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HB 29 Reengrossed

2016 First Extraordinary Session

Leger

Abstract: Changes the corporate income tax rate <u>from</u> a graduated schedule of rates dependent on the taxable income of the taxpayer to a flat rate of 6.5%.

<u>Present law</u> provides that the tax to be assessed, levied, collected, and paid on the La. taxable income of every corporation shall be computed at the following rates:

- (1) 4% on the first \$25,000 of La. taxable income.
- (2) 5% on La. taxable income above \$25,000 but not in excess of \$50,000.
- (3) 6% on La. taxable income above \$50,000 but not in excess of \$100,000.
- (4) 7% on La. taxable income above \$100,000 but not in excess of \$200,000.
- (5) 8% on all La. taxable income in excess of \$200,000.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes <u>present law</u> by deleting the graduated schedule of rates dependant on the amount of taxable income of the taxpayer in favor of a flat 6.5% corporate income tax rate.

Applicable to all tax years beginning on and after Jan. 1, 2017.

Effective Jan. 1, 2017 if the proposed amendment of Article VII of the Constitution of La. contained in the Act which originated as House Bill No. 31 of the 2016 First E.S. of the Legislature is adopted at a statewide election and becomes effective.

(Amends R.S. 47:287.12)

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The House Floor Amendments to the engrossed bill:

- 1. Change the corporate income tax rates <u>from</u> a graduated system dependent on the amount of taxable income of the taxpayer to a flat rate of 6.5%.
- 2. Add an effective date of Jan. 1, 2017.