## **DIGEST**

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Talbot HB No. 586

**Abstract:** Changes the tax levied on the net income of individuals <u>from</u> a graduated system of rates and brackets <u>to</u> a flat tax of 1.9% of the net income of individuals in excess of \$12,500.

<u>Present law</u> provides for a tax to be assessed, levied, collected and paid upon the taxable income of an individual to be computed as follows:

- (1) 2% on that portion of the first \$12,500 of net income;
- (2) 4% on the next \$37,500 of net income;
- (3) 6% on any amount of net income in excess of \$50,000.

<u>Proposed law</u> changes <u>present law</u> by deleting the income tax rates and brackets of <u>present law</u> and implementing a flat tax of 1.9% on net income of an individual in excess of \$12,500. <u>Present law</u> provides that in the case of joint returns, the combined tax of <u>present law</u> shall be doubled.

Proposed law repeals present law.

Effective Jan. 1, 2014, and shall be applicable to all tax years beginning on and after Jan. 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 47:32(A); Repeals R.S. 47:32(B))