## **SENATE BILL No. 660**

September 15, 2011, Introduced by Senator JANSEN and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967,"

by amending section 681 (MCL 206.681), as added by 2011 PA 38.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- Sec. 681. (1) A—EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED UNDER THIS

  SECTION, A taxpayer that reasonably expects liability for the tax

  year to exceed \$800.00 shall file an estimated return and pay an

  estimated tax for each quarter of the taxpayer's tax year.
  - (2) For taxpayers on a calendar year basis, the quarterly returns and estimated payments shall be made by April 15, July 15, October 15, and January 15. Taxpayers not on a calendar year basis shall file quarterly returns and make estimated payments on the appropriate due date which in the taxpayer's fiscal year corresponds to the calendar year.
    - (3) Except as otherwise provided under this subsection, the

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- 1 estimated payment made with each quarterly return of each tax year
- 2 shall be for the estimated <del>corporate income</del> tax base **THAT IS**
- 3 APPLICABLE TO THE TAXPAYER UNDER CHAPTER 11, 12, OR 13 for the
- 4 quarter or 25% of the estimated annual liability. The second,
- 5 third, and fourth estimated payments in each tax year shall include
- 6 adjustments, if necessary, to correct underpayments or overpayments
- 7 from previous quarterly payments in the tax year to a revised
- 8 estimate of the annual tax liability. For a taxpayer that
- 9 calculates and pays estimated payments for federal income tax
- 10 purposes pursuant to section 6655(e) of the internal revenue code,
- 11 that taxpayer may use the same methodology as used to calculate the
- 12 annualized income installment or the adjusted seasonal installment,
- 13 whichever is used as the basis for the federal estimated payment,
- 14 to calculate the estimated payments required each quarter under
- 15 this section. The interest and penalty provided by this part shall
- 16 not be assessed if any of the following occur:
- 17 (a) If the sum of the estimated payments equals at least 85%
- 18 of the liability and the amount of each estimated payment
- 19 reasonably approximates the tax liability incurred during the
- 20 quarter for which the estimated payment was made.
- 21 (b) For the 2013 tax year and each subsequent tax year, if the
- 22 preceding year's tax liability under this part was \$20,000.00 or
- 23 less and if the taxpayer submitted 4 equal installments the sum of
- 24 which equals the immediately preceding tax year's tax liability.
- 25 (4) Each estimated return shall be made on a form prescribed
- 26 by the department and shall include an estimate of the annual tax
- 27 liability and other information required by the state treasurer.

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- 1 The form prescribed under this subsection may be combined with any
- 2 other tax reporting form prescribed by the department.
- 3 (5) With respect to a taxpayer filing an estimated tax return
- 4 for the taxpayer's first tax year of less than 12 months, the
- 5 amounts paid with each return shall be proportional to the number
- 6 of payments made in the first tax year. A TAXPAYER WITH A TAX YEAR
- 7 OF LESS THAN 4 MONTHS IS NOT REQUIRED TO FILE AN ESTIMATED TAX
- 8 RETURN OR REMIT ESTIMATED PAYMENTS.
- 9 (6) Payments made under this section shall be a credit against
- 10 the payment required with the annual tax return required in section
- **11** 685.
- 12 (7) If the department considers it necessary to insure payment
- 13 of the tax or to provide a more efficient administration of the
- 14 tax, the department may require filing of the returns and payment
- 15 of the tax for other than quarterly or annual periods.
- 16 (8) A taxpayer that elects under the internal revenue code to
- 17 file an annual federal income tax return by March 1 in the year
- 18 following the taxpayer's tax year and does not make a quarterly
- 19 estimate or payment, or does not make a quarterly estimate or
- 20 payment and files a tentative annual return with a tentative
- 21 payment by January 15 in the year following the taxpayer's tax year
- 22 and a final return by April 15 in the year following the taxpayer's
- 23 tax year, has the same option in filing the estimated and annual
- 24 returns required by this part.
- 25 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect January
- **26** 1, 2012.

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