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A BILL

- FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section

 77-2715.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2007; to change

 income tax calculations; and to repeal the original

 section.
- Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 77-2715.02, Revised Statutes

- 2 Supplement, 2007, is amended to read:
- 3 77-2715.02 (1) Whenever the primary rate is changed by
- 4 the Legislature under section 77-2715.01, the Tax Commissioner
- 5 shall update the rate schedules required in subsection (2) of this
- 6 section to reflect the new primary rate and shall publish such
- 7 updated schedules.
- 8 (2) The following rate schedules are hereby established
- 9 for the Nebraska individual income tax and shall be in the
- 10 following form:
- 11 (a) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin before
- 12 January 1, 2007, income amounts for columns A and E shall be:
- 13 (i) \$0, \$2,400, \$17,500, and \$27,000, for single returns;
- 14 (ii) \$0, \$4,000, \$31,000, and \$50,000, for married filing
- 15 joint returns;
- 16 (iii) \$0, \$3,800, \$25,000, and \$35,000, for
- 17 head-of-household returns;
- 18 (iv) \$0, \$2,000, \$15,500, and \$25,000, for married filing
- 19 separate returns; and
- 20 (v) \$0, \$500, \$4,700, and \$15,150, for estates and
- 21 trusts;
- 22 (b) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or
- 23 after January 1, 2007, and before January 1, 2009, income amounts
- 24 for columns A and E shall be:
- 25 (i) \$0, \$2,400, \$17,500, and \$27,000, for single returns;

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1 (ii) \$0, \$4,800, \$35,000, and \$54,000, for married filing

- 2 joint returns;
- 3 (iii) \$0, \$4,500, \$28,000, and \$40,000, for
- 4 head-of-household returns;
- 5 (iv) \$0, \$2,400, \$17,500, and \$27,000, for married filing
- 6 separate returns; and
- 7 (v) \$0, \$500, \$4,700, and \$15,150, for estates and
- 8 trusts;
- 9 (c) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1,
- 10 2009, income amounts for columns A and E shall be:
- 11 (i) \$0, \$5,000, \$20,000, and \$35,000, for single returns;
- 12 <u>(ii)</u> \$0, \$10,000, \$40,000, and \$70,000, for married
- 13 <u>filing joint returns;</u>
- 14 (iii) \$0, \$9,500, \$32,000, and \$52,500, for
- 15 head-of-household returns;
- 16 (iv) \$0, \$5,000, \$20,000, and \$35,000, for married filing
- 17 separate returns; and
- 18 (v) \$0, \$1,000, \$5,000, and \$20,000, for estates and
- 19 trusts;
- 20 (c) (d) The amount in column C shall be the total amount
- 21 of the tax imposed on income less than the amount in column A;
- 22 (d) (e) The amount in column D shall be the rate on the
- 23 income in excess of the amount in column E;
- 24 (e) (f) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin
- 25 before January 1, 2003, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986,

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1 as amended, the primary rate set by the Legislature shall be

- 2 multiplied by the following factors to compute the tax rates for
- 3 column D. The factors for the brackets, from lowest to highest
- 4 bracket, shall be .6784, .9432, 1.3541, and 1.8054;
- 5 (f) (g) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin
- 6 on or after January 1, 2003, under the Internal Revenue Code of
- 7 1986, as amended, the primary rate set by the Legislature shall
- 8 be multiplied by the following factors to compute the tax rates
- 9 for column D. The factors for the brackets, from lowest to highest
- 10 bracket, shall be .6932, .9646, 1.3846, and 1.848;
- 11 (g) (h) The amounts for column C shall be rounded to the
- 12 nearest dollar, and the amounts in column D shall be rounded to
- 13 hundredths of one percent; and
- 14 (h) (i) One rate schedule shall be established for each
- 15 federal filing status.
- 16 (3) The tax rate schedules shall use the format set forth
- 17 in this subsection.
- **18** A B C D E
- 19 Taxable income but not pay plus of the
- 20 over over amount over
- 21 (4) The tax rate applied to other federal taxes included
- 22 in the computation of the Nebraska individual income tax shall be
- 23 eight times the primary rate.
- 24 (5) The Tax Commissioner shall prepare, from the rate
- 25 schedules, tax tables which can be used by a majority of the

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1 taxpayers to determine their Nebraska tax liability. The design of

- 2 the tax tables shall be determined by the Tax Commissioner. The
- 3 size of the tax table brackets may change as the level of income
- 4 changes. The difference in tax between two tax table brackets shall
- 5 not exceed fifteen dollars. The Tax Commissioner may build the
- 6 personal exemption credit and standard deduction amounts into the
- 7 tax tables.
- 8 (6) The Tax Commissioner may require by rule and
- 9 regulation that all taxpayers shall use the tax tables if their
- 10 income is less than the maximum income included in the tax tables.
- 11 Sec. 2. Original section 77-2715.02, Revised Statutes
- 12 Supplement, 2007, is repealed.