMMENDATION

No position

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

Not applicable.

REASON FOR THE BILL

The reason for this bill is to prevent confusion in applying state law by amending terminology for clarification, amending provisions to reflect the current style for drafting legislation, and eliminating obsolete language.

ANALYSIS

This bill would amend and renumber the heading of Article 25 of the Administration of Franchise and Income Tax Law of the R&TC as "Article 26. Schools Not Prisons Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund" to eliminate duplicated references.

Effective/Operative Date

Assuming enactment by September 30, 2020, this bill would become effective and operative on January 1, 2021.

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Federal/State Law

Federal Law

Because this bill only makes nonsubstantive technical changes as a matter of maintenance of California's codes, a review of federal income tax law would not be relevant.

State Law

As sections of state law are amended, references to those sections in other parts of the law are sometimes not updated to reflect the amendment. In addition, provisions enacted in earlier years may not reflect the current legislative style for drafting legislation.

Incorrect nomenclature, cross-references, unclear terminology, and language that is inconsistent with the current style for drafting legislation can create confusion for taxpayers and the department when applying state law.

Implementation Considerations

Implementing this bill would not significantly impact the department.

Technical Considerations

None noted.

Policy Concerns

None noted.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

None noted.

PROGRAM BACKGROUND

None noted.

FISCAL IMPACT

This bill would not impact the department's costs.

ECONOMIC IMPACT

Revenue Estimate

This bill as introduced February 20, 2020, would not impact state income or franchise tax revenue.

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This analysis does not account for changes in employment, personal income, or gross state product that could result from this bill or for the net final payment method of accrual.

LEGAL IMPACT

None noted.

APPOINTMENTS

None noted.

SUPPORT/OPPOSITION

To be determined.

ARGUMENTS

To be determined.

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