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The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 A Comparison of Key Provisions of the House, Senate and the Conference Committee Compromise

Individual Income Taxes

	Current Law	House Bill	Senate Bill	Final
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Individual Tax	Seven brackets:	Four brackets:	Seven brackets:	Seven brackets:
Rates	10%, 15%, 25%, 28%,	12%, 25%, 35%, and	10%, 12%, 22%, 24%,	10%, 12%, 22%, 24%,
	33%, 35% and 39.6%	39.6%; includes a	32%, 35% and 38.5%	32%, 35% and 37%
		"bubble rate" of 45.6%		
Individual	Limits certain tax	Eliminates AMT	Retains AMT	Retains the AMT with
Alternative	benefits for higher			higher exemption and
Minimum Tax	income earners			threshold for phase-out
(AMT)				of exemption
Standard	Single: \$6,350	Single: \$12,000	Single: \$12,000	Single: \$12,000
Deduction	Married: \$12,700	Married: \$24,000	Married: \$24,000	Married: \$24,000
Personal and	\$4,050 for each	Eliminated	Eliminated	Eliminated
Dependency	exemption			
Exemptions				
Mortgage	Limited to \$1M	Capped at \$500K.	Retains current cap of	Capped at \$750K
Interest	acquisition debt		\$1M.	
Deduction				
State and Local	Income and property tax	Repeals SALT deduction	Repeals SALT	Caps the deduction at
Tax Income	are fully deductible for	for income taxes; caps	deduction for income	\$10K and allows
Deduction (SALT)	itemizers	property tax deduction at	taxes; caps property	deduction of property
, ,		\$10K	tax deduction at \$10K	tax plus either income
				tax or sales tax
Capital Gains	Must own and use	Must own and use	Must own and use for	No change. Current law
Exemption on	residence for at least	residence for at least five	at least five of the	(two out of five years)
Sale of Primary	two of five years prior to	of the eight years prior to	eight years prior to	remains in effect.
Residence	sale.	sale. Income limits apply.	sale. No income limits	
			apply.	
Alimony	Taxable to recipient and	No change, same as	Not taxable to	Not taxable to recipient
	deductible by payor	current law	recipient and not	and not deductible by
	'' '		deductible by payor	payor
IRA/Roth IRA	Limited to one	Conversion no longer	Conversion no longer	Conversion no longer
conversion	conversion per year	permitted	permitted	permitted
1031 Like-Kind	Limited to real and	Limited to real property	Limited to real	Limited to real property
Exchanges	tangible property.	assets.	property assets.	assets.

Child Tax Credit	\$1,000 credit for each child; credit phased out at \$110K (joint return)	\$1,600 credit; \$300 credit for each parent and non-child dependent; credit phased out at \$230K (joint return)	\$2,000 credit; \$500 credit for non-minor child dependents; credits phased out at \$500K (joint return)	\$2,000 credit; \$500 credit for non-minor child dependents; credits phased out at \$400K (joint return)
Obamacare Taxes	Individual tax penalty for not having health insurance	No change	Repeal of individual mandate penalty ending tax for failing to have insurance	Repeal of individual mandate penalty tax for failing to have health insurance

Estate Tax

	Current Law	House Bill	Senate Bill	Final
				(Anticipated New Law)
Estate Tax	40% tax on assets over	Immediately doubles	Immediately doubles	Immediately doubles
	\$5.49 million per person	exclusion and repeals the	the basic exclusion	the basic exclusion
	(\$5.6 million in 2018)	tax after 2024 (\$11.2	(\$11.2 million or \$22.4	(\$11.2 million or \$22.4
		million or \$22.4 for a	for a married couple);	for a married couple);
		married couple)	does not repeal the	does not repeal the tax
			tax	

Tax Reform for Business Taxes

	Current Law	House Bill	Senate Bill	Final (Anticipated New Law)
Corporate Tax Rate	Federal corporate tax rate of 35%	Permanent and immediate tax rate reduction to 20% in 2018	Permanent tax rate reduction to 20% in 2019	Permanent and immediate tax rate reduction to 21% in 2018
Corporate Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT)	Repeals the corporate AMT	Retains the corporate AMT	Repeals the corporate AMT	Repeals the corporate AMT
"Pass-through" Tax Treatment – Non – Service Businesses	"Pass-through" income taxed at personal income tax rates	Maximum rate capped at 25%, 9% rate on first \$75K; income over 25% threshold subject to special rules that effectively raise the tax rate	Deduction allowed for 23% of "pass-through" income; no other preferential rate	Deduction allowed for 20% of "pass-through" income. Certain limitations may reduce the benefit of the deduction. The deduction cannot exceed taxable income.
"Pass-through" Tax Treatment – Service Businesses	"Pass-through" income taxed at personal income tax rates	No deduction allowed	Deduction only for taxpayers with taxable income not in excess of \$500,000 (joint filers) of \$250,000 (other filers)	Deduction allowed for 20% of "pass-through" income; limited to first \$315K income for joint filers and \$157.5K for other filers, with the benefit completely phased-out at \$415,000 (joint filers) or \$207,500 (other filers)

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Reduced Period	27.5 years for	No Change, same as	25 years for both	Change in definition of
for Depreciation	residential, 39 years for	current law	residential and non-	qualified improvement
of Real Property	non-residential and 15		residential, and 15	property ONLY.
	years for qualified		years for qualified	
	leasehold		leasehold	
	improvements, etc.		improvements, etc.	
Section 179	Limit deduction to	Limit deduction to \$5M	Limit deduction to	Limit deduction to \$1M
Expensing	\$500K with investment	with investment limit of	\$1M with investment	with investment limit of
	limit of \$2M	\$20M	limit of \$2.5M	\$2.5M
Bonus	50% through 2017, 40%	100% through 2022	100% through 2022,	100% through 2022,
Depreciation	for 2018 and 30% for		80% in 2023, 60% in	80% in 2023, 60% in
	2019		2024, 40% in 2025,	2024, 40% in 2025, and
			and 20% in 2026	20% in 2026
Cash Method	Average 3-years gross	Average 3-years gross	Average 3-years gross	Average 3-years gross
Accounting	receipts of \$5M	receipts of \$25M	receipts of \$15M	receipts of \$25M
			(\$25M for Family	
			Corporations)	
Accounting for	Accrual method	Cash method with	Cash method with	Cash method with
Inventory		average 3-years gross	average 3-years gross	average 3-years gross
		receipts of \$25M, must	receipts of \$25M,	receipts of \$25M, must
		confirm with books and	must confirm with	confirm with books and
		records or financial	books and records or	records or financial
		statements	financial statements	statements
Method of	Based on all-events test	No Change	Book to tax	No deferral of income
Accounting			conformity, except	beyond tax year
			cash received in	recognized for audited
			advance is taxable in	financial statements.
			year of receipt unless	IRS will decide if to
			taxpayer elects	include Review and
			otherwise	Compilation for such
				conformity
Net Operating	Full deduction, 2-yr	90% deduction, 1-yr	90% deduction, no	80% deduction, no
Loss	carry back 20-yr	carryback, unlimited	carryback, unlimited	carryback, unlimited
	carryforward	carryforward	carryforward	carryforward
Carried Interest	More than 1-yr holding	No Change	More than 3-yr	More than 3-yr holding
	period for capital gain		holding period for	period for capital gain
	treatment		capital gain treatment	treatment

International Business

	Current Law	House Bill	nate Bill	Final (Anticipated New Law)
Participation Exemption System	Taxes worldwide corporate profits, which can be deferred minus taxes paid elsewhere	Moves towards a territorial system that only taxes domestic profits; imposes a 10% international minimum tax and a 20% excise tax on certain transactions with foreign subsidiaries	Moves toward a participation exemption system. A full deduction for dividends received from foreign corporations, by U.S. corporate shareholder. Imposes a 10% tax on low-tax intangible income and a 12.5% tax on certain foreign intangible income	Moves toward a participation exemption system. A full deduction for dividends received from foreign corporations, by U.S. corporate shareholder. Imposes current taxation on foreign and low-tax intangible income
Deemed Repatriation Tax	Passive income tax at regular tax rates	14% on liquid assets, 7% on physical assets. Election to pay tax over 8 years.	Deduction that results in approx. 14.5% on liquid assets, 7.5% on physical assets. Election to pay tax over 8 years.	Deduction that results in approx. 15% on liquid assets, 8% on non-liquid assets. Election to pay tax over 8 years.