ACT No. 361

HOUSE BILL NO. 416

BY REPRESENTATIVE FARNUM

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 47:1407 and to enact R.S. 47:1515 and 1676(M), relative to the
3	enforcement and adjudication of certain tax matters; to prohibit certain lawsuits
4	against the Department of Revenue and the office of debt recovery; to provide for the
5	jurisdiction of the Board of Tax Appeals; to limit the Board of Tax Appeal's
6	jurisdiction with respect to certain tax matters; to provide for effectiveness; and to
7	provide for related matters.
8	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
9	Section 1. R.S. 47:1407 is hereby amended and reenacted and R.S. 47:1515 and
10	1676(M) are hereby enacted to read as follows:
11	§1407. Jurisdiction of the board
12	A. The jurisdiction of the board shall extend to the following:
13	(1) All matters relating to appeals for the redetermination of assessments, the
14	determination of overpayments, payment under protest petitions, or other matters
15	within its jurisdiction, as provided in R.S. 47:1431 through 1438 or other applicable
16	law.
17	(2) All matters relating to the waiver of penalties, as provided in R.S.
18	47:1451.
19	(3)(a) All matters related to state or local taxes or fees.
20	(b) All other jurisdiction otherwise provided by law, including jurisdiction
21	concerning ad valorem taxes pursuant to Subtitle III of this Title, rules to cease
22	business, ordinary collection suits, summary tax proceedings, rules to seek
23	uniformity of interpretation of common sales and use tax law or local sales and use
24	tax law, as provided in R.S. 47:337.101(A)(2), and petitions concerning the validity

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1	of a collector's rules, regulations, or private letter rulings, as provided in R.S.
2	47:337.102.
3	(4) All matters relating to claims against the state, as provided in R.S.
4	47:1481 through 1486.
5	(5) Incidental demands authorized by law in any action pending before the
6	board in the same manner as in a district court pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure
7	Article 1031.
8	(6) All matters relating to appeals of administrative hearings, assessments,
9	and refund denials by the Louisiana Sales and Use Tax Commission for Remote
10	Sellers.
11	(7) A petition for declaratory judgment or other action relating to any state
12	or local tax or fee, concerning taxing districts and related proceeds, or relating to
13	contracts related to tax matters; and including disputes related to the constitutionality
14	of a law or ordinance or validity of a regulation concerning any related matter or
15	concerning any state or local tax or fee.
16	B. The board shall not have jurisdiction to hear class action lawsuits brought
17	against the secretary of the Department of Revenue by or on behalf of taxpayers or
18	any other interested party arising from or related to the administration of tax laws
19	and all related matters.
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21	§1515. Prohibition of class action lawsuits
22	Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no class action lawsuit shall be
23	brought against the secretary of the Department of Revenue in the Board of Tax
24	Appeals or any state or federal court by or on behalf of taxpayers or any other
25	interested party arising from or related to the administration of tax laws and all
26	related matters.

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§1676. Debt recovery

1 M. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no class action lawsuit may be 2 brought against the office in any state or federal court by or on behalf of any person 3 arising from or related to the administration of this Section and all related matters. 4 Section 2. The provisions of Section 1 of this Act shall be given prospective 5 application only. 6 Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not 7 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature 8 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If 9 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become 10 effective on the day following such approval. SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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