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LEGISLATIVE BILL 38

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- A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section
 77-2716, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to provide an
 income tax adjustment related to federal retirement annuities; and
 to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 77-2716, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
 2022, is amended to read:

3 77-2716 (1) The following adjustments to federal adjusted gross
4 income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall
5 be made for interest or dividends received:

6 (a)(i) There shall be subtracted interest or dividends received by 7 the owner of obligations of the United States and its territories and 8 possessions or of any authority, commission, or instrumentality of the 9 United States to the extent includable in gross income for federal income 10 tax purposes but exempt from state income taxes under the laws of the 11 United States; and

(ii) There shall be subtracted interest received by the owner of obligations of the State of Nebraska or its political subdivisions or authorities which are Build America Bonds to the extent includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes;

16 (b) There shall be subtracted that portion of the total dividends 17 and other income received from a regulated investment company which is 18 attributable to obligations described in subdivision (a) of this 19 subsection as reported to the recipient by the regulated investment 20 company;

(c) There shall be added interest or dividends received by the owner of obligations of the District of Columbia, other states of the United States, or their political subdivisions, authorities, commissions, or instrumentalities to the extent excluded in the computation of gross income for federal income tax purposes except that such interest or dividends shall not be added if received by a corporation which is a regulated investment company;

(d) There shall be added that portion of the total dividends and
other income received from a regulated investment company which is
attributable to obligations described in subdivision (c) of this
subsection and excluded for federal income tax purposes as reported to

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1 the recipient by the regulated investment company; and

2 (e)(i) Any amount subtracted under this subsection shall be reduced 3 by any interest on indebtedness incurred to carry the obligations or 4 securities described in this subsection or the investment in the 5 regulated investment company and by any expenses incurred in the 6 production of interest or dividend income described in this subsection to 7 the extent that such expenses, including amortizable bond premiums, are 8 deductible in determining federal taxable income.

9 (ii) Any amount added under this subsection shall be reduced by any 10 expenses incurred in the production of such income to the extent 11 disallowed in the computation of federal taxable income.

(2) There shall be allowed a net operating loss derived from or 12 connected with Nebraska sources computed under rules and regulations 13 adopted and promulgated by the Tax Commissioner consistent, to the extent 14 possible under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, with the laws of the 15 United States. For a resident individual, estate, or trust, the net 16 17 operating loss computed on the federal income tax return shall be adjusted by the modifications contained in this section. For a 18 nonresident individual, estate, or trust or for a partial-year resident 19 individual, the net operating loss computed on the federal return shall 20 be adjusted by the modifications contained in this section and any 21 22 carryovers or carrybacks shall be limited to the portion of the loss 23 derived from or connected with Nebraska sources.

(3) There shall be subtracted from federal adjusted gross income for all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1987, the amount of any state income tax refund to the extent such refund was deducted under the Internal Revenue Code, was not allowed in the computation of the tax due under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, and is included in federal adjusted gross income.

30 (4) Federal adjusted gross income, or, for a fiduciary, federal
31 taxable income shall be modified to exclude the portion of the income or

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1 loss received from a small business corporation with an election in 2 effect under subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code or from a limited 3 liability company organized pursuant to the Nebraska Uniform Limited 4 Liability Company Act that is not derived from or connected with Nebraska 5 sources as determined in section 77-2734.01.

6 (5) There shall be subtracted from federal adjusted gross income or, 7 for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income dividends 8 received or deemed to be received from corporations which are not subject 9 to the Internal Revenue Code.

10 (6) There shall be subtracted from federal taxable income a portion 11 of the income earned by a corporation subject to the Internal Revenue 12 Code of 1986 that is actually taxed by a foreign country or one of its 13 political subdivisions at a rate in excess of the maximum federal tax 14 rate for corporations. The taxpayer may make the computation for each 15 foreign country or for groups of foreign countries. The portion of the 16 taxes that may be deducted shall be computed in the following manner:

(a) The amount of federal taxable income from operations within a
foreign taxing jurisdiction shall be reduced by the amount of taxes
actually paid to the foreign jurisdiction that are not deductible solely
because the foreign tax credit was elected on the federal income tax
return;

(b) The amount of after-tax income shall be divided by one minus the
maximum tax rate for corporations in the Internal Revenue Code; and

(c) The result of the calculation in subdivision (b) of this subsection shall be subtracted from the amount of federal taxable income used in subdivision (a) of this subsection. The result of such calculation, if greater than zero, shall be subtracted from federal taxable income.

(7) Federal adjusted gross income shall be modified to exclude any
amount repaid by the taxpayer for which a reduction in federal tax is
allowed under section 1341(a)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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1 (8)(a) Federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and 2 fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be reduced, to the extent 3 included, by income from interest, earnings, and state contributions 4 received from the Nebraska educational savings plan trust created in 5 sections 85-1801 to 85-1817 and any account established under the 6 achieving a better life experience program as provided in sections 7 77-1401 to 77-1409.

8 (b) Federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be reduced by any contributions 9 as a participant in the Nebraska educational savings plan trust or 10 contributions to an account established under the achieving a better life 11 experience program made for the benefit of a beneficiary as provided in 12 sections 77-1401 to 77-1409, to the extent not deducted for federal 13 14 income tax purposes, but not to exceed five thousand dollars per married filing separate return or ten thousand dollars for any other return. With 15 respect to a qualified rollover within the meaning of section 529 of the 16 Internal Revenue Code from another state's plan, any interest, earnings, 17 and state contributions received from the other state's educational 18 savings plan which is qualified under section 529 of the code shall 19 qualify for the reduction provided in this subdivision. For contributions 20 by a custodian of a custodial account including rollovers from another 21 custodial account, the reduction shall only apply to funds added to the 22 23 custodial account after January 1, 2014.

24 (c) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after 25 January 1, 2021, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, federal adjusted gross income shall be reduced, to the extent included in 26 the adjusted gross income of an individual, by the amount of any 27 contribution made by the individual's employer into an account under the 28 Nebraska educational savings plan trust owned by the individual, not to 29 exceed five thousand dollars per married filing separate return or ten 30 31 thousand dollars for any other return.

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(d) Federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and
 fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be increased by:

3 (i) The amount resulting from the cancellation of a participation 4 agreement refunded to the taxpayer as a participant in the Nebraska 5 educational savings plan trust to the extent previously deducted under 6 subdivision (8)(b) of this section; and

7 (ii) The amount of any withdrawals by the owner of an account 8 established under the achieving a better life experience program as 9 provided in sections 77-1401 to 77-1409 for nonqualified expenses to the 10 extent previously deducted under subdivision (8)(b) of this section.

(9)(a) For income tax returns filed after September 10, 2001, for 11 taxable years beginning or deemed to begin before January 1, 2006, under 12 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, federal adjusted gross 13 income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall 14 be increased by eighty-five percent of any amount of any federal bonus 15 16 depreciation received under the federal Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002 or the federal Jobs and Growth Tax Act of 2003, 17 under section 168(k) or section 1400L of the Internal Revenue Code of 18 19 1986, as amended, for assets placed in service after September 10, 2001, and before December 31, 2005. 20

(b) For a partnership, limited liability company, cooperative, including any cooperative exempt from income taxes under section 521 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative association, subchapter S corporation, or joint venture, the increase shall be distributed to the partners, members, shareholders, patrons, or beneficiaries in the same manner as income is distributed for use against their income tax liabilities.

(c) For a corporation with a unitary business having activity both
inside and outside the state, the increase shall be apportioned to
Nebraska in the same manner as income is apportioned to the state by
section 77-2734.05.

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1 (d) The amount of bonus depreciation added to federal adjusted gross 2 income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income by this subsection shall be subtracted in a later taxable year. Twenty 3 4 percent of the total amount of bonus depreciation added back by this 5 subsection for tax years beginning or deemed to begin before January 1, 2003, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, may be 6 7 subtracted in the first taxable year beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2005, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as 8 9 amended, and twenty percent in each of the next four following taxable years. Twenty percent of the total amount of bonus depreciation added 10 11 back by this subsection for tax years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2003, may be subtracted in the first taxable year 12 beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2006, under the 13 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and twenty percent in each of 14 the next four following taxable years. 15

16 (10) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2003, and before January 1, 2006, under the Internal Revenue 17 Code of 1986, as amended, federal adjusted gross income or, for 18 corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be increased 19 by the amount of any capital investment that is expensed under section 20 179 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that is in excess 21 of twenty-five thousand dollars that is allowed under the federal Jobs 22 and Growth Tax Act of 2003. Twenty percent of the total amount of 23 24 expensing added back by this subsection for tax years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2003, may be subtracted in the first 25 taxable year beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2006, 26 under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and twenty percent 27 in each of the next four following tax years. 28

(11)(a) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin before
January 1, 2018, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended,
federal adjusted gross income shall be reduced by contributions, up to

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1 two thousand dollars per married filing jointly return or one thousand 2 dollars for any other return, and any investment earnings made as a 3 participant in the Nebraska long-term care savings plan under the Long-4 Term Care Savings Plan Act, to the extent not deducted for federal income 5 tax purposes.

(b) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin before January 1, 6 2018, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, federal 7 adjusted gross income shall be increased by the withdrawals made as a 8 9 participant in the Nebraska long-term care savings plan under the act by a person who is not a qualified individual or for any reason other than 10 transfer of funds to a spouse, long-term care expenses, long-term care 11 insurance premiums, or death of the participant, including withdrawals 12 13 made by reason of cancellation of the participation agreement, to the extent previously deducted as a contribution or as investment earnings. 14

(12) There shall be added to federal adjusted gross income for individuals, estates, and trusts any amount taken as a credit for franchise tax paid by a financial institution under sections 77-3801 to 77-3807 as allowed by subsection (5) of section 77-2715.07.

(13)(a) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2015, and before January 1, 2025, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, federal adjusted gross income shall be reduced by the amount received as benefits under the federal Social Security Act which are included in the federal adjusted gross income if:

(i) For taxpayers filing a married filing joint return, federal
adjusted gross income is fifty-eight thousand dollars or less; or

(ii) For taxpayers filing any other return, federal adjusted gross
 income is forty-three thousand dollars or less.

(b) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after
January 1, 2020, and before January 1, 2025, under the Internal Revenue
Code of 1986, as amended, the Tax Commissioner shall adjust the dollar
amounts provided in subdivisions (13)(a)(i) and (ii) of this section by

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1 the same percentage used to adjust individual income tax brackets under 2 subsection (3) of section 77-2715.03.

3 (c) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after 4 January 1, 2021, and before January 1, 2025, under the Internal Revenue 5 Code of 1986, as amended, a taxpayer may claim the reduction to federal 6 adjusted gross income allowed under this subsection or the reduction to 7 federal adjusted gross income allowed under subsection (14) of this 8 section, whichever provides the greater reduction.

9 (14)(a) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after 10 January 1, 2021, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, 11 federal adjusted gross income shall be reduced by a percentage of the 12 social security benefits that are received and included in federal 13 adjusted gross income. The pertinent percentage shall be:

(i) Five percent for taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on
or after January 1, 2021, and before January 1, 2022, under the Internal
Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

(ii) Forty percent for taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on
or after January 1, 2022, and before January 1, 2023, under the Internal
Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

(iii) Sixty percent for taxable years beginning or deemed to begin
on or after January 1, 2023, and before January 1, 2024, under the
Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

(iv) Eighty percent for taxable years beginning or deemed to begin
on or after January 1, 2024, and before January 1, 2025, under the
Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; and

(v) One hundred percent for taxable years beginning or deemed to
begin on or after January 1, 2025, under the Internal Revenue Code of
1986, as amended.

(b) For purposes of this subsection, social security benefits meansbenefits received under the federal Social Security Act.

31 (c) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after

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January 1, 2021, and before January 1, 2025, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, a taxpayer may claim the reduction to federal adjusted gross income allowed under this subsection or the reduction to federal adjusted gross income allowed under subsection (13) of this section, whichever provides the greater reduction.

6 (15)(a) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2015, and before January 1, 2022, under the Internal Revenue 7 Code of 1986, as amended, an individual may make a one-time election 8 9 within two calendar years after the date of his or her retirement from the military to exclude income received as a military retirement benefit 10 by the individual to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income 11 and as provided in this subdivision. The individual may elect to exclude 12 13 forty percent of his or her military retirement benefit income for seven consecutive taxable years beginning with the year in which the election 14 is made or may elect to exclude fifteen percent of his or her military 15 retirement benefit income for all taxable years beginning with the year 16 in which he or she turns sixty-seven years of age. 17

(b) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2022, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, an individual may exclude one hundred percent of the military retirement benefit income received by such individual to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income.

(c) For purposes of this subsection, military retirement benefit means retirement benefits that are periodic payments attributable to service in the uniformed services of the United States for personal services performed by an individual prior to his or her retirement. The term includes retirement benefits described in this subdivision that are reported to the individual on either:

(i) An Internal Revenue Service Form 1099-R received from the United
States Department of Defense; or

31 (ii) An Internal Revenue Service Form 1099-R received from the

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1 United States Office of Personnel Management.

2 (16) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after 3 January 1, 2021, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, 4 federal adjusted gross income shall be reduced by the amount received as 5 a Segal AmeriCorps Education Award, to the extent such amount is included 6 in federal adjusted gross income.

7 (17) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after 8 January 1, 2022, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, 9 federal adjusted gross income shall be reduced by the amount received by 10 or on behalf of a firefighter for cancer benefits under the Firefighter 11 Cancer Benefits Act to the extent included in federal adjusted gross 12 income.

(18) There shall be subtracted from the federal adjusted gross income of individuals any amount received by the individual as student loan repayment assistance under the Teach in Nebraska Today Act, to the extent such amount is included in federal adjusted gross income.

17 (19) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2023, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, a 18 19 retired individual who was employed full time as a certified law enforcement officer for at least twenty years and who is at least sixty 20 years of age as of the end of the taxable year may reduce his or her 21 federal adjusted gross income by the amount of health insurance premiums 22 23 paid by such individual during the taxable year, to the extent such 24 premiums were not already deducted in determining the individual's 25 federal adjusted gross income.

26 (20) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after 27 January 1, 2024, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, an 28 individual may reduce his or her federal adjusted gross income by the 29 amounts received as annuities under the Federal Employees Retirement 30 System or the Civil Service Retirement System which were earned for being 31 employed by the federal government, to the extent such amounts are

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1 <u>included in federal adjusted gross income</u>.

2 Sec. 2. Original section 77-2716, Revised Statutes Cumulative

3 Supplement, 2022, is repealed.