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SENATE BILL NO. 160

BY SENATOR ALLAIN AND REPRESENTATIVE BISHOP

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT. Conforms state partnership reporting adjustments to federal taxable income to current federal partnership audit adjustments. (gov sig)

AN ACT

2	To amend and reenact R.S. 47:103(A)(2)(a) and 201 and to enact R.S. 47:201.2, relative to
3	partnership information returns and partnership audit reporting requirements; to
4	provide for the reporting of federal partnership audit adjustments to the Department
5	of Revenue; to provide definitions; to provide for the reporting of state tax liabilities
6	as a result of partnership audit adjustments; to provide for methodology and
7	procedures for calculating partnership audit adjustments; to provide for the
8	prescriptive period; to provide for effectiveness; and to provide for related matters.
9	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
10	Section 1. R.S. 47:103(A)(2)(a) and 201 are hereby amended and reenacted and R.S.
11	47:201.2 is hereby enacted to read as follows:
12	§103. Time and place for filing returns; information concerning federal return
13	A. * * *
14	(2)(a) Partnership tax returns. Except as provided for in Subparagraph (b) of
15	this Paragraph, returns made by a partnership required to file a partnership return of
16	income made on the basis of the calendar year shall be made and filed with the
17	secretary at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on or before the fifteenth day of April May,

1	following the close of the calendar year. Returns made by a partnership required to
2	file a partnership return of income made on the basis of a fiscal year shall be made
3	and filed with the secretary at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on or before the fifteenth day
4	of the fourth month following the close of the fiscal year.
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6	§201. Partners, not partnership, subject to tax; partnership Partnership
7	<u>informational</u> return of income required; <u>limitations on partner tax</u>
8	<u>liability</u>
9	A. Except as otherwise provided in R.S. 47:201.2, A partnership, as such,
10	<u>a partnership</u> shall not be subject to the income tax imposed by this Chapter, but
11	those partnerships having any member who is not an individual or who is not a
12	resident of Louisiana shall be required to file a partnership return of income a
13	partnership shall be required to file an annual informational partnership return
14	of income in accordance with R.S. 47:103(A)(2).
15	B. Persons carrying on business as partners shall be liable for income tax only
16	in their separate or individual capacities.
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18	§201.2. Reporting adjustments to federal taxable income and federal
19	partnership audit adjustments
20	A. For purposes of this Section, the following words and phrases shall
21	have the following meanings:
22	(1) "Administrative adjustment request" means an administrative
23	adjustment request filed by a partnership pursuant to Section 6227 of the
24	Internal Revenue Code.
25	(2) "Audited partnership" means a partnership subject to a partnership
26	level audit resulting in a federal adjustment.
27	(3) "Corporate partner" means a partner that is subject to corporation
28	income tax pursuant to Part II-A of this Chapter.
29	(4) "Department" means the Department of Revenue.

2	a partnership or pass-through entity.
3	(6) "Exempt partner" means a partner that is otherwise exempt from
4	taxation under this Chapter that is subject to tax on unrelated business taxable
5	income.
6	(7) "Federal adjustment" means a change to an item or amount
7	determined under the Internal Revenue Code that is used by a taxpayer to
8	compute Louisiana income tax due whether that change results from action by
9	the IRS, including a partnership level audit, or the filing of an amended federal
10	return, federal refund claim, or an administrative adjustment request by the
11	taxpayer. A federal adjustment is positive to the extent that it increases state
12	taxable income as determined under this Chapter and is negative to the extent
13	that it decreases state taxable income as determined under this Chapter.
14	(8) "Federal adjustments report" includes methods or forms required
15	and prescribed by the secretary for use by a taxpayer to report final federal
16	adjustments, including an amended Louisiana income tax return, information
17	return, or a uniform multistate report.
18	(9) "Federal partnership representative" means the person the
19	partnership designates for the taxable year as the partnership's representative
20	or the person the IRS has appointed to act as the federal partnership
21	representative pursuant to Section 6223(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.
22	(10) "Final determination date" means the following:
23	(a) Except as provided in Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, if the
24	federal adjustment arises from an IRS audit or other action by the IRS, the final
25	determination date is the first day on which no federal adjustments arising from
26	that audit or other action remain to be finally determined, whether by IRS
27	decision with respect to which all rights of appeal have been waived or
28	exhausted, by agreement, or, if appealed or contested, by a final decision with
29	respect to which all rights of appeal have been waived or exhausted. For

(5) "Direct partner" means a partner that holds an interest directly in

2	determination date is the date on which the last party signed the agreement.
3	(b) For federal adjustments arising from an IRS audit or other action by
4	the IRS, if the taxpayer filed as a member of a federal consolidated return or
5	combined Louisiana return as required by the secretary pursuant to R.S.
6	47:287.480(3), the final determination date means the first day on which no
7	related federal adjustments arising from that audit remain to be finally
8	determined, as described in Subparagraph (a) of this Paragraph, for the entire
9	group.
10	(c) If the federal adjustment results from filing an amended federal
11	return, a federal refund claim, or an administrative adjustment request, or if
12	it is a federal adjustment reported on an amended federal return or other
13	similar report filed pursuant to Section 6225(c) of the Internal Revenue Code,
14	the final determination date means the day on which the amended return,
15	refund claim, administrative adjustment request, or other similar report was
16	<u>filed.</u>
17	(11) "Final federal adjustment" means a federal adjustment after the
18	final determination date for that federal adjustment has passed.
19	(12) "Indirect partner" means a partner in a partnership or
20	pass-through entity that itself holds an interest directly, or through another
21	indirect partner, in a partnership or pass-through entity.
22	(13) "Internal Revenue Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986,
23	as amended, and applicable regulations as promulgated by the United States
24	Department of the Treasury.
25	(14) "IRS" means the Internal Revenue Service of the United States
26	Department of the Treasury.
27	(15) "Nonresident partner" means an individual, trust, or estate partner
28	that is not a resident partner.
29	(16) "Partner" means a person that holds an interest directly or

agreements required to be signed by the IRS and the taxpayer, the final

1	indirectly in a partnership or other pass-through entity.
2	(17) "Partnership" means an entity subject to taxation under Subchapter
3	K of the Internal Revenue Code.
4	(18) "Partnership level audit" means an examination by the IRS at the
5	partnership level pursuant to Subchapter C of Chapter 63 of Subtitle F of the
6	Internal Revenue Code, as enacted by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015, Public
7	Law 114-74, that results in federal adjustments.
8	(19) "Pass-through entity" means an entity, other than a partnership,
9	that is not subject to tax under this Chapter.
10	(20) "Reallocation adjustment" means a federal adjustment resulting
11	from a partnership level audit or an administrative adjustment request that
12	changes the shares of one or more items of partnership income, gain, loss,
13	expense, or credit allocated to direct partners. A positive reallocation
14	adjustment means the portion of a reallocation adjustment that would increase
15	federal income for one or more direct partners, and a negative reallocation
16	adjustment means the portion of a reallocation adjustment that would decrease
17	federal income for one or more direct partners pursuant to Section 6225 of the
18	Internal Revenue Code.
19	(21) "Resident partner" means an individual, trust, or estate partner
20	that is a resident of Louisiana for the relevant tax period. For individuals, the
21	term "resident" has the same meaning as in R.S. 47:31. For trusts and estates,
22	the term "resident" has the same meaning as in R.S. 47:300.10.
23	(22) "Reviewed year" means the taxable year of a partnership that is
24	subject to a partnership level audit from which federal adjustments arise.
25	(23) "Secretary" means the secretary of the Department of Revenue.
26	(24) "Taxpayer" has the same meaning as in R.S. 47:2 and, unless the
27	context clearly indicates otherwise, includes a partnership subject to a
28	partnership level audit or a partnership that has made an administrative
29	adjustment request, as well as a tiered partner of that partnership.

1	(23) Thereti partner means any partner that is a partnership or
2	pass-through entity.
3	(26) "Unrelated business taxable income" has the same meaning as in
4	Section 512 of the Internal Revenue Code.
5	B. Reporting adjustments to federal taxable income, general rule.
6	Except in the case of final federal adjustments that are required to be
7	reported by a partnership and its partners using the procedures in Subsection
8	C of this Section, a taxpayer shall report and pay any Louisiana income tax due
9	with respect to final federal adjustments arising from an audit or other action
10	by the IRS or reported by the taxpayer on a timely filed amended federal
11	income tax return, including a return or other similar report filed pursuant to
12	Section 6225(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or to a federal claim for refund
13	by filing a federal adjustments report with the secretary for the reviewed year
14	and, if applicable, paying the additional Louisiana income tax owed by the
15	taxpayer no later than one hundred eighty days after the final determination
16	date.
17	C. Reporting federal adjustments, partnership level audit and
18	administrative adjustment request. Except for negative federal adjustments
19	required under federal law or regulations to be taken into account by the
20	partnership in the partnership return for the adjustment or other year, and the
21	distributive share of adjustments that have been reported as required pursuant
22	to Subsection B of this Section, partnerships and partners shall report final
23	federal adjustments arising from a partnership level audit or an administrative
24	adjustment request and make payments as required pursuant to this
25	Subsection.
26	(1) State partnership representative.
27	(a) With respect to an action required or permitted to be taken by a
28	partnership under this Subsection or a proceeding under Chapters 17 or 18 of
29	this Subtitle with respect to that action, the state partnership representative for

2	partnership, and the partnership's direct partners and indirect partners shall
3	be bound by those actions.
4	(b) The state partnership representative for the reviewed year is the
5	partnership's federal partnership representative unless the partnership
6	designates in writing another person as its state partnership representative.
7	(c) The secretary may establish reasonable qualifications for and
8	procedures for designating a person, other than the federal partnership
9	representative, to be the state partnership representative.
10	(2) Reporting and payment requirements for partnerships subject to a
11	final federal adjustment and their direct partners. Final federal adjustments
12	subject to the requirements of this Subsection, except for those subject to a
13	properly made election under Paragraph (3) of this Subsection, shall be
14	reported as follows:
15	(a) No later than ninety days after the final determination date, the
16	partnership shall both:
17	(i) File a completed federal adjustments report, including information
18	as required by the secretary, with the department.
19	(ii) Notify each of its direct partners of their distributive share of the
20	final federal adjustments including information as required by the secretary.
21	(b) No later than one hundred eighty days after the final determination
22	date, each direct partner that is taxed under this Chapter shall both:
23	(i) File a federal adjustments report reporting their distributive share of
24	the adjustments reported to them under Item (a)(ii) of this Paragraph as
25	required under this Chapter.
26	(ii) Pay any additional amount of tax due as if final federal adjustments
27	had been properly reported, plus any penalty and interest due under Part IV
28	of Chapter 18 of this Subtitle, and less any credit for related amounts paid or
29	withheld and remitted on behalf of the direct partner by the partnership.

the reviewed year shall have the sole authority to act on behalf of the

1	(3) Partnership election to pay on behalf of partners. Subject to the
2	limitations in Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph, an audited partnership
3	making an election under this Paragraph shall:
4	(a) No later than ninety days after the final determination date, file a
5	completed federal adjustments report, including information as required by the
6	secretary, and notify the department that it is making the election under this
7	Paragraph.
8	(b) No later than one hundred eighty days after the final determination
9	date, pay an amount, determined as follows, in lieu of taxes owed by its direct
10	and indirect partners:
11	(i) Exclude from final federal adjustments the distributive share of these
12	adjustments reported to a direct exempt partner not subject to tax under R.S.
13	47:287.501 with the exception of unrelated business taxable income.
14	(ii) For the total distributive shares of the remaining final federal
15	adjustments reported to direct corporate partners subject to tax under
16	Part II-A of this Chapter and to direct exempt partners subject to tax under this
17	Chapter on unrelated business taxable income, apportion and allocate the
18	adjustments as provided under Part II-A of this Chapter, and multiply the
19	resulting amount by the highest tax rate under R.S. 47:287.12.
20	(iii) For the total distributive shares of the remaining final federal
21	adjustments reported to nonresident direct partners subject to tax under Parts
22	III and VI of this Chapter, determine the amount of the adjustments which is
23	Louisiana source income under Subpart F of Part II of this Chapter, and
24	multiply the resulting amount by the highest tax rate under R.S. 47:32 for
25	individuals and R.S. 47:300.1 for trusts and estates.
26	(iv) For the total distributive shares of the remaining final federal
27	adjustments reported to tiered partners:
28	(aa) Determine the amount of the adjustments which is of a type that it
29	would be subject to sourcing to the state under Subpart F of Part II of this

1	Chapter and then determine the portion of this amount that would be sourced
2	to the state applying the provisions of this Section.
3	(bb) Determine the amount of the adjustments which is of a type that it
4	would not be subject to sourcing to Louisiana by a nonresident partner under
5	R.S. 47:290(B).
6	(cc) Determine the portion of the amount determined in Subclause (b)
7	that can be established, under regulation issued by the secretary, to be properly
8	allocable to nonresident indirect partners or other partners not subject to tax
9	on the adjustments; or that can be excluded under procedures for modified
10	reporting and payment method allowed under Paragraph (5).
11	(v) Multiply the total of the amounts determined in Subparagraphs (a)
12	and (b) reduced by the amount determined in Subparagraph (c) by the highest
13	tax rate under R.S. 47:32 for individuals and R.S. 47:300.1 for trusts and
14	estates.
15	(vi) For the total distributive shares of the remaining final federal
16	adjustments reported to resident direct partners subject to tax under Part III
17	and Part VI of this Chapter, multiply that amount by the highest tax rate under
18	R.S. 47:32 for individuals and R.S. 47:300.1 for trusts and estates.
19	(vii) Add the amounts determined in Items (ii), (iii), (v), and (vi) of this
20	Subparagraph, along with penalty and interest as provided in Part IV of
21	Chapter 18 of this Subtitle.
22	(c) Final federal adjustments subject to the election in this Paragraph
23	exclude both:
24	(i) The distributive share of final audit adjustments that under Subpart
25	D of Part 1 of this Chapter are required to be included in the unitary business
26	income of any direct or indirect corporate partner, provided that the audited
27	partnership can reasonably determine this.
28	(ii) Any final federal adjustments resulting from an administrative
29	adjustment request.

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(d) An audited partnership not otherwise subject to any reporting or payment obligation to Louisiana that makes an election under this Paragraph consents to be subject to Louisiana laws related to reporting, assessment, payment, and collection of Louisiana income tax calculated under this election.

(4) Tiered partners. The direct and indirect partners of an audited partnership that are tiered partners, and all of the partners of those tiered partners that are subject to tax under this Chapter, where applicable, are subject to the reporting and payment requirements of Paragraph (2) of this Subsection and the tiered partners are entitled to make the election provided in Paragraphs (3) and (5) of this Subsection. The tiered partners or their partners shall make required reports and payments no later than ninety days after the time for filing and furnishing statements to tiered partners and their partners as established under Section 6226 of the Internal Revenue Code and the regulations thereunder. The secretary may promulgate rules and regulations to establish procedures and interim time periods for the reports and payments required by tiered partners and their partners and for making the elections under this Subsection.

(5) Modified reporting and payment method. Under procedures adopted by and subject to the approval of the secretary, an audited partnership or tiered partner may enter into an agreement with the department to utilize an alternative reporting and payment method, including applicable time requirements or any other provision of this Subsection, if the audited partnership or tiered partner demonstrates that the requested method will reasonably provide for the reporting and payment of taxes, penalties, and interest due under the provisions of this Subsection, or if the audited partnership or tiered partner can show that their direct partners have agreed to allow a refund of the state income tax to be issued to the entity. Application for approval of an alternative reporting and payment method shall be made by the audited partnership or tiered partner within the time for election as

1	provided in Paragraphs (3) or (4) of this Subsection.
2	(6) Effect of election by an audited partnership or tiered partner and
3	payment of amount due.
4	(a) An election made pursuant to Paragraphs (3) or (5) of this Subsection
5	is irrevocable, unless the secretary in her discretion determines otherwise.
6	(b) If properly reported and paid by the audited partnership or tiered
7	partner, the amount determined in Subparagraph (3)(b) of this Subsection, or
8	similarly under an optional election under Paragraph (5) of this Subsection, will
9	be treated as paid in lieu of income taxes owed by its direct and indirect
10	partners, to the extent applicable, on the same final federal adjustments. The
11	direct partners or indirect partners may not take any deduction or credit for
12	this amount or claim a refund of the amount in this state. Nothing in this
13	Subparagraph shall preclude a direct resident partner from claiming a credit
14	against taxes paid to this state pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter for any
15	amounts paid by the audited partnership or tiered partner on the resident
16	partner's behalf to another state in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 47:33.
17	(7) Failure of audited partnership or tiered partner to report or pay
18	Nothing in this Subsection prevents the department from assessing direct
19	partners or indirect partners for taxes they owe, using the best information
20	available, if a partnership or tiered partner fails to timely make any report or
21	payment required by this Subsection for any reason.
22	D. De minimis exception. The secretary may promulgate rules and
23	regulations to establish a de minimis amount upon which a taxpayer shall not
24	be required to comply with Subsections B and C of this Section.
25	E. Prescriptive period for assessments of additional tax, interest, and
26	penalties arising from adjustments to federal taxable income. The department
27	shall assess additional tax, interest, and penalties arising from final federal
28	adjustments arising from an audit by the IRS, including a partnership level

audit, or reported by the taxpayer on an amended federal income tax return, or

1	as part of an administrative adjustment request by the following dates:
2	(1) Timely reported federal adjustments. If a taxpayer files with the
3	department a federal adjustments report or an amended Louisiana income tax
4	return as required within the period specified in Subsections B and C of this
5	Section, the department may assess any amounts, including in-lieu-of amounts,
6	taxes, interest, and penalties arising from those federal adjustments if the
7	department issues a notice of the assessment in accordance with R.S.
8	47:1561(A)(1) to the taxpayer on or before either of the following dates:
9	(a) The expiration of the prescriptive period specified in La. Const. Art.
10	<u>VII, Sec. 16.</u>
11	(b) The expiration of the one-year period following the date of filing with
12	the department of the federal adjustments report.
13	(2) Untimely reported federal adjustments. If the taxpayer fails to file the
14	federal adjustments report within the period specified in Subsections B or C, as
15	appropriate, or the federal adjustments report filed by the taxpayer omits final
16	federal adjustments or understates the correct amount of tax owed, the
17	department may assess amounts or additional amounts including in-lieu-of
18	amounts, taxes, interest, and penalties arising from the final federal
19	adjustments, if it mails a notice of the assessment in accordance with R.S.
20	47:1561(A)(1) to the taxpayer by a date that is the latest of:
21	(a) The expiration of the prescriptive period specified in La. Const. Art.
22	<u>VII, Sec. 16.</u>
23	(b) The expiration of the one-year period following the date the federal
24	adjustments report was filed with the department.
25	(c) Absent fraud, the expiration of the six-year period following the final
26	determination date.
27	F. Estimated tax payments during the course of a federal audit. A
28	taxpayer may make estimated payments to the department, following the
29	process prescribed by the department, of the state tax expected to result from

1	a pending IRS audit prior to the due date of the federal adjustments report
2	without having to file the report with the department. The estimated tax
3	payments shall be credited against any tax liability ultimately found to be due
4	to the state and will limit the accrual of interest pursuant to R.S. 47:1601 on
5	that amount. If the estimated tax payments exceed the final tax liability and
6	interest is ultimately determined to be due, the taxpayer is entitled to a refund
7	provided the taxpayer files a federal adjustments report or claim for refund of
8	an overpayment of tax pursuant to R.S. 47:1621 no later than one year following
9	the final determination date.
10	G. Claims for refund of an overpayment of tax arising from final federal
11	adjustments made by the IRS or by an administrative adjustment request.
12	(1) Except for negative final federal adjustments required by federal law
13	or regulations to be taken into account by the partnership in the partnership
14	return for the adjustment or other year, a taxpayer may file a claim for a
15	refund of tax arising from final federal adjustments on or before the later of:
16	(a) The expiration of the last day for filing a claim for refund of tax
17	pursuant to R.S. 47:1623, including any extensions under Subsection H of this
18	Section.
19	(b) One year from the date a federal adjustments report prescribed in
20	Subsections B or C of this Section, as applicable, was due to the department,
21	including any extensions pursuant to Subsection H of this Section. The federal
22	adjustments report shall serve as the means for the taxpayer, including a
23	partnership and its tiered partners, direct partners, and indirect partners, to
24	report additional tax due, report a claim for refund of tax, and make other
25	adjustments, including to its net operating losses, resulting from adjustments
26	to the taxpayer's federal taxable income.
27	(2) Any overpayment refunded to the partnership under Subsection C
28	of this Section is in lieu of any state income tax refund that would otherwise be
29	owed to the partners.

1	H. Scope of adjustments and extensions of time.
2	(1) Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the taxpayer and the secretary,
3	any adjustments by the department or by the taxpayer made after the
4	expiration of the prescriptive period provided in La. Const. Art. VII, Sec. 16 are
5	limited to changes to the taxpayer's tax liability arising from federal
6	adjustments.
7	(2) The time periods provided for in Subsections B and C of this Section
8	may be extended either:
9	(a) Automatically, upon written notice to the department, by sixty days
10	for an audited partnership or tiered partner that has ten thousand or more
11	direct partners.
12	(b) By written agreement between the taxpayer and the secretary.
13	(3) Any extension granted under this Subsection for filing the federal
14	adjustments report extends the last day prescribed by law for assessing any
15	additional tax arising from the adjustments to federal taxable income and the
16	period for filing a claim for refund of taxes pursuant to R.S. 47:1623.
17	I. Nothing in this Section shall be interpreted or construed to alter or
18	limit the secretary's duty and authority to determine the correct amount of tax
19	pursuant to R.S. 47:1541 and the correct amount reportable pursuant to the
20	Internal Revenue Code for federal taxable income or federal adjusted gross
21	income purposes.
22	Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
23	signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
24	by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
25	vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
26	effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Leonore Heavey.

DIGEST

SB Original

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<u>Present law</u> requires that the due date for partnership information returns for the previous calendar year is April 15th.

Proposed law changes the due date for partnership information returns to May 15th.

Present law provides that partnerships are not subject to state income tax.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for an exception to <u>present law</u> for partnerships that make elections to pay income tax audit adjustments on behalf of their partners under proposed law.

<u>Present law</u> requires partnerships with nonresident members to file annual informational returns with the Dept. of Revenue.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires all partnerships doing business in Louisiana to file annual informational returns.

<u>Proposed law</u> defines "partnership" as an entity subject to taxation pursuant to Subchapter K of the Internal Revenue Code.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for the reporting of partnership audit adjustments of federal taxable income to the Dept. of Revenue.

Proposed law provides for definitions.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides the general rule for taxpayers not using optional procedures in <u>proposed law</u> that a taxpayer shall report and pay any Louisiana income tax due with respect to final federal adjustments arising from an audit or other action by the IRS or reported by the taxpayer on a timely filed amended federal income tax return no later than 180 days after the final determination date.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that except for negative federal adjustments and in the case where the taxpayer follows the general rule that partnerships and partners shall report final federal adjustments arising from a partnership level audit or an administrative adjustment request and make payments as required by proposed law.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for the designation of a state partnership representative for the reviewed year who has the sole authority to act on behalf of the partnership and to bind all partners.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires that final federal adjustments be reported no later than 90 days after the final determination date and that the partnership must notify the department of the adjustments and notify the direct partners of their distributive share of the final federal adjustments.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires that within 180 days of the final determination date each direct partner must file a federal adjustment report with the state and pay any additional amount due.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes a partnership election under which the partnership pays any state taxes owed on federal partnership audit adjustments on behalf of its partners.

Proposed law provides that partnerships making the partnership pays election must file a

federal adjustments report with the department notifying the department of its partnership pays election within 90 days of the final determination date.

<u>Proposed law</u> further provides that partnerships making the partnership pays election shall pay an amount in lieu of taxes owed by its partners at the highest corporate rate for corporate partners and at the highest individual income tax rate for partners that are individuals, estates, or trusts.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for exclusions from state tax for certain federal adjustments.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that a partnership not otherwise subject to state filing and payment obligations that makes the partnership pays election is consenting to be subject to the tax laws of this state.

<u>Proposed law</u> makes provisions for reporting adjustments and making payments for tiered partners.

Proposed law authorizes the secretary to provide for de minimus exceptions by rule.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for prescriptive periods for the assessment of additional state tax, interest, and penalties arising from adjustments to federal taxable income.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes state estimated tax payments to be made during a federal audit prior to the due date of the federal adjustments report and that any estimated payments will be credited against any state tax later determined to be due or refunded if it is determined that the estimated payment exceeded the tax liability.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for procedures for claims for refund of an overpayment of tax arising from final federal adjustments made by the IRS.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that any state income tax refund made to a partnership that makes the partnership pays election is in lieu of any refund that would otherwise be owed to the partners for the state adjustment.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that unless the secretary and the taxpayer have a written agreement to the contrary, that all state adjustments made after a tax period prescribes are limited to tax liability changes arising from the federal adjustments.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the secretary to grant extensions of time for partners and partnerships to file the federal adjustments report.

<u>Proposed law provides that proposed law does not alter the secretary's authority to determine the correct amount of tax reportable by the taxpayer to the IRS.</u>

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 47:103(A)(2)(a) and 201; adds R.S. 47:201.2)