

HB 2092 -6, -7 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Revenue

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Updates connection date to federal Internal Revenue Code and other provisions of federal law. Updates connection date provisions by one year, to December 31, 2024 or to January 1, 2025. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Oregon's income tax connection points
- Implications for Oregon's tax connection as presented in the introduced and -1 versions of the measure
- Uncertainty surrounding federal tax law and policy
- Implications of federal tax law changes under a continuous connection compared to a static connection
- Differences between current law and current policy due to impending expiration (under current law) of federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act provisions
- Oregon's reliance on personal income tax as a primary source of revenue.

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-6 Suspends continuing connection to the federal definition of taxable income for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025 and before January 1, 2026. Sets 2025 taxable income connection to federal law as in effect on December 31, 2024. Restores continuing connection to federal definition of taxable income for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2026.

-7 Suspends continuing connection to the federal definition of taxable income for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025 and before January 1, 2027. Sets tax years 2025 and 2026 taxable income connection to federal law as in effect on December 31, 2024. Restores continuous connection to federal definition of taxable income for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2027.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon has a continuing connection to the federal definition of taxable income (“rolling reconnect”) for personal and corporate income taxes. The rolling reconnect automatically adopts federal changes to the definition of taxable income and incorporates them into Oregon tax law. Other ties to federal tax law must be updated on a regular basis, with December 31st being the usual connection date. Oregon has had a continuing connection to the federal definition of taxable income since tax year 2011. Over the past forty years, Oregon has fluctuated between a policy of automatic connection to federal tax base changes and connection to the federal code at a particular point in time. A section-by-section description of the measure can be found in the committee meeting materials.