

§ 4372. Definitions**(a) Foreign insurer or reinsurer**

For purposes of section 4371, the term “foreign insurer or reinsurer” means an insurer or reinsurer who is a nonresident alien individual, or a foreign partnership, or a foreign corporation. The term includes a nonresident alien individual, foreign partnership, or foreign corporation which shall become bound by an obligation of the nature of an indemnity bond. The term does not include a foreign government, or municipal or other corporation exercising the taxing power.

(b) Policy of casualty insurance

For purposes of section 4371(1), the term “policy of casualty insurance” means any policy (other than life) or other instrument by whatever name called whereby a contract of insurance is made, continued, or renewed.

(c) Indemnity bond

For purposes of this chapter, the term “indemnity bond” means any instrument by whatever name called whereby an obligation of the nature of an indemnity, fidelity, or surety bond is made, continued, or renewed. The term includes any bond for indemnifying any person who shall have become bound or engaged as surety, and any bond for the due execution or performance of any contract, obligation, or requirement, or the duties of any office or position, and to account for money received by virtue thereof, where a premium is charged for the execution of such bond.

(d) Insured

For purposes of section 4371(1), the term “insured” means—

(1) a domestic corporation or partnership, or an individual resident of the United States, against, or with respect to, hazards, risks, losses, or liabilities wholly or partly within the United States, or

(2) a foreign corporation, foreign partnership, or nonresident individual, engaged in a trade or business within the United States, against, or with respect to, hazards, risks, losses, or liabilities within the United States.

(e) Policy of life, sickness, or accident insurance, or annuity contract

For the purpose of section 4371(2), the term “policy of life, sickness, or accident insurance, or annuity contract” means any policy or other instrument by whatever name called whereby a contract of insurance or an annuity contract is made, continued, or renewed with respect to the life or hazards to the person of a citizen or resident of the United States.

(f) Policy of reinsurance

For the purpose of section 4371(3), the term “policy of reinsurance” means any policy or other instrument by whatever name called whereby a contract of reinsurance is made, continued, or renewed against, or with respect to, any of the hazards, risks, losses, or liabilities covered by contracts taxable under paragraph (1) or (2) of section 4371.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 521; Pub. L. 85-859, title I, §141(a), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1300;

Pub. L. 94-455, title XIX, §1904(a)(12), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1812.)

AMENDMENTS

1976—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 94-455 substituted “section 4371” for “this subchapter”, and inserted provision that term does not include a foreign government, or municipal or other corporation exercising the taxing power.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 94-455 substituted “this chapter” for “this subchapter”.

1958—Subsec. (d)(2). Pub. L. 85-859 substituted “against, or with respect to, hazards, risks, losses, or liabilities” for “with respect to hazards, risks, or liabilities”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-455 effective on first day of first month which begins more than 90 days after Oct. 4, 1976, see section 1904(d) of Pub. L. 94-455, set out as a note under section 4041 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1958 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 85-859 effective on first day of first calendar quarter which begins more than 60 days after Sept. 2, 1958, see section 1(c) of Pub. L. 85-859, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1275.

§ 4373. Exemptions

The tax imposed by section 4371 shall not apply to—

(1) Effectively connected items

Any amount which is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business within the United States unless such amount is exempt from the application of section 882(a) pursuant to a treaty obligation of the United States.

(2) Indemnity bond

Any indemnity bond required to be filed by any person to secure payment of any pension, allowance, allotment, relief, or insurance by the United States, or to secure a duplicate for, or the payment of, any bond, note, certificate of indebtedness, war-saving certificate, warrant or check, issued by the United States.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 522; Pub. L. 85-859, title I, §141(a), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1301; Pub. L. 94-455, title XIX, §1904(a)(12), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1813; Pub. L. 100-647, title I, §1012(q)(13)(A), Nov. 10, 1988, 102 Stat. 3525.)

AMENDMENTS

1988—Par. (1). Pub. L. 100-647 amended par. (1) generally, substituting provisions relating to effectively connected items for provisions relating to domestic agent.

1976—Par. (1). Pub. L. 94-455 substituted “State, or in the District of Columbia, within” for “State, Territory, or District of the United States within”.

1958—Pub. L. 85-859 reenacted section without change.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 100-647, title I, §1012(q)(13)(B), Nov. 10, 1988, 102 Stat. 3525, provided that: “The amendment made by subparagraph (A) [amending this section] shall apply with respect to premiums paid after the date 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 10, 1988].”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-455 effective on first day of first month which begins more than 90 days after Oct. 4, 1976, see section 1904(d) of Pub. L. 94-455, set out as a note under section 4041 of this title.