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# **About the Washington Tax Brief**

# Webcast Series to Update You On:

The regulatory and political environment for tax issues

- AICPA's advocacy efforts to:
  - protect your professional interests
  - support sound tax policy
  - promote effective tax administration
- Open to All AICPA Members
- Open to All State Society Staff and Committee Members



# **Today's Presenters**



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### Today's Agenda

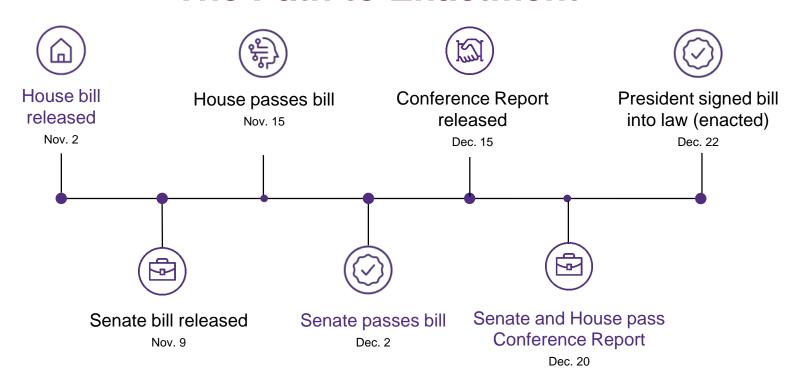
- Tax Reform How We Got Here and Where We Go Next
- Key Issues for 2018 Filing Season
- State Tax Implications of Federal Tax Reform
- Tax Reform and Financial Reporting Issues
- Emerging Issues
- Q & A



# Tax Reform -How We Got Here



#### The Path to Enactment



That's a total of 50 days from the House release to Trump's signature.

#### **AICPA Activities on Tax Reform**

- Submitted 5 comment letters to Congress during 50 day "Sprint to Passage"
- Provided extensive recommendations
- Testified on important issues
- Held meetings and conversations with staff and Members of Congress
- Built coalitions with similar organizations
- Partnered with state CPA societies



# **AICPA Tax Reform Advocacy Successes**

- Expanded cash method
- Retained business interest expense deduction for small businesses (under \$25 million)
- Simplified inventory rules for small businesses
- Expanded UNICAP rules small business exception
- Preserved current deferred compensation rules
- Simplified kiddie tax



# **AICPA Tax Reform Advocacy Successes**

- Removed computer/peripheral equipment from listed property
- Provided consideration of inflation index
- Allowed nonresident aliens as beneficiaries of ESBTs
- > Repealed:
  - Pease phase-out of itemized deductions,
  - Technical terminations rule for partnerships,
  - Corporate AMT

# Tax Reform – Where We Go Next



# **Current AICPA Tax Reform Advocacy Efforts**

- Implementation of the new law
  - ▶ Code sections revised or added 573
  - Identifying possible technical corrections
  - Identifying additional legislative proposals
  - Identifying and prioritizing needed Treasury/IRS guidance
- Working with state CPA societies on state tax implications and conformity issues with the federal rules and changes



### **IRS New Law Releases To Date**

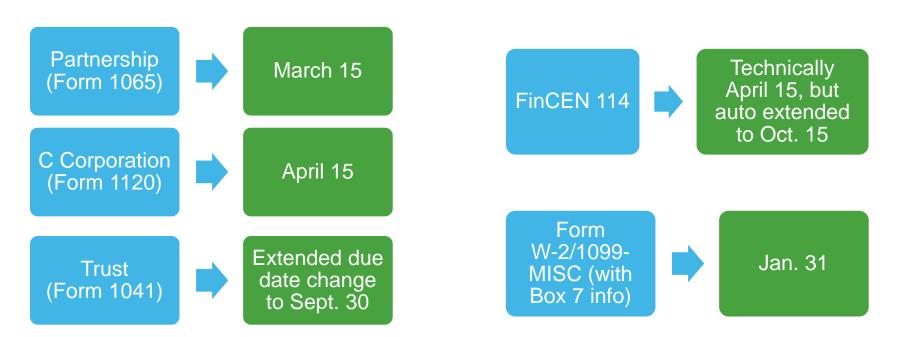
- New withholding tables issued (<u>Notice 1036</u>) use by February 15, 2018
- IR-2017-210 on deductibility of prepaid property taxes
- Notice 2018-07 and Notice 2018-13 on calculation of foreign deferred earnings
- Notice 2018-08 on withholding on sales of publicly traded partnership interests by foreign owners
- IRS FAQ clarified that the last date to recharacterize a Roth conversion under IRC section 408A is Oct. 15, 2018
- FILING SEASON STARTS JANUARY 29, 2018



Key Issues for 2018 Filing Season



# **Due Date Changes**



Note: For 2018, April 15 deadlines are extended to April 17

# Expired Provisions (as of Dec. 31, 2016)

- Exclusion of principal residence indebtedness income
- Deduction of mortgage insurance premiums as interest
- Above the line deduction for tuition and fees
- Energy tax incentives



## **ACA Update**

#### **IRS ACA website for Tax Pros**

"For the upcoming 2018 filing season, the IRS will not accept electronically filed tax returns where the taxpayer does not address the health coverage requirements of ACA."

#### **Due date** of 2017 Forms 1095-B and 1095-C

- Notice 2018-06 (12/22/17)
  - For 2017 forms normally due to taxpayers by 1/31/18, automatic extension granted to 3/2/18.
  - Due date to IRS remains 2/28/18 (4/2/18 if electronically)
    - If need more time to IRS, use <u>Form 8809</u> to request it



#### Items from New Law to Affect 2017 (Current Filing season)



# Items from New Law to Affect 2017 Returns (Current Filing Season)

Transition (aka Repatriation) tax on deferred foreign earnings - Notice 2018-07 and Notice 2018-13 issued **Deductibility** of Prepaid 2018 Real Estate Taxes **Estimated Tax Calculations** 

### Proposed Changes Not Included in Final Law



Additional standard deduction for elderly and blind retained

\$250 above-the-line teacher deduction retained

Exclusion for employer-provided dependent care assistance retained

Exclusion for adoption assistance programs retained

Sec. 121 exclusion of gain on sale of principal residence rules unchanged

Required use of FIFO to determine basis of stock dispositions not included

Charitable driving remains at 14 cents/mile

Consolidation and modification of education provisions not included

Plug-in electric vehicle credit retained

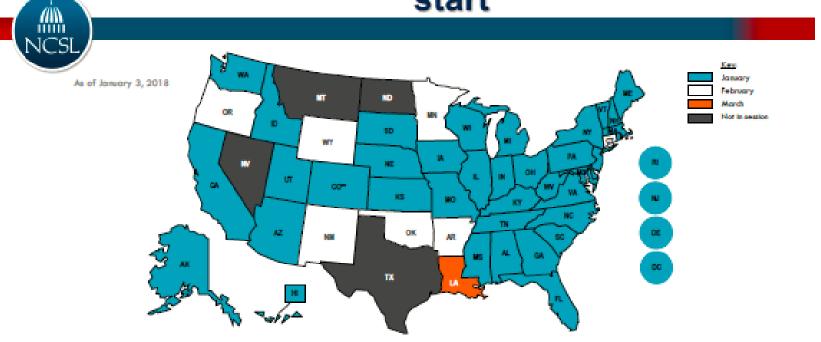
Work Opportunity Tax Credit retained (but still set to expire after 2019)

Recovery period for real property stays at 27.5 and 39 years (but ADS period for residential rental property changed from 40 to 30 years.)

State Tax Implications of Federal Tax Reform



# 2018 state regular legislative sessions: start

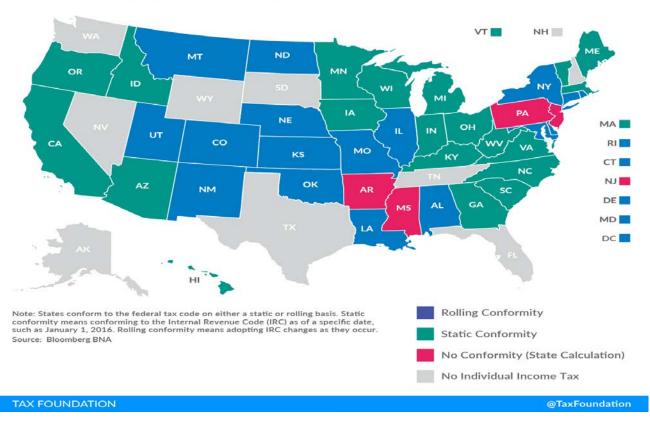


### **Impacts**

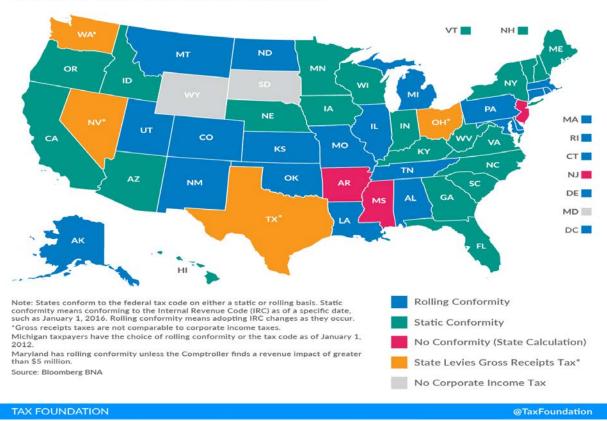
- State Budgets
- State Revenues
- Conformity to Federal Rules



### Does Your State's Individual Income Tax Code Conform With the Federal Tax Code?



### Does Your State's Corporate Income Tax Code Conform With the Federal Tax Code?



#### Personal Income Tax: Starting Points



#### MAP LEGEND

- Federal Adjusted Gross Income
- Federal Taxable Income
- State Gross Income
- No Personal Income Tax

\*VT- Vermont state income tax calculations will begin at federal AGI rather than federal taxable income starting in tax year 2018.

Source: Federation of Tax Administrators as of January 2017

Federal deduction for state taxes limited to \$10,000

- Law prohibited state income tax prepayments
- IRS Notice (<u>IR-2017-210</u>) on assessed prepaid property taxes
- Schumer letter to IRS to reverse position



#### States' responses

- Employer-paid payroll taxes (fed. tax deductible)
- State income tax credit for charitable contributions to state public purpose funds (fed. tax deductible)
- Possible legal challenges



Decouple on provisions reducing state revenue

- Bonus depreciation
- Pass-through deduction
- Standard deduction
  - 12 states conform, some FTI starting point



Conform on provisions raising state revenue

- Personal exemption eliminated
  - 10 states currently couple state to federal
- Alternative inflation measure (fed. chained CPI)
- NOL changes
  - 16 states add back fed. NOL.
- Deemed repatriation
  - Depends on current state treatment of foreign earnings



Conform on provisions raising state revenue

- Deductions eliminated or modified
  - Moving expenses
  - Mortgage interest
  - Casualty loss
  - Employee business expenses
  - Investment advisory fees
  - Interest expense limitation for businesses



Other impacts on the states

- ACA individual mandate penalty to \$0 in 2019
  - May increase state healthcare spending
- Estate tax federal exclusion \$11.2 million
  - Estate tax in12 states and DC
  - If conform, reduces state revenue
- 529 Plans start to allow K-12 private school
  - May increase costs to states



Other impacts on the states

- Income inclusion for contributions to capital by government entities
  - State incentives now federal taxable income
- Loss of tax exemption for refunding bonds
- NCSL State Impact of Tax Reform
- <u>Tax Foundation Center for State Tax Policy</u>
- AICPA is a resource to the state CPA societies



Tax Reform and Financial Reporting Issues



# **Financial Reporting**

- ASC 740 applies
- Effects to be recognized in the quarter that includes December 22, 2017
- Effect on taxes currently payable/refundable for current reporting year:
  - Recorded after effective dates prescribed in statutes
  - Reflected in annual estimated tax rate (AETR) beginning in first interim period that includes enactment date



# **Financial Reporting**

- Effect on taxes payable/refundable for a prior year are recognized as of the enactment date as tax expense (benefit) for current year (as discrete item, not part of AETR)
- Effect on deferred tax liabilities or assets, and any related valuation allowance, is recorded to continuing operations as of the enactment date as tax expense (benefit) for current year (as discrete item, not part of AETR)



# **Financial Reporting**

- FASB to address:
  - Reclassification from accumulated OCI to retained earnings for stranded tax effects resulting from the Act
  - Transition disclosures
- Accounting for the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act
  - FASB considering whether to address five implementation issues -
- Proposed Accounting Standards Update issued 1/18/18



# **SEC Reporting**

- SEC Staff Accounting Bulletin 118
- Addresses situations where the accounting under ASC 740 is incomplete for certain tax effects of the Act upon issuance of the financial statements
- Per FASB, may also be applied by private companies and not-for-profits

# **Emerging Issues**





IRS Security Changes



Information Reporting



Crowdfunding/
Sharing Economy



Virtual Currency



Partnership Audit Regulations



**Disaster Relief** 

# **Emerging Issues**



# **Upcoming AICPA Webcasts/Courses**

# aicpa.org/taxreform

- Getting to the Heart of Tax Reform: Individual Tax and Estate Planning Strategies
  - Webcast -- January 31<sup>st</sup> @ 1PM ET (4 CPE credits)
  - Self-Study Online (5 CPE credits)
- Tax Reform's Impact on Corporate and Pass-Through Entities
  - Video Webcast -- January 30<sup>th</sup> @ 1PM ET (4 CPE credits)
  - Self-Study Online (5.5 CPE credits)
- Tax Reform's Impact on International Business
  - Webcast January 25<sup>th</sup> @ 1PM ET (4 CPE credits)
  - Self-Study Online (5.5 CPE credits)
- Live group training also available

# **AICPA Tax Reform Resource Center**

The latest news, advocacy, exclusive videos, resources and learning in one place.



# Resources: Tax Season Resources for CPAs

- Annual Tax Compliance Kit
  - Engagement letters
  - Organizers
  - Checklists
  - Practice guides
- Additional Resources
- Updates
- News

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#### Tax Season Resources for CPAs

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Key Tax Season Resources	Tax issues for 2018 tax season	Practice Management	IRS Practice & Procedure		News & Updates			Related Resources	
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comply with tax la	Annual Tax Compliance Kit - Comprehensive toolkit to help practitioners comply with tax laws; contains engagement letters, organizers, checklists, and practice guides.						х		



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