

(a) [amending this section] shall apply to obligations issued after the date of the enactment of this Act [Mar. 9, 2002].”

Amendment by Pub. L. 107-110 effective Jan. 8, 2002, except with respect to certain noncompetitive programs and competitive programs, see section 5 of Pub. L. 107-110, set out as an Effective Date note under section 6301 of Title 20, Education.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 105-206 effective, except as otherwise provided, as if included in the provisions of the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997, Pub. L. 105-34, to which such amendment relates, see section 6024 of Pub. L. 105-206, set out as a note under section 1 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 105-34, title II, §226(c), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 824, provided that: “The amendments made by this section [enacting this section and renumbering section 1397D as section 1397F of this title] shall apply to obligations issued after December 31, 1997.”

### PART V—REGULATIONS

Sec.

1397F. Regulations.

#### AMENDMENTS

1997—Pub. L. 105-34, title II, §226(a), (b)(2), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 820, 824, redesignated part IV of this subchapter as this part and item 1397D as 1397F.

#### § 1397F. Regulations

The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of parts II and III, including—

- (1) regulations limiting the benefit of parts II and III in circumstances where such benefits, in combination with benefits provided under other Federal programs, would result in an activity being 100 percent or more subsidized by the Federal Government,
- (2) regulations preventing abuse of the provisions of parts II and III, and
- (3) regulations dealing with inadvertent failures of entities to be enterprise zone businesses.

(Added Pub. L. 103-66, title XIII, §13301(a), Aug. 10, 1993, 107 Stat. 555, §1397D; renumbered §1397F, Pub. L. 105-34, title II, §226(a), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 820; amended Pub. L. 105-206, title VI, §6004(g)(1), July 22, 1998, 112 Stat. 796.)

#### AMENDMENTS

1998—Pub. L. 105-206 amended directory language of Pub. L. 105-34, §226(a). See 1997 Amendment note below.

1997—Pub. L. 105-34, §226(a), as amended by Pub. L. 105-206, renumbered section 1397D of this title as this section.

### Subchapter V—Title 11 Cases

Sec.

1398. Rules relating to individuals’ title 11 cases.  
1399. No separate taxable entities for partnerships, corporations, etc.

#### AMENDMENTS

1980—Pub. L. 96-589, §3(a)(1), Dec. 24, 1980, 94 Stat. 3397, added subchapter V heading “Title 11 Cases” and items 1398 and 1399.

#### § 1398. Rules relating to individuals’ title 11 cases

##### (a) Cases to which section applies

Except as provided in subsection (b), this section shall apply to any case under chapter 7 (re-

lating to liquidations) or chapter 11 (relating to reorganizations) of title 11 of the United States Code in which the debtor is an individual.

##### (b) Exceptions where case is dismissed, etc.

###### (1) Section does not apply where case is dismissed

This section shall not apply if the case under chapter 7 or 11 of title 11 of the United States Code is dismissed.

###### (2) Section does not apply at partnership level

For purposes of subsection (a), a partnership shall not be treated as an individual, but the interest in a partnership of a debtor who is an individual shall be taken into account under this section in the same manner as any other interest of the debtor.

##### (c) Computation and payment of tax; basic standard deduction

###### (1) Computation and payment of tax

Except as otherwise provided in this section, the taxable income of the estate shall be computed in the same manner as for an individual. The tax shall be computed on such taxable income and shall be paid by the trustee.

###### (2) Tax rates

The tax on the taxable income of the estate shall be determined under subsection (d) of section 1.

###### (3) Basic standard deduction

In the case of an estate which does not itemize deductions, the basic standard deduction for the estate for the taxable year shall be the same as for a married individual filing a separate return for such year.

##### (d) Taxable year of debtors

###### (1) General rule

Except as provided in paragraph (2), the taxable year of the debtor shall be determined without regard to the case under title 11 of the United States Code to which this section applies.

###### (2) Election to terminate debtor’s year when case commences

###### (A) In general

Notwithstanding section 442, the debtor may (without the approval of the Secretary) elect to treat the debtor’s taxable year which includes the commencement date as 2 taxable years—

- (i) the first of which ends on the day before the commencement date, and
- (ii) the second of which begins on the commencement date.

###### (B) Spouse may join in election

In the case of a married individual (within the meaning of section 7703), the spouse may elect to have the debtor’s election under subparagraph (A) also apply to the spouse, but only if the debtor and the spouse file a joint return for the taxable year referred to in subparagraph (A)(i).

###### (C) No election where debtor has no assets

No election may be made under subparagraph (A) by a debtor who has no assets