

1                   **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION**

2                   STATE OF OKLAHOMA

3                   1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

4                   HOUSE BILL 1539

By: Lepak of the House

5                   and

6                   **Bergstrom** of the Senate

9                   AS INTRODUCED

10                  **[ revenue and taxation - income tax rates - method**

11                  **for reduction - revenue determination - State Board**

12                  **of Equalization - effective date ]**

15                  BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

16                  SECTION 1.       AMENDATORY       68 O.S. 2021, Section 2355, as

17                  last amended by Section 1, Chapter 27, 1st Extraordinary Session,

18                  O.S.L. 2023 (68 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 2355), is amended to read

19                  as follows:

20                  Section 2355. A. Individuals. For all taxable years beginning  
21                  after December 31, 1998, and before January 1, 2006, a tax is hereby  
22                  imposed upon the Oklahoma taxable income of every resident or  
23                  nonresident individual, which tax shall be computed at the option of  
24                  the taxpayer under one of the two following methods:

## 1. METHOD 1.

a. Single individuals and married individuals filing separately not deducting federal income tax:

(1) 1/2% tax on first \$1,000.00 or part thereof,

(2) 1% tax on next \$1,500.00 or part thereof,

(3) 2% tax on next \$1,250.00 or part thereof,

(4) 3% tax on next \$1,150.00 or part thereof,

(5) 4% tax on next \$1,300.00 or part thereof,

(6) 5% tax on next \$1,500.00 or part thereof,

(7) 6% tax on next \$2,300.00 or part thereof, and

(8) (a) for taxable years beginning after December

31, 1998, and before  
tax on the remainder,

- (b) for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, and before January 1, 2004, 7% tax on the remainder, and
- (c) for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2004, 6.65% tax on the remainder.

b. Married individuals filing jointly and surviving

spouse to the extent and in the manner that a

surviving spouse is permitted to file a joint return

under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and

heads of households as defined in the Internal Revenue

Code not deducting federal income tax:

- (1) 1/2% tax on first \$2,000.00 or part thereof,
  - (2) 1% tax on next \$3,000.00 or part thereof,
  - (3) 2% tax on next \$2,500.00 or part thereof,
  - (4) 3% tax on next \$2,300.00 or part thereof,
  - (5) 4% tax on next \$2,400.00 or part thereof,
  - (6) 5% tax on next \$2,800.00 or part thereof,
  - (7) 6% tax on next \$6,000.00 or part thereof, and
  - (8) (a) for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998, and before January 1, 2002, 6.75% tax on the remainder,  
(b) for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, and before January 1, 2004, 7% tax on the remainder, and  
(c) for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2004, 6.65% tax on the remainder.

## 2. METHOD 2.

- a. Single individuals and married individuals filing separately deducting federal income tax:
    - (1) 1/2% tax on first \$1,000.00 or part thereof,
    - (2) 1% tax on next \$1,500.00 or part thereof,
    - (3) 2% tax on next \$1,250.00 or part thereof,
    - (4) 3% tax on next \$1,150.00 or part thereof,
    - (5) 4% tax on next \$1,200.00 or part thereof,
    - (6) 5% tax on next \$1,400.00 or part thereof,

- (7) 6% tax on next \$1,500.00 or part thereof,
  - (8) 7% tax on next \$1,500.00 or part thereof,
  - (9) 8% tax on next \$2,000.00 or part thereof,
  - (10) 9% tax on next \$3,500.00 or part thereof, and
  - (11) 10% tax on the remainder.

- b. Married individuals filing jointly and surviving spouse to the extent and in the manner that a surviving spouse is permitted to file a joint return under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and heads of households as defined in the Internal Revenue Code deducting federal income tax:

- (1) 1/2% tax on the first \$2,000.00 or part thereof,
  - (2) 1% tax on the next \$3,000.00 or part thereof,
  - (3) 2% tax on the next \$2,500.00 or part thereof,
  - (4) 3% tax on the next \$1,400.00 or part thereof,
  - (5) 4% tax on the next \$1,500.00 or part thereof,
  - (6) 5% tax on the next \$1,600.00 or part thereof,
  - (7) 6% tax on the next \$1,250.00 or part thereof,
  - (8) 7% tax on the next \$1,750.00 or part thereof,
  - (9) 8% tax on the next \$3,000.00 or part thereof,
  - (10) 9% tax on the next \$6,000.00 or part thereof, and
  - (11) 10% tax on the remainder.

B. Individuals. For all taxable years beginning on or after

24 January 1, 2008, and ending any tax year which begins after December

1   31, 2015, for which the determination required pursuant to Sections  
2   4 and 5 of this act is made by the State Board of Equalization, a  
3   tax is hereby imposed upon the Oklahoma taxable income of every  
4   resident or nonresident individual, which tax shall be computed as  
5   follows:

6       1. Single individuals and married individuals filing  
7   separately:

- 8             (a) 1/2% tax on first \$1,000.00 or part thereof,
- 9             (b) 1% tax on next \$1,500.00 or part thereof,
- 10            (c) 2% tax on next \$1,250.00 or part thereof,
- 11            (d) 3% tax on next \$1,150.00 or part thereof,
- 12            (e) 4% tax on next \$2,300.00 or part thereof,
- 13            (f) 5% tax on next \$1,500.00 or part thereof,
- 14            (g) 5.50% tax on the remainder for the 2008 tax year and  
15              any subsequent tax year unless the rate prescribed by  
16              subparagraph (h) of this paragraph is in effect, and
- 17            (h) 5.25% tax on the remainder for the 2009 and subsequent  
18              tax years. The decrease in the top marginal  
19              individual income tax rate otherwise authorized by  
20              this subparagraph shall be contingent upon the  
21              determination required to be made by the State Board  
22              of Equalization pursuant to Section 2355.1A of this  
23              title.

1       2. Married individuals filing jointly and surviving spouse to  
2       the extent and in the manner that a surviving spouse is permitted to  
3       file a joint return under the provisions of the Internal Revenue  
4       Code and heads of households as defined in the Internal Revenue  
5       Code:

- 6             (a) 1/2% tax on first \$2,000.00 or part thereof,
- 7             (b) 1% tax on next \$3,000.00 or part thereof,
- 8             (c) 2% tax on next \$2,500.00 or part thereof,
- 9             (d) 3% tax on next \$2,300.00 or part thereof,
- 10            (e) 4% tax on next \$2,400.00 or part thereof,
- 11            (f) 5% tax on next \$2,800.00 or part thereof,
- 12            (g) 5.50% tax on the remainder for the 2008 tax year and  
13              any subsequent tax year unless the rate prescribed by  
14              subparagraph (h) of this paragraph is in effect, and
- 15            (h) 5.25% tax on the remainder for the 2009 and subsequent  
16              tax years. The decrease in the top marginal  
17              individual income tax rate otherwise authorized by  
18              this subparagraph shall be contingent upon the  
19              determination required to be made by the State Board  
20              of Equalization pursuant to Section 2355.1A of this  
21              title.

22       C. Individuals. For all taxable years beginning on or after  
23       January 1, 2024, and except as provided pursuant to the provisions  
24       of subsection D of this section, a tax is hereby imposed upon the

1 Oklahoma taxable income of every resident or nonresident individual,  
2 which tax shall be computed as follows:

3       1. Single individuals and married individuals filing  
4 separately:

- 5           (a) 0.25% tax on first \$1,000.00 or part thereof,
- 6           (b) 0.75% tax on next \$1,500.00 or part thereof,
- 7           (c) 1.75% tax on next \$1,250.00 or part thereof,
- 8           (d) 2.75% tax on next \$1,150.00 or part thereof,
- 9           (e) 3.75% tax on next \$2,300.00 or part thereof,
- 10          (f) 4.75% tax on the remainder.

11       2. Married individuals filing jointly and surviving spouse to  
12 the extent and in the manner that a surviving spouse is permitted to  
13 file a joint return under the provisions of the Internal Revenue  
14 Code and heads of households as defined in the Internal Revenue  
15 Code:

- 16           (a) 0.25% tax on first \$2,000.00 or part thereof,
- 17           (b) 0.75% tax on next \$3,000.00 or part thereof,
- 18           (c) 1.75% tax on next \$2,500.00 or part thereof,
- 19           (d) 2.75% tax on next \$2,300.00 or part thereof,
- 20           (e) 3.75% tax on next \$4,600.00 or part thereof,
- 21           (f) 4.75% tax on the remainder.

22       No deduction for federal income taxes paid shall be allowed to  
23 any taxpayer to arrive at taxable income.

1       D. 1. "Qualifying cumulative revenue growth" means an increase  
2       of at least Three Hundred Million Dollars (\$300,000,000.00) in  
3       excess of the applicable base year amount, which shall include any  
4       decrease in the total collections amount for any fiscal year which  
5       reflects a decline in total revenue collections. If the total  
6       revenue collections equal or exceed Three Hundred Million Dollars  
7       (\$300,000,000.00) using either a comparison of one fiscal year to  
8       the next succeeding fiscal year or equal or exceed Three Hundred  
9       Million Dollars (\$300,000,000.00) as a result of multiple successive  
10      comparisons, which shall take into account any comparison which  
11      results in an increase of less than Three Hundred Million Dollars  
12      (\$300,000,000.00) or which results in a decline in total collections  
13      from the preceding year, then if such cumulative net total,  
14      including any year in which total collections declined, equals or  
15      exceeds Three Hundred Million Dollars (\$300,000,000.00) then the  
16      next decrease in the income tax rates as described by this  
17      subsection shall be implemented.

18       2. "Total revenue collections" includes all revenue sources  
19      reported in the annual report of the Oklahoma Tax Commission  
20      excluding any tax collected by the Commission from levies imposed by  
21      counties, cities, towns or any other entity of local government.

22       3. Except as otherwise provided by this subsection, for all  
23      taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, a tax is hereby  
24      imposed upon the Oklahoma taxable income of every resident or

1 nonresident individual, which tax shall be as prescribed in  
2 paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection C of this section reduced in each  
3 of the rates as prescribed by paragraph 1 or paragraph 2 of  
4 subsection C of this section by twenty-five hundredths of one  
5 percent (0.0025), expressed as a decimal, for purposes of the  
6 reduction, for any income tax year beginning on the January 1 date  
7 immediately succeeding a fiscal year ending on the preceding June 30  
8 for which the State Board of Equalization makes a certification, at  
9 its December meeting, that total revenue collections for such fiscal  
10 year exceeded the qualifying cumulative revenue growth by Three  
11 Hundred Million Dollars (\$300,000,000.00) or more.

12 4. The State Board of Equalization, at its December meeting  
13 each year, shall make a determination regarding the possibility of a  
14 decrease in the income tax rate otherwise prescribed by this  
15 subsection. If the revenue conditions prescribed by this subsection  
16 are met, which shall be included as part of the findings of the  
17 State Board of Equalization, then the income tax rates otherwise  
18 prescribed by paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection C of this section  
19 shall be reduced by twenty-five hundredths of one percent (0.0025)  
20 effective on January 1 of the calendar year immediately following  
21 the year during which the State Board of Equalization makes the  
22 finding that qualifying cumulative revenue growth as defined by this  
23 subsection is sufficient to reduce the income tax rates otherwise  
24 prescribed by paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection C of this section.

1   For purposes of this subsection, the total collections from all  
2   revenue sources for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, shall be  
3   the initial base year amount.

4       5. Beginning with the December 2025 meeting of the State Board  
5       of Equalization and at each succeeding December meeting, the State  
6       Board shall compare the total revenue collections amount for the  
7       fiscal year ending on the immediately preceding June 30 date, to the  
8       applicable base year total collections amount. If there is an  
9       increase in the total collections amount equal to or greater than  
10      Three Hundred Million Dollars (\$300,000,000.00) compared to the  
11      initial base year total collections amount, the income tax rates  
12      otherwise prescribed by paragraphs 1 and 2 of subsection C of this  
13      section shall be reduced effective January 1 of the immediately  
14      succeeding calendar year. If there is not an increase of at least  
15      Three Hundred Million Dollars (\$300,000,000.00) in the total  
16      collections amount as reflected in the December certification of  
17      total collections compared to the applicable base year total  
18      collection amount, there shall be no modification of such income tax  
19      rates.

20       6. For any fiscal year with respect to which the qualifying  
21      cumulative revenue growth as determined at the December meeting  
22      equals or exceeds the applicable base year total collection amount  
23      by Three Hundred Million Dollars (\$300,000,000.00) or more, the  
24      applicable base year total collections amount shall be adjusted for

1    purposes of any succeeding comparison by adding Three Hundred  
2    Million Dollars (\$300,000,000.00) plus the increment of all revenues  
3    exceeding Three Hundred Million Dollars (\$300,000,000.00) to the  
4    prior base year amount and the resulting sum shall become the  
5    adjusted base year amount for purposes of future computations  
6    required by this subsection.

7    7. After an adjustment is made to any base year amount, a  
8    reduction in the income tax rate otherwise prescribed pursuant to  
9    this subsection, in increments of twenty-five hundredths of one  
10   percent (0.0025), may only occur if there is a subsequent increase  
11   of Three Hundred Million Dollars (\$300,000,000.00) or more in the  
12   qualifying cumulative revenue growth as defined by this subsection.  
13   Subject to the determinations regarding the increase in total  
14   collections as defined by this subsection, the reductions prescribed  
15   by this subsection shall be made for all applicable income tax years  
16   until the rates of individual income tax as prescribed by paragraphs  
17   1 and 2 of subsection C of this section equals zero (0).

18   8. For purposes of reporting total collections for purposes of  
19   this subsection, the Oklahoma Tax Commission shall use the same  
20   methodology used to report estimated revenues to the State Board of  
21   Equalization that was used to make the report for the December, 2024  
22   meeting.

23   E. Nonresident aliens. In lieu of the rates set forth in  
24   subsection A above this section, there shall be imposed on

1 nonresident aliens, as defined in the Internal Revenue Code, a tax  
2 of eight percent (8%) instead of thirty percent (30%) as used in the  
3 Internal Revenue Code, with respect to the Oklahoma taxable income  
4 of such nonresident aliens as determined under the provision of the  
5 Oklahoma Income Tax Act.

6 Every payer of amounts covered by this subsection shall deduct  
7 and withhold from such amounts paid each payee an amount equal to  
8 eight percent (8%) thereof. Every payer required to deduct and  
9 withhold taxes under this subsection shall for each quarterly period  
10 on or before the last day of the month following the close of each  
11 such quarterly period, pay over the amount so withheld as taxes to  
12 the Tax Commission, and shall file a return with each such payment.  
13 Such return shall be in such form as the Tax Commission shall  
14 prescribe. Every payer required under this subsection to deduct and  
15 withhold a tax from a payee shall, as to the total amounts paid to  
16 each payee during the calendar year, furnish to such payee, on or  
17 before January 31, of the succeeding year, a written statement  
18 showing the name of the payer, the name of the payee and the payee's  
19 Social Security account number, if any, the total amount paid  
20 subject to taxation, and the total amount deducted and withheld as  
21 tax and such other information as the Tax Commission may require.  
22 Any payer who fails to withhold or pay to the Tax Commission any  
23 sums herein required to be withheld or paid shall be personally and  
24 individually liable therefor to the State of Oklahoma.

1       E. F. Corporations. For all taxable years beginning after  
2 December 31, 2021, a tax is hereby imposed upon the Oklahoma taxable  
3 income of every corporation doing business within this state or  
4 deriving income from sources within this state in an amount equal to  
5 four percent (4%) thereof.

6           There shall be no additional Oklahoma income tax imposed on  
7 accumulated taxable income or on undistributed personal holding  
8 company income as those terms are defined in the Internal Revenue  
9 Code.

10       F. G. Certain foreign corporations. In lieu of the tax imposed  
11 in the first paragraph of subsection ~~D~~ F of this section, for all  
12 taxable years beginning after December 31, 2021, there shall be  
13 imposed on foreign corporations, as defined in the Internal Revenue  
14 Code, a tax of four percent (4%) instead of thirty percent (30%) as  
15 used in the Internal Revenue Code, where such income is received  
16 from sources within Oklahoma, in accordance with the provisions of  
17 the Internal Revenue Code and the Oklahoma Income Tax Act.

18           Every payer of amounts covered by this subsection shall deduct  
19 and withhold from such amounts paid each payee an amount equal to  
20 four percent (4%) thereof. Every payer required to deduct and  
21 withhold taxes under this subsection shall for each quarterly period  
22 on or before the last day of the month following the close of each  
23 such quarterly period, pay over the amount so withheld as taxes to  
24 the Tax Commission, and shall file a return with each such payment.

1 Such return shall be in such form as the Tax Commission shall  
2 prescribe. Every payer required under this subsection to deduct and  
3 withhold a tax from a payee shall, as to the total amounts paid to  
4 each payee during the calendar year, furnish to such payee, on or  
5 before January 31, of the succeeding year, a written statement  
6 showing the name of the payer, the name of the payee and the payee's  
7 Social Security account number, if any, the total amounts paid  
8 subject to taxation, the total amount deducted and withheld as tax  
9 and such other information as the Tax Commission may require. Any  
10 payer who fails to withhold or pay to the Tax Commission any sums  
11 herein required to be withheld or paid shall be personally and  
12 individually liable therefor to the State of Oklahoma.

13       G. H. Fiduciaries. A tax is hereby imposed upon the Oklahoma  
14 taxable income of every trust and estate at the same rates as are  
15 provided in subsection B ~~or~~, C, or D of this section for single  
16 individuals. Fiduciaries are not allowed a deduction for any  
17 federal income tax paid.

18       H. I. Tax rate tables. For all taxable years beginning after  
19 December 31, 1991, in lieu of the tax imposed by subsection A, B ~~or~~,  
20 C, or D of this section, as applicable there is hereby imposed for  
21 each taxable year on the taxable income of every individual, whose  
22 taxable income for such taxable year does not exceed the ceiling  
23 amount, a tax determined under tables, applicable to such taxable  
24 year which shall be prescribed by the Tax Commission and which shall

1 be in such form as it determines appropriate. In the table so  
2 prescribed, the amounts of the tax shall be computed on the basis of  
3 the rates prescribed by subsection A, B ~~or~~, C, or D of this section.  
4 For purposes of this subsection, the term "ceiling amount" means,  
5 with respect to any taxpayer, the amount determined by the Tax  
6 Commission for the tax rate category in which such taxpayer falls.

7 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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9 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND BUDGET, dated  
03/06/2025 - DO PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.