

2015 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 234

BY REPRESENTATIVES FOIL, BARROW, LEGER, AND THIERRY

TAX/INCOME TAX: Excludes qualified deposits in ABLE Accounts from "tax table income" for purposes of calculating individual income tax

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xviii), relative to individual income tax; to provide relative to tax  
3 table income; to exclude certain contributions to savings accounts for financing  
4 qualified expenses of persons with disabilities; to provide for an effective date; and  
5 to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xviii) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 §293. Definitions

9 The following definitions shall apply throughout this Part, unless the context  
10 requires otherwise:

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12 (9)(a) "Tax table income", for resident individuals, means adjusted gross  
13 income plus interest on obligations of a state or political subdivision thereof, other  
14 than Louisiana and its municipalities, title to which obligations vested with the  
15 resident individual on or subsequent to January 1, 1980, and less:

16 \* \* \*

17 (xviii) For tax years beginning on and after January 1, 2016, the amount  
18 deposited in a special savings account for financing of certain qualified expenses of  
19 persons with disabilities as provided for in R.S. 46:1721 et seq., and any interest  
20 accrued; however, any deposit plus interest withdrawn from an account for purposes

1 other than paying qualified expenses of persons with disabilities, as defined in R.S.  
2 46:1721 et seq. shall be included in tax table income.

3 \* \* \*

4 Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2016, and  
5 shall be applicable for all tax years beginning on and after January 1, 2016.

DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Excludes qualified deposits in ABLE Accounts from "tax table income" for purposes of calculating individual income tax.

Present law establishes the ABLE Account Program to assist individuals in saving private funds for the purpose of supporting persons with disabilities.

Present law defines "tax table income" for resident individuals for purposes of calculating individual income tax. Tax table income excludes certain grants, loans, and other expenses, deposits, and deductions.

Proposed law retains present law but adds qualified amounts deposited into ABLE Accounts as provided in present law from being included in tax table income.

Effective Jan. 1, 2016, and applicable to all tax years beginning on and after that date.

(Adds R.S. 47:293(9)(a)(xviii))