

Amendment by section 13001(b)(2)(B) of Pub. L. 115-97 applicable to taxable years beginning after Dec. 31, 2017, see section 13001(c)(1) of Pub. L. 115-97, set out as a note under section 11 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1986 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 99-514 applicable to taxable years beginning after Dec. 31, 1986, with certain exceptions and qualifications, see section 701(f) of Pub. L. 99-514, set out as an Effective Date note under section 55 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-369 not applicable with respect to obligations issued before Jan. 1, 1984, see section 475(b) of Pub. L. 98-369, set out as a note under section 33 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 95-600 applicable to taxable years beginning after Dec. 31, 1978, see section 301(c) of Pub. L. 95-600, set out as a note under section 11 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE AND TERMINATION DATES OF 1975 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-12 applicable to taxable years ending after Dec. 31, 1974, but to cease to apply for taxable years ending after Dec. 31, 1975, see section 305(b)(1) of Pub. L. 94-12, set out as a note under section 11 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1969 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 91-172 applicable to taxable years ending after Dec. 31, 1969, see section 301(c) of Pub. L. 91-172, set out as a note under section 5 of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1964 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 88-272 applicable to taxable years beginning after Dec. 31, 1963, see section 234(c) of Pub. L. 88-272, set out as a note under section 1503 of this title.

#### APPLICABILITY OF CERTAIN AMENDMENTS BY PUBLIC LAW 99-514 IN RELATION TO TREATY OBLIGATIONS OF UNITED STATES

For applicability of amendment by Pub. L. 99-514 notwithstanding any treaty obligation of the United States in effect on Oct. 22, 1986, see section 1012(aa)(2) of Pub. L. 100-647, set out as a note under section 861 of this title.

### PART III—CHANGES IN RATES DURING A TAXABLE YEAR

Sec.  
15. Effect of changes.

#### AMENDMENTS

1984—Pub. L. 98-369, div. A, title IV, §474(b)(3), July 18, 1984, 98 Stat. 830, substituted “15. Effect of changes” for “21. Effect of changes”.

### § 15. Effect of changes

#### (a) General rule

If any rate of tax imposed by this chapter changes, and if the taxable year includes the effective date of the change (unless that date is the first day of the taxable year), then—

(1) tentative taxes shall be computed by applying the rate for the period before the effective date of the change, and the rate for the period on and after such date, to the taxable income for the entire taxable year; and

(2) the tax for such taxable year shall be the sum of that proportion of each tentative tax

which the number of days in each period bears to the number of days in the entire taxable year.

#### (b) Repeal of tax

For purposes of subsection (a)—

(1) if a tax is repealed, the repeal shall be considered a change of rate; and

(2) the rate for the period after the repeal shall be zero.

#### (c) Effective date of change

For purposes of subsections (a) and (b)—

(1) if the rate changes for taxable years “beginning after” or “ending after” a certain date, the following day shall be considered the effective date of the change; and

(2) if a rate changes for taxable years “beginning on or after” a certain date, that date shall be considered the effective date of the change.

#### (d) Section not to apply to inflation adjustments

This section shall not apply to any change in rates under subsection (f) of section 1 (relating to adjustments in tax tables so that inflation will not result in tax increases).

#### (e) References to highest rate

If the change referred to in subsection (a) involves a change in the highest rate of tax imposed by section 1 or 11(b), any reference in this chapter to such highest rate (other than in a provision imposing a tax by reference to such rate) shall be treated as a reference to the weighted average of the highest rates before and after the change determined on the basis of the respective portions of the taxable year before the date of the change and on or after the date of the change.

#### (f) Rate reductions enacted by Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001

This section shall not apply to any change in rates under subsection (i) of section 1 (relating to rate reductions after 2000).

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 12, §21; Pub. L. 88-272, title I, §132, Feb. 26, 1964, 78 Stat. 30; Pub. L. 91-172, title VIII, §803(e), Dec. 30, 1969, 83 Stat. 685; Pub. L. 92-178, title II, §205, Dec. 10, 1971, 85 Stat. 511; Pub. L. 94-12, title III, §305(b)(2), Mar. 29, 1975, 89 Stat. 45; Pub. L. 94-164, §4(d)(2), Dec. 23, 1975, 89 Stat. 975; Pub. L. 94-455, title IX, §901(c)(2), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1607; Pub. L. 95-30, title I, §101(d)(2), May 23, 1977, 91 Stat. 133; Pub. L. 95-600, title I, §106, Nov. 6, 1978, 92 Stat. 2776; Pub. L. 97-34, title I, §101(d)(3), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 184; renumbered §15, Pub. L. 98-369, div. A, title IV, §474(b)(1), July 18, 1984, 98 Stat. 830; Pub. L. 99-514, title I, §101(b), Oct. 22, 1986, 100 Stat. 2099; Pub. L. 100-647, title I, §1006(a), Nov. 10, 1988, 102 Stat. 3393; Pub. L. 107-16, title I, §101(c)(3), June 7, 2001, 115 Stat. 43.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2001—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 107-16, §101(c)(3), added subsec. (f).

1988—Subsec. (e). Pub. L. 100-647 added subsec. (e).

1986—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 99-514 amended subsec. (d) generally, substituting “apply to inflation adjustments” for “apply to section 1 rate changes made by Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981” in heading and struck out “section 1 attributable to the amendments