

be affected or abated by reason thereof, see section 1103 of Pub. L. 91-513, set out as a note under section 171 of Title 21, Food and Drugs.

§ 4906. Application of State laws

The payment of any special tax imposed by this subtitle for carrying on any trade or business shall not be held to exempt any person from any penalty or punishment provided by the laws of any State for carrying on the same within such State, or in any manner to authorize the commencement or continuance of such trade or business contrary to the laws of such State or in places prohibited by municipal law; nor shall the payment of any such tax be held to prohibit any State from placing a duty or tax on the same trade or business, for State or other purposes.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 594.)

§ 4907. Federal agencies or instrumentalities

Any special tax imposed by this subtitle, except the tax imposed by section 4411, shall apply to any agency or instrumentality of the United States unless such agency or instrumentality is granted by statute a specific exemption from such tax.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 594.)

CHAPTER 41—PUBLIC CHARITIES

Sec.	
4911.	Tax on excess expenditures to influence legislation.
4912.	Tax on disqualifying lobbying expenditures of certain organizations.

AMENDMENTS

1987—Pub. L. 100-203, title X, §10714(d), Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1330-471, added item 4912.

PRIOR PROVISIONS

The provisions of a prior chapter 41, Interest Equalization Tax, were set out as follows:

Subchapter A, Acquisitions of foreign stock and debt obligations, comprising sections 4911 to 4920.

Subchapter B, Acquisition by commercial banks, comprising section 4931.

Prior sections 4911 to 4922 and 4931 were repealed by Pub. L. 94-455, §1904(a)(21)(A), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1814, effective with respect to acquisitions of stock and debt obligations made after June 30, 1974. See section 1904(a)(21)(B), set out as an Effective Date of Repeal of Prior Provisions note below.

The subject matter of the prior provisions is as follows:

Section 4911, added Pub. L. 88-563, §2(a), Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 809; amended Pub. L. 89-243, §§2, 3(a)(1), (b), Oct. 9, 1965, 79 Stat. 954; Pub. L. 90-59, §§2, 3(a), July 31, 1967, 81 Stat. 145; Pub. L. 91-50, Aug. 2, 1969, 83 Stat. 86; Pub. L. 91-65, §2, Aug. 25, 1969, 83 Stat. 105; Pub. L. 91-128, §§2, 3, Nov. 26, 1969, 83 Stat. 261, 262; Pub. L. 92-9, §2, Apr. 1, 1971, 85 Stat. 13; Pub. L. 93-17, §2, Apr. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 12, imposed a tax on each acquisition by a United States person of stock of a foreign issuer or a debt obligation of a foreign obligor, if such obligation had a period remaining to maturity of 1 year or more and provided for modification of tax rate by executive order, rate tables, rates during interim period, rules and regulations, persons liable for tax, and termination date, that no tax shall be imposed on any acquisition made after June 30, 1974.

Section 4912, added Pub. L. 88-563, §2(a), Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 810; amended Pub. L. 89-243, §4(m)(3), Oct. 9, 1965, 79 Stat. 963; Pub. L. 90-59, §5(a)(1), July 31, 1967, 81

Stat. 157; Pub. L. 91-128, §4(a)(1), Nov. 26, 1969, 83 Stat. 263; Pub. L. 92-9, §3(a)(1), Apr. 1, 1971, 85 Stat. 14; Pub. L. 93-17, §3(e), Apr. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 17, defined term "acquisition" and provided special rules to be applied to certain transfers to foreign trusts, foreign corporations and partnerships, foreign branches, acquisitions from domestic corporations or partnerships formed or availed of to obtain funds for foreign issuer or obligor, and reorganization exchanges.

Section 4913, added Pub. L. 88-563, §2(a), Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 812, imposed general and special limitations on tax on certain acquisitions relating to stock or debt obligations acquired by surrender, extensions, renewals, and exercises, transfers which are deemed acquisitions and acquisitions by certain domestic corporations and partnerships.

Section 4914, added Pub. L. 88-563, §2(a), Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 813; amended Pub. L. 89-44, title IV, §405(d), June 21, 1965, 79 Stat. 149; Pub. L. 89-243, §§3(a)(2), (3), 4(a)(1)-(3), (b)-(f)(2), (g), (h)(1), Oct. 9, 1965, 79 Stat. 954, 956-960; Pub. L. 89-809, title II, §§213(a), (b)(1), 214(a), Nov. 13, 1966, 80 Stat. 1585; Pub. L. 90-59, §5(b)(1), (c)(1), (2), (d)(1), (e)(1), (f)(1), July 31, 1967, 81 Stat. 157, 158; Pub. L. 91-128, §4(b)(1), (c)(1), (2), (i)(1), (2), Nov. 26, 1969, 83 Stat. 263, 264, 268; Pub. L. 92-9, §3(b)(1), (2), (c)(1), (d)(1), (2), Apr. 1, 1971, 85 Stat. 15-17; Pub. L. 93-17, §3(f), Apr. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 17, provided exclusions for certain acquisitions including: transactions not considered acquisitions; export credit, etc., transactions; loans to assure raw materials sources; acquisitions by insurance companies doing business in foreign countries; acquisitions by certain tax-exempt organizations such as labor, fraternal, and similar organizations having foreign branches or chapters; sale or liquidation of foreign subsidiary or sale of foreign branch; certain debt obligations secured by United States mortgages, etc.; acquisitions of stock of foreign issuers investing exclusively in the United States, and loss of entitlement to exclusion in case of certain subsequent transfers or acquisitions of stock or debt obligations in connection with nationalization, expropriation, etc.

Section 4915, added Pub. L. 88-563, §2(a), Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 824; amended Pub. L. 90-59, §5(h)(3), July 31, 1967, 81 Stat. 163; Pub. L. 91-128, §4(e)(3), Nov. 26, 1969, 83 Stat. 267; Pub. L. 92-9, §3(e)(1), Apr. 1, 1971, 85 Stat. 17; Pub. L. 93-17, §3(g)(1), Apr. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 18, related to exclusions for direct investments and provided for excluded acquisitions, overpayment with respect to certain taxable acquisitions, special rule for government-controlled enterprises, exception for foreign corporations or partnerships formed or availed of for tax avoidance, exception for acquisitions made with intent to sell to United States persons, and special rule for investments in certain lending and financial corporations.

Section 4916, added Pub. L. 88-563, §2(a), Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 827; amended Pub. L. 89-243, §4(i), Oct. 9, 1965, 79 Stat. 960; Pub. L. 90-59, §5(g)(1), July 31, 1967, 81 Stat. 159; Pub. L. 92-9, §3(b)(3), Apr. 1, 1971, 85 Stat. 16; Pub. L. 93-17, §3(b), Apr. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 13, related to exclusion for investment in less developed countries, provided special rules applicable to such investments, subsequent tax liability in certain cases, the repeal of exclusion for issues after Jan. 29, 1973, in the case of less developed country shipping companies, and defined term "less developed country".

Section 4917, added Pub. L. 88-563, §2(a), Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 830; amended Pub. L. 89-243, §4(j), (k), Oct. 9, 1965, 79 Stat. 960; Pub. L. 90-59, §5(h)(1), July 31, 1967, 81 Stat. 159, related to exclusion for original or new issues where required for international monetary stability.

Section 4918, added Pub. L. 88-563, §2(a), Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 831; amended Pub. L. 89-809, title II, §213(b)(2), Nov. 13, 1966, 80 Stat. 1585; Pub. L. 90-59, §4(a), July 31, 1967, 81 Stat. 148; Pub. L. 90-73, §2(a)-(c), Aug. 29, 1967, 81 Stat. 175, 176; Pub. L. 93-17, §3(h)(1), Apr. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 18, related to exemption for prior American ownership and compliance, proof of such ownership or compliance, issuance of IET clean confirmation by participating firm, sales effected by participating firms in

connection with exempt acquisitions, filing of transition inventory, transfer of custody certificate, certain debt obligations arising out of loans to assure raw material sources, regulations, and definitions of “participating firm,” and “participating custodian”.

Section 4919, added Pub. L. 88-563, §2(a), Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 833; amended Pub. L. 89-243, §4(1), Oct. 9, 1965, 79 Stat. 961; Pub. L. 90-59, §5(i)(1), (2), July 31, 1967, 81 Stat. 159, 160; Pub. L. 91-128, §4(d)(1), Nov. 26, 1969, 83 Stat. 264; Pub. L. 92-9, §3(f)(1), (2), Apr. 1, 1971, 85 Stat. 20; Pub. L. 93-17, §3(i)(1), Apr. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 19, related to credit or refund on sales by underwriters and dealers to foreign persons, evidence needed to support such credit or refund, and defined terms “underwriter”, “dealer”, and “persons other than United States persons”.

Section 4920, added Pub. L. 88-563, §2(a), Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 835; amended Pub. L. 89-243, §§3(a)(4), 4(m)(1), (2)(A), (n), Oct. 9, 1965, 79 Stat. 954, 961-963; Pub. L. 90-59, §§4(f), 5(j)-(k)(2), July 31, 1967, 81 Stat. 156, 160-163; Pub. L. 91-128, §4(e)(1), (2), (i)(3), Nov. 26, 1969, 83 Stat. 264, 269; Pub. L. 92-9, §3(e)(2), (3), (g)(1), (h)(1), Apr. 1, 1971, 85 Stat. 18, 20, 21; Pub. L. 93-17, §3(g)(2)(j), Apr. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 18, 19, related to definitions and special rules.

Section 4921, added Pub. L. 92-9, §3(i)(1), Apr. 1, 1971, 85 Stat. 21, related to standby authority of the President to impose tax on debt obligations of foreign obligors having a period remaining to maturity of less than 1 year and provided that such authority may be extended by Executive order.

Section 4922, added Pub. L. 93-17, §3(d)(1), Apr. 10, 1973, 87 Stat. 15, related to exclusion for certain issues to finance new or additional direct investment in the United States, qualification for exclusion, and loss of entitlement to exclusion by subsequent noncompliance.

Section 4931, added Pub. L. 88-563, §2(a), Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 839; amended Pub. L. 89-243, §§3(e)(1), 4(a)(4), (o), Oct. 9, 1965, 79 Stat. 955, 956, 964; Pub. L. 89-809, title II, §215(a), Nov. 13, 1966, 80 Stat. 1587, Pub. L. 90-59, §3(b)(1), July 31, 1967, 81 Stat. 145, related to the standby authority of the President to impose, by Executive order, tax on acquisitions by commercial banks of debt obligations of foreign obligors, made provision for exclusions concerning export loans, foreign currency loans by foreign branches, preexisting commitments, and provided for prescription of regulations by the Secretary.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL OF PRIOR PROVISIONS

Pub. L. 94-455, title XIX, §1904(a)(21)(B), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1814, provided that: “The repeal made by subparagraph (A) [repealing sections 4911 through 4922 and section 4931 of this title] shall apply with respect to acquisitions of stock and debt obligations made after June 30, 1974.”

§ 4911. Tax on excess expenditures to influence legislation

(a) Tax imposed

(1) In general

There is hereby imposed on the excess lobbying expenditures of any organization to which this section applies a tax equal to 25 percent of the amount of the excess lobbying expenditures for the taxable year.

(2) Organizations to which this section applies

This section applies to any organization with respect to which an election under section 501(h) (relating to lobbying expenditures by public charities) is in effect for the taxable year.

(b) Excess lobbying expenditures

For purposes of this section, the term “excess lobbying expenditures” means, for a taxable year, the greater of—

(1) the amount by which the lobbying expenditures made by the organization during the taxable year exceed the lobbying nontaxable amount for such organization for such taxable year, or

(2) the amount by which the gross roots expenditures made by the organization during the taxable year exceed the gross roots nontaxable amount for such organization for such taxable year.

(c) Definitions

For purposes of this section—

(1) Lobbying expenditures

The term “lobbying expenditures” means expenditures for the purpose of influencing legislation (as defined in subsection (d)).

(2) Lobbying nontaxable amount

The lobbying nontaxable amount for any organization for any taxable year is the lesser of (A) \$1,000,000 or (B) the amount determined under the following table:

If the exempt purpose expenditures are—	The lobbying nontaxable amount is—
Not over \$500,000	20 percent of the exempt purpose expenditures.
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000.	\$100,000, plus 15 percent of the excess of the exempt purpose expenditures over \$500,000.
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000.	\$175,000 plus 10 percent of the excess of the exempt purpose expenditures over \$1,000,000.
Over \$1,500,000	\$225,000 plus 5 percent of the excess of the exempt purpose expenditures over \$1,500,000.

(3) Grass roots expenditures

The term “grass roots expenditures” means expenditures for the purpose of influencing legislation (as defined in subsection (d) without regard to paragraph (1)(B) thereof).

(4) Grass roots nontaxable amount

The grass roots nontaxable amount for any organization for any taxable year is 25 percent of the lobbying nontaxable amount (determined under paragraph (2)) for such organization for such taxable year.

(d) Influencing legislation

(1) General rule

Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (2), for purposes of this section, the term “influencing legislation” means—

(A) any attempt to influence any legislation through an attempt to affect the opinions of the general public or any segment thereof, and

(B) any attempt to influence any legislation through communication with any member or employee of a legislative body, or with any government official or employee who may participate in the formulation of the legislation.

(2) Exceptions

For purposes of this section, the term “influencing legislation”, with respect to an organization, does not include—