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SUBJECT: Application of State and County Income Taxes to Residents with Out-of-State Income and Nonresidents with Indiana Source Income

REFERENCE: [IC 6-3-1-3.5](#); [IC 6-3-1-12](#); [IC 6-3-1-13](#); [IC 6-3-2-2](#); [IC 6-3-3-3](#); [IC 6-3-4-15](#); [IC 6-3-5-1](#)

INTRODUCTION

Full-year Indiana residents must report all income that is reported for federal income tax purposes on their Indiana individual income tax return (Form IT-40; Form IT-40EZ). This includes all income, even if it is derived from sources outside Indiana.

Full-year nonresidents who received income from Indiana sources must file an Indiana individual income tax return (Form IT-40PNR). They are subject to tax on that part of their total federal income that is derived from or connected with Indiana sources. If the nonresident's only Indiana source income was from an Indiana partnership or S corporation, they shall be included in the entity's composite return, and are not required to file Form IT-40PNR.

Part-year Indiana residents must file an Indiana individual income tax return (Form IT-40PNR). They are subject to tax on that part of their total federal income that was received while they were residents of Indiana. Also taxable is income from Indiana sources received while they were nonresidents of Indiana.

If a joint federal income tax return is filed, a joint Indiana return is also required. If separate federal income tax returns are filed, separate Indiana returns are also required.

I. INCOME RECEIVED FROM INDIANA SOURCES

Income received from Indiana sources is considered Indiana income to nonresidents, except certain types of Indiana source income that are subject to tax only by the taxpayer's state of legal residence. Interest, dividends, royalties and gains from the sale of capital assets are subject to tax only by the taxpayer's state of legal residence unless such income results from the conduct of a trade or business in Indiana. If a trade or business is conducted in Indiana, the income should be reported as Indiana income.

Income from a qualified pension, annuity, or profit sharing plan is subject to tax by the taxpayer's state of legal residence. Lump sum distributions from qualified plans are subject to tax by the state that, at the time of distribution, is the taxpayer's state of legal residence.

Deferred compensation other than from a qualified retirement plan, accumulated vacation, bonus, severance, sick pay, and income from a stock option plan are directly attributable to services performed, and are taxable by the state where the services were performed.

II. STATE TAX AGREEMENTS

Taxpayers may be subject to individual income tax by both their state of residence and the state from which the income is derived. The State of Indiana has entered into agreements with several states to eliminate the requirement of paying tax to two states on the same income. Tax treatment of out-of-state income depends upon the types of income and the state from which the income is derived.

In the case of tax credits, Indiana only allows credits for individual income tax paid to other states or localities. Other taxes such as property taxes, corporate income taxes and unincorporated business taxes are not allowed

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VI. NON-INDIANA LOCALITY EARNINGS DEDUCTION

A non-Indiana locality earnings deduction is available to those who pay income tax to a locality outside Indiana. The term "locality" refers to a city, county, or other political subdivision, but not other state taxes paid or withheld.

The deduction is limited to the lesser of:

1. The amount of income taxed by the out-of-state locality; or
2. \$2,000

Claim the deduction on the annual income tax return, Form IT-40 or Form IT-40PNR.

VII. COUNTY INCOME TAX CREDIT

All Indiana residents who are subject to a county income tax and are also required to pay income taxes to a locality outside Indiana are allowed a credit against their Indiana county tax liability. However, this credit is not allowed against the county economic development income tax (CEDIT).

The credit for taxes paid to a locality outside Indiana must be supported by a separate calculation of the credit. If the taxpayer is required to file a return with the locality in another state, a copy of the return must be submitted with the claim for credit. Withholding statements or other evidence of tax payment will be acceptable if no return is required to be filed with the locality outside Indiana.

Persons claiming a county credit for taxes paid to out-of-state localities must add the deduction taken for non-Indiana locality earnings back to their state taxable income after arriving at their county taxable income.

The allowable credit is equal to the lesser of:

1. The amount of income tax actually paid to a locality in another state;
2. The amount of adjusted gross income taxed by the locality outside of the State of Indiana multiplied by the county rate* which the taxpayer is subject to; or
3. The amounts of county tax due on the Indiana return.

**See the Rate Conversion Chart in the annual IT-40 Full-Year Resident or IT-40PNR Part-Year Nonresident individual income tax booklets for the appropriate rate to use to figure the credit.*

On a joint return, the credit should be calculated separately for the husband and wife. Any unused credit attributable to one spouse cannot be used to reduce the other spouse's county tax liability.

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