

1968—Pub. L. 90-364, title I, §103(e)(8), June 28, 1968, 82 Stat. 264, struck out item 6074 “Time for filing declarations of estimated income tax by corporations”.

1964—Pub. L. 88-563, §3(d), Sept. 2, 1964, 78 Stat. 845, added item 6076.

### **§ 6071. Time for filing returns and other documents**

#### **(a) General rule**

When not otherwise provided for by this title, the Secretary shall by regulations prescribe the time for filing any return, statement, or other document required by this title or by regulations.

#### **(b) Electronically filed information returns**

Returns made under subpart B of part III of this subchapter (other than returns and statements required to be filed with respect to non-employee compensation) which are filed electronically shall be filed on or before March 31 of the year following the calendar year to which such returns relate.

#### **(c) Returns and statements relating to employee wage information and nonemployee compensation**

Forms W-2 and W-3 and any returns or statements required by the Secretary to report non-employee compensation shall be filed on or before January 31 of the year following the calendar year to which such returns relate.

#### **(d) Special taxes**

**For payment of special taxes before engaging in certain trades and businesses, see section 4901 and section 5732.**

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 749; Pub. L. 85-859, title II, §204(1), Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1428; Pub. L. 94-455, title XIX, §1906(b)(13)(A), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1834; Pub. L. 105-206, title II, §2002(a), July 22, 1998, 112 Stat. 724; Pub. L. 109-59, title XI, §11125(b)(21), Aug. 10, 2005, 119 Stat. 1957; Pub. L. 114-113, div. Q, title II, §201(a), (c), Dec. 18, 2015, 129 Stat. 3076.)

#### **AMENDMENTS**

2015—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 114-113, §201(c), substituted “subpart B of part III of this subchapter (other than returns and statements required to be filed with respect to nonemployee compensation)” for “subparts B and C of part III of this subchapter”.

Subsecs. (c), (d). Pub. L. 114-113, §201(a), added subsec. (c) and redesignated former subsec. (c) as (d).

2005—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 109-59 substituted “section 5732” for “section 5142”.

1998—Subsecs. (b), (c). Pub. L. 105-206 added subsec. (b) and redesignated former subsec. (b) as (c).

1976—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 94-455 struck out “or his delegate” after “Secretary”.

1958—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 85-859 inserted reference to section 5142 of this title.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2015 AMENDMENT**

Pub. L. 114-113, div. Q, title II, §201(d), Dec. 18, 2015, 129 Stat. 3076, provided that:

“(1) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the amendments made by this section [amending this section and section 6402 of this title] shall apply to returns and statements relating to calendar years beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 18, 2015].

“(2) **DATE FOR CERTAIN REFUNDS.**—The amendment made by subsection (b) [amending section 6402 of this

title] shall apply to credits or refunds made after December 31, 2016.”

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2005 AMENDMENT**

Amendment by Pub. L. 109-59 effective July 1, 2008, but inapplicable to taxes imposed for periods before such date, see section 11125(c) of Pub. L. 109-59, set out as a note under section 5002 of this title.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1998 AMENDMENT**

Pub. L. 105-206, title II, §2002(c), July 22, 1998, 112 Stat. 724, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall apply to returns required to be filed after December 31, 1999.”

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1958 AMENDMENT**

Amendment by Pub. L. 85-859 effective Sept. 3, 1958, see section 210(a)(1) of Pub. L. 85-859, set out as an Effective Date note under section 5001 of this title.

### **§ 6072. Time for filing income tax returns**

#### **(a) General rule**

In the case of returns under section 6012, 6013, or 6017 (relating to income tax under subtitle A), returns made on the basis of the calendar year shall be filed on or before the 15th day of April following the close of the calendar year and returns made on the basis of a fiscal year shall be filed on or before the 15th day of the fourth month following the close of the fiscal year, except as otherwise provided in the following subsections of this section.

#### **(b) Returns of partnerships and S corporations**

Returns of partnerships under section 6031 and returns of S corporations under sections 6012 and 6037 made on the basis of the calendar year shall be filed on or before the 15th day of March following the close of the calendar year, and such returns made on the basis of a fiscal year shall be filed on or before the 15th day of the third month following the close of the fiscal year. Returns required for a taxable year by section 6011(c)(2) (relating to returns of a DISC) shall be filed on or before the fifteenth day of the ninth month following the close of the taxable year.

#### **(c) Returns by certain nonresident alien individuals and foreign corporations**

Returns made by nonresident alien individuals (other than those whose wages are subject to withholding under chapter 24) and foreign corporations (other than those having an office or place of business in the United States or a former FSC (as defined in section 922 as in effect before its repeal by the FSC Repeal and Extraterritorial Income Exclusion Act of 2000)) under section 6012 on the basis of a calendar year shall be filed on or before the 15th day of June following the close of the calendar year and such returns made on the basis of a fiscal year shall be filed on or before the 15th day of the 6th month following the close of the fiscal year.

#### **(d) Returns of cooperative associations**

In the case of an income tax return of—

(1) an exempt cooperative association described in section 1381(a)(1), or

(2) an organization described in section 1381(a)(2) which is under an obligation to pay patronage dividends (as defined in section 1388(a)) in an amount equal to at least 50 percent of its net earnings from business done