

annuity) to the surviving spouse of a judge of the United States Tax Court is being paid on the date of the enactment of this Act, then the amount of that annuity shall be adjusted, as of the first day of the first month beginning more than 30 days after such date, to reflect the amount of the annuity which would have been payable if the amendment made by subsection (b) applied with respect to increases in the salary of a judge under section 7443(c) of such Code taking effect after December 31, 1963.”

[Pub. L. 97-448, title III, §311(c)(5), Jan. 12, 1983, 96 Stat. 2412, provided that: “The amendment made by subsection (e) of section 305 [amending section 105(c) of Pub. L. 97-362, set out above] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of the Miscellaneous Revenue Act of 1982 [Oct. 25, 1982].”]

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AMENDMENTS

2015—Pub. L. 114-113, div. Q, title IV, §431(b), Dec. 18, 2015, 129 Stat. 3125, added item 7466.

1998—Pub. L. 105-206, title III, §3103(b)(2), July 22, 1998, 112 Stat. 731, substituted “\$50,000” for “\$10,000” in item 7463.

1984—Pub. L. 98-369, div. A, title IV, §461(a)(2)(B), July 18, 1984, 98 Stat. 823, substituted “\$10,000” for “\$5,000” in item 7463.

1980—Pub. L. 96-589, §6(c)(2), Dec. 24, 1980, 94 Stat. 3407, added item 7464 and redesignated former item 7464 as 7465.

1978—Pub. L. 95-600, title V, §502(a)(2)(B), Nov. 6, 1978, 92 Stat. 2879, substituted “\$5,000” for “\$1,500” in item 7463.

1972—Pub. L. 92-512, title II, §203(b)(3), Oct. 20, 1972, 86 Stat. 945, substituted “\$1,500” for “\$1,000” in item 7463.

1969—Pub. L. 91-172, title IX, §957(b), Dec. 30, 1969, 83 Stat. 733, added item 7463 and redesignated former item 7463 as 7464.

§ 7451. Fee for filing petition

The Tax Court is authorized to impose a fee in an amount not in excess of \$60 to be fixed by the Tax Court for the filing of any petition.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 884; Pub. L. 93-406, title II, §1041(b)(1), Sept. 2, 1974, 88 Stat. 950; Pub. L. 94-455, title XIII, §1306(b)(1), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1719; Pub. L. 97-34, title VII, §751(a), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 349; Pub. L. 97-248, title IV, §402(c)(12), Sept. 3, 1982, 96 Stat. 668; Pub. L. 109-280, title VIII, §859(a), Aug. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 1020.)

AMENDMENTS

2006—Pub. L. 109-280 struck out “for the redetermination of a deficiency or for a declaratory judgment

¹Section catchline amended by Pub. L. 91-172 without corresponding amendment of analysis.

under part IV of this subchapter or under section 7428 or for judicial review under section 6226 or section 6228(a)” after “petition”.

1982—Pub. L. 97-248 inserted provision relating to judicial review under section 6226 or section 6228(a).

1981—Pub. L. 97-34 increased limitation on amount of fee to \$60 from \$10.

1976—Pub. L. 94-455 inserted “or under section 7428” after “part IV of this subchapter”.

1974—Pub. L. 93-406 inserted reference to a declaratory judgment under part IV of this subchapter.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2006 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 109-280, title VIII, §859(b), Aug. 17, 2006, 120 Stat. 1020, provided that: “The amendment made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [Aug. 17, 2006].”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1982 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 97-248 applicable to partnership taxable years beginning after Sept. 3, 1982, with provision for the applicability of the amendment to any partnership taxable year ending after Sept. 3, 1982, if the partnership, each partner, and each indirect partner requests such application and the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate consents to such application, see section 407(a)(1), (3) of Pub. L. 97-248, set out as a note under section 702 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1981 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 97-34, title VII, §751(b), Aug. 13, 1981, 95 Stat. 349, provided that: “The amendment made by this section [amending this section] shall apply to petitions filed after December 31, 1981.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-455 applicable with respect to pleadings filed with the United States Tax Court, the district court of the United States for the District of Columbia, or the United States Court of Claims more than 6 months after Oct. 4, 1976, but only with respect to determinations (or requests for determinations) made after Jan. 1, 1976, see section 1306(c) of Pub. L. 94-455, set out as an Effective Date note under section 7428 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1974 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 93-406 applicable to pleadings filed more than one year after Sept. 2, 1974, see section 1041(d) of Pub. L. 93-406, set out as an Effective Date note under section 7476 of this title.

§ 7452. Representation of parties

The Secretary shall be represented by the Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service or his delegate in the same manner before the Tax Court as he has heretofore been represented in proceedings before such Court. The taxpayer shall continue to be represented in accordance with the rules of practice prescribed by the Court. No qualified person shall be denied admission to practice before the Tax Court because of his failure to be a member of any profession or calling.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 884; Pub. L. 86-368, §2(a), Sept. 22, 1959, 73 Stat. 648; Pub. L. 94-455, title XIX, §1906(b)(13)(A), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1834.)

AMENDMENTS

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

1959—Pub. L. 86-368 substituted “Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service or his delegate” for “Assistant General Counsel of the Treasury Department

serving as Chief Counsel of the Internal Revenue Service, or the delegate of such Chief Counsel.”.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1959 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 86-368 effective when Chief Counsel for Internal Revenue Service first appointed pursuant to amendment of section 7801 of this title by Pub. L. 86-368 qualifies and takes office, see section 3 of Pub. L. 86-368, set out as a note under section 7801 of this title.

§ 7453. Rules of practice, procedure, and evidence

Except in the case of proceedings conducted under section 7436(c) or 7463, the proceedings of the Tax Court and its divisions shall be conducted in accordance with such rules of practice and procedure (other than rules of evidence) as the Tax Court may prescribe and in accordance with the Federal Rules of Evidence.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 884; Pub. L. 91-172, title IX, §960(f), Dec. 30, 1969, 83 Stat. 734; Pub. L. 105-34, title XIV, §1454(b)(3), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 1057; Pub. L. 114-113, div. Q, title IV, §425(a), Dec. 18, 2015, 129 Stat. 3125.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Rules of Evidence, referred to in text, are set out in the Appendix to Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

AMENDMENTS

2015—Pub. L. 114-113 substituted “the Federal Rules of Evidence” for “the rules of evidence applicable in trials without a jury in the United States District Court of the District of Columbia”.

1997—Pub. L. 105-34 substituted “section 7436(c) or 7463” for “section 7463”.

1969—Pub. L. 91-172 inserted reference to the exception in the case of proceedings conducted under section 7463 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2015 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 114-113, div. Q, title IV, §425(b), Dec. 18, 2015, 129 Stat. 3125, provided that: “The amendment made by this section [amending this section] shall apply to proceedings commenced after the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 18, 2015] and, to the extent that it is just and practicable, to all proceedings pending on such date.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1969 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 91-172 effective one year after Dec. 30, 1969, see section 962(e) of Pub. L. 91-172, set out as an Effective Date note under section 7463 of this title.

TAX COURT RULE MAKING NOT AFFECTED

Authority of Tax Court to prescribe rules under this section unaffected by amendments of title IV of Pub. L. 100-702, see section 405 of Pub. L. 100-702, set out as a note under section 2071 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure.

§ 7454. Burden of proof in fraud, foundation manager, and transferee cases

(a) Fraud

In any proceeding involving the issue whether the petitioner has been guilty of fraud with intent to evade tax, the burden of proof in respect of such issue shall be upon the Secretary.

(b) Foundation managers

In any proceeding involving the issue whether a foundation manager (as defined in section

4946(b)) has “knowingly” participated in an act of self-dealing (within the meaning of section 4941), participated in an investment which jeopardizes the carrying out of exempt purposes (within the meaning of section 4944), or agreed to the making of a taxable expenditure (within the meaning of section 4945), or whether the trustee of a trust described in section 501(c)(21) has “knowingly” participated in an act of self-dealing (within the meaning of section 4951) or agreed to the making of a taxable expenditure (within the meaning of section 4952), or whether an organization manager (as defined in section 4955(f)(2)) has “knowingly” agreed to the making of a political expenditure (within the meaning of section 4955), or whether an organization manager (as defined in section 4912(d)(2)) has “knowingly” agreed to the making of disqualifying lobbying expenditures within the meaning of section 4912(b), or whether an organization manager (as defined in section 4958(f)(2)) has “knowingly” participated in an excess benefit transaction (as defined in section 4958(c)), the burden of proof in respect of such issue shall be upon the Secretary.

(c) Cross reference

For provisions relating to burden of proof as to transferee liability, see section 6902(a).

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 884; Pub. L. 91-172, title I, §101(j)(57), Dec. 30, 1969, 83 Stat. 532; Pub. L. 94-455, title XIX, §1906(b)(13)(A), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1834; Pub. L. 95-227, §4(d)(7), Feb. 10, 1978, 92 Stat. 23; Pub. L. 96-222, title I, §108(b)(3)(B), Apr. 1, 1980, 94 Stat. 226; Pub. L. 100-203, title X, §§10712(c)(6), 10714(b), Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1330-467, 1330-471; Pub. L. 104-168, title XIII, §1311(c)(5), July 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 1478; Pub. L. 104-188, title I, §1704(t)(43), Aug. 20, 1996, 110 Stat. 1889; Pub. L. 115-141, div. U, title IV, §401(a)(329), Mar. 23, 2018, 132 Stat. 1200.)

AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 115-141 substituted “4955),” for “4955),”.

1996—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 104-188 substituted “section 4955(f)(2)” for “section 4955(e)(2)”.

Pub. L. 104-168 inserted “or whether an organization manager (as defined in section 4958(f)(2)) has ‘knowingly’ participated in an excess benefit transaction (as defined in section 4958(c)),” after “section 4912(b),”.

1987—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 100-203, §10714(b), substituted “, or whether an organization manager (as defined in section 4912(d)(2)) has ‘knowingly’ agreed to the making of disqualifying lobbying expenditures within the meaning of section 4912(b), the burden of proof” for “the burden of proof”.

Pub. L. 100-203, §10712(c)(6), substituted “or whether an organization manager (as defined in section 4955(e)(2)) has ‘knowingly’ agreed to the making of a political expenditure (within the meaning of section 4955), the burden of proof” for “the burden of proof”.

1980—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 96-222 substituted “section 501(c)(21)” for “section 502(c)(21)”.

1978—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 95-227 inserted provision relating to trustees of a trust described under section 502(c)(21) of this title.

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

1969—Pub. L. 91-172 inserted “, foundation manager” in section catchline.

Subsecs (b), (c). Pub. L. 91-172 added subsec. (b) and redesignated former subsec. (b) as (c).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 104-168 applicable to excess benefit transactions occurring on or after Sept. 14, 1995,