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FLOOR AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

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- (Patrons Prior to Substitute—Delegates Hugo and Jones, S.C. [HB 2355])
- A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 58.1-301, 58.1-322.03, and 58.1-402 of the Code of Virginia, relating
- 6 7 to conformity of the Commonwealth's taxation system with the Internal Revenue Code; Virginia 8 taxable income.
- 9 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That §§ 58.1-301, 58.1-322.03, and 58.1-402 of the Code of Virginia are amended and reenacted 10 11 as follows:

§ 58.1-301. Conformity to Internal Revenue Code.

A. Any term used in this chapter shall have the same meaning as when used in a comparable context 13 14 in the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes, unless a different meaning is clearly 15 required.

B. Any reference in this chapter to the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes 16 17 shall mean the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, and amendments thereto, and other provisions of the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes, as they existed on February 18 19 9 December 31, 2018, except for:

20 1. The special depreciation allowance for certain property provided for under §§ 168(k), 168(l), 21 168(m), 1400L, and 1400N of the Internal Revenue Code;

2. The carry-back of certain net operating losses for five years under § 172(b)(1)(H) of the Internal 22 23 Revenue Code:

24 3. The original issue discount on applicable high yield discount obligations under § 163(e)(5)(F) of 25 the Internal Revenue Code;

26 4. The deferral of certain income under § 108(i) of the Internal Revenue Code. For Virginia income 27 tax purposes, income from the discharge of indebtedness in connection with the reacquisition of an 28 "applicable debt instrument" (as defined under § 108(i) of the Internal Revenue Code) reacquired in the 29 taxable year shall be fully included in the taxpayer's Virginia taxable income for the taxable year, unless 30 the taxpayer elects to include such income in the taxpayer's Virginia taxable income ratably over a three-taxable-year period beginning with taxable year 2009 for transactions completed in taxable year 31 32 2009, or over a three-taxable-year period beginning with taxable year 2010 for transactions completed in 33 taxable year 2010 on or before April 21, 2010. For purposes of such election, all other provisions of § 108(i) of the Internal Revenue Code shall apply mutatis mutandis. No other deferral shall be allowed 34 35 for income from the discharge of indebtedness in connection with the reacquisition of an "applicable 36 debt instrument"; and

37 5. The amount of the deduction allowed for domestic production activities pursuant to § 199 of the 38 Internal Revenue Code for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2010. For Virginia income tax 39 purposes, two-thirds of the amount deducted pursuant to § 199 of the Internal Revenue Code for federal 40 income tax purposes during the taxable year may be deducted for Virginia income tax purposes for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2010. For taxable years beginning on and after January 41 42 1, 2013, the entire amount of the deduction allowed for domestic production activities pursuant to § 199 of the Internal Revenue Code may be deducted for Virginia income tax purposes; 43

44 6. The provisions of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the Act) enacted December 22, 2017, as Public Law 115-97, provided, however, that this exception shall not apply to the following: 45

a. Treatment of certain individuals performing services in the Sinai Peninsula of Egypt pursuant to 46 47 <u>§ 11026 of the Act:</u> **48**

b. Relief for 2016 disaster areas pursuant to § 11028 of the Act;

49 e. Any other provision of the Act that affects the computation of federal adjusted gross income of 50 individuals or federal taxable income of corporations for taxable years beginning after December 31, 51 2016, and before January 1, 2018, other than the temporary reduction in the medical expense deduction 52 floor pursuant to § 11027 of the Act; and

53 7. The provisions of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 enacted February 9, 2018, as Public Law 54 115-123, that affect any taxable year other than a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2016, and 55 before January 1, 2018.

5. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2019, the provisions of § 11046 of the 56 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, P.L. 115-97 (2017), related to the suspension of the overall limitation on 57 58 *itemized deductions.*

59 The Department of Taxation is hereby authorized to develop procedures or guidelines for HB2529S2

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60 implementation of the provisions of this section, which procedures or guidelines shall be exempt from the provisions of the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.). 61

62 § 58.1-322.03. Virginia taxable income; deductions.

63 In computing Virginia taxable income pursuant to § 58.1-322, there shall be deducted from Virginia 64 adjusted gross income as defined in § 58.1-321:

65 1. a. The amount allowable for itemized deductions for federal income tax purposes where the 66 taxpayer has elected for the taxable year to itemize deductions on his federal return, but reduced by the amount of income taxes imposed by the Commonwealth or any other taxing jurisdiction and deducted 67 on such federal return and increased by an amount that, when added to the amount deducted under 68 § 170 of the Internal Revenue Code for mileage, results in a mileage deduction at the state level for 69 70 such purposes at a rate of 18 cents per mile; or

b. Three thousand dollars for single individuals and \$6,000 for married persons (one-half of such 71 72 amounts in the case of a married individual filing a separate return), provided Provided that the taxpayer has not itemized deductions for the taxable year on his federal income tax return: (i) for taxable years 73 beginning before January 1, 2019, and on and after January 1, 2026, \$3,000 for single individuals and 74 75 \$6,000 for married persons (one-half of such amounts in the case of a married individual filing a separate return) and (ii) for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2019, but before January 76 1, 2026, \$4,500 for single individuals and \$9,000 for married persons (one-half of such amounts in the 77 78 case of a married individual filing a separate return). For purposes of this section, any person who may 79 be claimed as a dependent on another taxpayer's return for the taxable year may compute the deduction 80 only with respect to earned income.

2. a. A deduction in the amount of \$930 for each personal exemption allowable to the taxpayer for 81 82 federal income tax purposes.

83 b. Each blind or aged taxpayer as defined under § 63(f) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be 84 entitled to an additional personal exemption in the amount of \$800.

85 The additional deduction for blind or aged taxpayers allowed under this subdivision shall be 86 allowable regardless of whether the taxpayer itemizes deductions for the taxable year for federal income 87 tax purposes.

88 3. A deduction equal to the amount of employment-related expenses upon which the federal credit is 89 based under § 21 of the Internal Revenue Code for expenses for household and dependent care services 90 necessary for gainful employment.

91 4. An additional \$1,000 deduction for each child residing for the entire taxable year in a home under 92 permanent foster care placement as defined in § 63.2-908, provided that the taxpayer can also claim the 93 child as a personal exemption under § 151 of the Internal Revenue Code. 94

5. a. A deduction in the amount of \$12,000 for individuals born on or before January 1, 1939.

b. A deduction in the amount of \$12,000 for individuals born after January 1, 1939, who have 95 96 attained the age of 65. This deduction shall be reduced by \$1 for every \$1 that the taxpayer's adjusted 97 federal adjusted gross income exceeds \$50,000 for single taxpayers or \$75,000 for married taxpayers. For married taxpayers filing separately, the deduction shall be reduced by \$1 for every \$1 that the total 98 99 combined adjusted federal adjusted gross income of both spouses exceeds \$75,000.

100 For the purposes of this subdivision, "adjusted federal adjusted gross income" means federal adjusted gross income minus any benefits received under Title II of the Social Security Act and other benefits 101 102 subject to federal income taxation solely pursuant to § 86 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

6. The amount an individual pays as a fee for an initial screening to become a possible bone marrow 103 104 donor, if (i) the individual is not reimbursed for such fee or (ii) the individual has not claimed a 105 deduction for the payment of such fee on his federal income tax return.

7. a. A deduction shall be allowed to the purchaser or contributor for the amount paid or contributed 106 during the taxable year for a prepaid tuition contract or college savings trust account entered into with the Virginia College Savings Plan, pursuant to Chapter 7 (§ 23.1-700 et seq.) of Title 23.1. Except as 107 108 109 provided in subdivision b, the amount deducted on any individual income tax return in any taxable year 110 shall be limited to \$4,000 per prepaid tuition contract or college savings trust account. No deduction shall be allowed pursuant to this subdivision 7 if such payments or contributions are deducted on the 111 112 purchaser's or contributor's federal income tax return. If the purchase price or annual contribution to a college savings trust account exceeds \$4,000, the remainder may be carried forward and subtracted in 113 114 future taxable years until the purchase price or college savings trust contribution has been fully deducted; however, except as provided in subdivision b, in no event shall the amount deducted in any 115 116 taxable year exceed \$4,000 per contract or college savings trust account. Notwithstanding the statute of limitations on assessments contained in § 58.1-312, any deduction taken hereunder shall be subject to 117 118 recapture in the taxable year or years in which distributions or refunds are made for any reason other 119 than (i) to pay qualified higher education expenses, as defined in § 529 of the Internal Revenue Code or 120 (ii) the beneficiary's death, disability, or receipt of a scholarship. For the purposes of this subdivision, "purchaser" or "contributor" means the person shown as such on the records of the Virginia College 121

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Savings Plan as of December 31 of the taxable year. In the case of a transfer of ownership of a prepaid tuition contract or college savings trust account, the transferee shall succeed to the transferor's tax attributes associated with a prepaid tuition contract or college savings trust account, including, but not limited to, carryover and recapture of deductions.

b. A purchaser of a prepaid tuition contract or contributor to a college savings trust account who has
attained age 70 shall not be subject to the limitation that the amount of the deduction not exceed \$4,000
per prepaid tuition contract or college savings trust account in any taxable year. Such taxpayer shall be
allowed a deduction for the full amount paid for the contract or contributed to a college savings trust
account, less any amounts previously deducted.

8. The total amount an individual actually contributed in funds to the Virginia Public School
Construction Grants Program and Fund, established in Chapter 11.1 (§ 22.1-175.1 et seq.) of Title 22.1,
provided that the individual has not claimed a deduction for such amount on his federal income tax
return.

9. An amount equal to 20 percent of the tuition costs incurred by an individual employed as a primary or secondary school teacher licensed pursuant to Chapter 15 (§ 22.1-289.1 et seq.) of Title 22.1 to attend continuing teacher education courses that are required as a condition of employment; however, the deduction provided by this subdivision shall be available only if (i) the individual is not reimbursed for such tuition costs and (ii) the individual has not claimed a deduction for the payment of such tuition costs on his federal income tax return.

10. The amount an individual pays annually in premiums for long-term health care insurance,
provided that the individual has not claimed a deduction for federal income tax purposes, or, for taxable
years beginning before January 1, 2014, a credit under § 58.1-339.11. For taxable years beginning on
and after January 1, 2014, no such deduction for long-term health care insurance premiums paid by the
individual during the taxable year shall be allowed if the individual has claimed a federal income tax
deduction for such taxable year for long-term health care insurance premiums paid by him.

147 11. Contract payments to a producer of quota tobacco or a tobacco quota holder, or their spouses, as
148 provided under the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 (P.L. 108-357), but only to the extent that such
149 payments have not been subtracted pursuant to subsection D of § 58.1-402, as follows:

a. If the payment is received in installment payments, then the recognized gain may be subtracted in the taxable year immediately following the year in which the installment payment is received.

b. If the payment is received in a single payment, then 10 percent of the recognized gain may be
subtracted in the taxable year immediately following the year in which the single payment is received.
The taxpayer may then deduct an equal amount in each of the nine succeeding taxable years.

155 12. An amount equal to 20 percent of the sum paid by an individual pursuant to Chapter 6 156 (§ 58.1-600 et seq.), not to exceed \$500 in each taxable year, in purchasing for his own use the 157 following items of tangible personal property: (i) any clothes washers, room air conditioners, 158 dishwashers, and standard size refrigerators that meet or exceed the applicable energy star efficiency 159 requirements developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of 160 Energy; (ii) any fuel cell that (a) generates electricity using an electrochemical process, (b) has an electricity-only generation efficiency greater than 35 percent, and (c) has a generating capacity of at least 161 162 two kilowatts; (iii) any gas heat pump that has a coefficient of performance of at least 1.25 for heating 163 and at least 0.70 for cooling; (iv) any electric heat pump hot water heater that yields an energy factor of 164 at least 1.7; (v) any electric heat pump that has a heating system performance factor of at least 8.0 and 165 a cooling seasonal energy efficiency ratio of at least 13.0; (vi) any central air conditioner that has a 166 cooling seasonal energy efficiency ratio of at least 13.5; (vii) any advanced gas or oil water heater that has an energy factor of at least 0.65; (viii) any advanced oil-fired boiler with a minimum annual 167 168 fuel-utilization rating of 85; (ix) any advanced oil-fired furnace with a minimum annual fuel-utilization 169 rating of 85; and (x) programmable thermostats.

170 13. The lesser of \$5,000 or the amount actually paid by a living donor of an organ or other living 171 tissue for unreimbursed out-of-pocket expenses directly related to the donation that arose within 12 172 months of such donation, provided that the donor has not taken a medical deduction in accordance with 173 the provisions of § 213 of the Internal Revenue Code for such expenses. The deduction may be taken in 174 the taxable year in which the donation is made or the taxable year in which the 12-month period 175 expires.

176 14. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2013, the amount an individual age 66 or older with earned income of at least \$20,000 for the year and federal adjusted gross income not in excess of \$30,000 for the year pays annually in premiums for (i) a prepaid funeral insurance policy covering the individual or (ii) medical or dental insurance for any person for whom individual tax filers may claim a deduction for such premiums under federal income tax laws. As used in this subdivision, "earned income" means the same as that term is defined in § 32(c) of the Internal Revenue Code. The deduction shall not be allowed for any portion of such premiums paid for which the individual has (a)

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183 been reimbursed, (b) claimed a deduction for federal income tax purposes, (c) claimed a deduction or 184 subtraction under another provision of this section, or (d) claimed a federal income tax credit or any 185 income tax credit pursuant to this chapter.

186 15. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, 20 percent of business interest 187 disallowed as a deduction pursuant to \S 163(j) of the Internal Revenue Code. For purposes of this 188 subdivision, "business interest" means the same as that term is defined under § 163(i) of the Internal 189 Revenue Code.

190 16. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2019, the actual amount of real and 191 personal property taxes imposed by the Commonwealth or any other taxing jurisdiction not otherwise 192 deducted solely on account of the dollar limitation imposed on individual deductions by § 164(b)(6)(B)193 of the Internal Revenue Code.

§ 58.1-402. Virginia taxable income.

195 A. For purposes of this article, Virginia taxable income for a taxable year means the federal taxable 196 income and any other income taxable to the corporation under federal law for such year of a corporation 197 adjusted as provided in subsections B, C, D, and E, and G.

198 For a regulated investment company and a real estate investment trust, such term means the 199 "investment company taxable income" and "real estate investment trust taxable income," respectively, to 200 which shall be added in each case any amount of capital gains and any other income taxable to the 201 corporation under federal law which shall be further adjusted as provided in subsections B, C, D, and E, 202 and G. 203

B. There shall be added to the extent excluded from federal taxable income:

204 1. Interest, less related expenses to the extent not deducted in determining federal taxable income, on 205 obligations of any state other than Virginia, or of a political subdivision of any such other state unless 206 created by compact or agreement to which the Commonwealth is a party;

207 2. Interest or dividends, less related expenses to the extent not deducted in determining federal taxable income, on obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the 208 209 United States, which the laws of the United States exempt from federal income tax but not from state 210 income taxes; 211

3. [Repealed.]

4. The amount of any net income taxes and other taxes, including franchise and excise taxes, which 212 213 are based on, measured by, or computed with reference to net income, imposed by the Commonwealth 214 or any other taxing jurisdiction, to the extent deducted in determining federal taxable income; 215

5. Unrelated business taxable income as defined by § 512 of the Internal Revenue Code;

6. [Repealed.]

217 7. The amount required to be included in income for the purpose of computing the partial tax on an 218 accumulation distribution pursuant to § 667 of the Internal Revenue Code;

219 8. a. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2004, the amount of any intangible expenses and costs directly or indirectly paid, accrued, or incurred to, or in connection directly or 220 indirectly with one or more direct or indirect transactions with one or more related members to the 221 222 extent such expenses and costs were deductible or deducted in computing federal taxable income for 223 Virginia purposes. This addition shall not be required for any portion of the intangible expenses and 224 costs if one of the following applies:

225 (1) The corresponding item of income received by the related member is subject to a tax based on or 226 measured by net income or capital imposed by Virginia, another state, or a foreign government that has 227 entered into a comprehensive tax treaty with the United States government;

228 (2) The related member derives at least one-third of its gross revenues from the licensing of intangible property to parties who are not related members, and the transaction giving rise to the expenses and costs between the corporation and the related member was made at rates and terms 229 230 231 comparable to the rates and terms of agreements that the related member has entered into with parties 232 who are not related members for the licensing of intangible property; or

(3) The corporation can establish to the satisfaction of the Tax Commissioner that the intangible 233 234 expenses and costs meet both of the following: (i) the related member during the same taxable year 235 directly or indirectly paid, accrued or incurred such portion to a person who is not a related member, 236 and (ii) the transaction giving rise to the intangible expenses and costs between the corporation and the 237 related member did not have as a principal purpose the avoidance of any portion of the tax due under 238 this chapter.

239 b. A corporation required to add to its federal taxable income intangible expenses and costs pursuant 240 to subdivision a may petition the Tax Commissioner, after filing the related income tax return for the taxable year and remitting to the Tax Commissioner all taxes, penalties, and interest due under this 241 article for such taxable year including tax upon any amount of intangible expenses and costs required to 242 243 be added to federal taxable income pursuant to subdivision a, to consider evidence relating to the 244 transaction or transactions between the corporation and a related member or members that resulted in the

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corporation's taxable income being increased, as required under subdivision a, for such intangible 245 246 expenses and costs.

247 If the corporation can demonstrate to the Tax Commissioner's sole satisfaction, by clear and 248 convincing evidence, that the transaction or transactions between the corporation and a related member 249 or members resulting in such increase in taxable income pursuant to subdivision a had a valid business 250 purpose other than the avoidance or reduction of the tax due under this chapter, the Tax Commissioner 251 shall permit the corporation to file an amended return. For purposes of such amended return, the 252 requirements of subdivision a shall not apply to any transaction for which the Tax Commissioner is 253 satisfied (and has identified) that the transaction had a valid business purpose other than the avoidance 254 or reduction of the tax due under this chapter. Such amended return shall be filed by the corporation 255 within one year of the written permission granted by the Tax Commissioner and any refund of the tax 256 imposed under this article shall include interest at a rate equal to the rate of interest established under § 58.1-15 and such interest shall accrue as provided under § 58.1-1833. However, upon the filing of 257 258 such amended return, any related member of the corporation that subtracted from taxable income amounts received pursuant to subdivision C 21 shall be subject to the tax imposed under this article on 259 that portion of such amounts for which the corporation has filed an amended return pursuant to this 260 261 subdivision. In addition, for such transactions identified by the Tax Commissioner herein by which he 262 has been satisfied by clear and convincing evidence, the Tax Commissioner may permit the corporation 263 in filing income tax returns for subsequent taxable years to deduct the related intangible expenses and 264 costs without making the adjustment under subdivision a.

265 The Tax Commissioner may charge a fee for all direct and indirect costs relating to the review of 266 any petition pursuant to this subdivision, to include costs necessary to secure outside experts in 267 evaluating the petition. The Tax Commissioner may condition the review of any petition pursuant to this subdivision upon payment of such fee. 268

269 No suit for the purpose of contesting any action of the Tax Commissioner under this subdivision 270 shall be maintained in any court of this Commonwealth.

271 c. Nothing in subdivision B 8 shall be construed to limit or negate the Department's authority under 272 § 58.1-446;

273 9. a. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2004, the amount of any interest expenses 274 and costs directly or indirectly paid, accrued, or incurred to, or in connection directly or indirectly with 275 one or more direct or indirect transactions with one or more related members to the extent such 276 expenses and costs were deductible or deducted in computing federal taxable income for Virginia 277 purposes. This addition shall not be required for any portion of the interest expenses and costs, if:

278 (1) The related member has substantial business operations relating to interest-generating activities, in 279 which the related member pays expenses for at least five full-time employees who maintain, manage, 280 defend or are otherwise responsible for operations or administration relating to the interest-generating 281 activities; and

282 (2) The interest expenses and costs are not directly or indirectly for, related to or in connection with 283 the direct or indirect acquisition, maintenance, management, sale, exchange, or disposition of intangible 284 property; and

285 (3) The transaction giving rise to the expenses and costs between the corporation and the related 286 member has a valid business purpose other than the avoidance or reduction of taxation and payments 287 between the parties are made at arm's length rates and terms; and 288

(4) One of the following applies:

289 (i) The corresponding item of income received by the related member is subject to a tax based on or 290 measured by net income or capital imposed by Virginia, another state, or a foreign government that has 291 entered into a comprehensive tax treaty with the United States government;

292 (ii) Payments arise pursuant to a pre-existing contract entered into when the parties were not related 293 members provided the payments continue to be made at arm's length rates and terms;

294 (iii) The related member engages in transactions with parties other than related members that 295 generate revenue in excess of \$2 million annually; or

(iv) The transaction giving rise to the interest payments between the corporation and a related 296 297 member was done at arm's length rates and terms and meets any of the following: (a) the related 298 member uses funds that are borrowed from a party other than a related member or that are paid, 299 incurred or passed-through to a person who is not a related member; (b) the debt is part of a regular and 300 systematic funds management or portfolio investment activity conducted by the related member, whereby 301 the funds of two or more related members are aggregated for the purpose of achieving economies of 302 scale, the internal financing of the active business operations of members, or the benefit of centralized 303 management of funds; (c) financing the expansion of the business operations; or (d) restructuring the 304 debt of related members, or the pass-through of acquisition-related indebtedness to related members.

305 b. A corporation required to add to its federal taxable income interest expenses and costs pursuant to 306 subdivision a may petition the Tax Commissioner, after filing the related income tax return for the 307 taxable year and remitting to the Tax Commissioner all taxes, penalties, and interest due under this 308 article for such taxable year including tax upon any amount of interest expenses and costs required to be 309 added to federal taxable income pursuant to subdivision a, to consider evidence relating to the 310 transaction or transactions between the corporation and a related member or members that resulted in the 311 corporation's taxable income being increased, as required under subdivision a, for such interest expenses 312 and costs.

313 If the corporation can demonstrate to the Tax Commissioner's sole satisfaction, by clear and 314 convincing evidence, that the transaction or transactions between the corporation and a related member 315 or members resulting in such increase in taxable income pursuant to subdivision a had a valid business 316 purpose other than the avoidance or reduction of the tax due under this chapter and that the related payments between the parties were made at arm's length rates and terms, the Tax Commissioner shall 317 318 permit the corporation to file an amended return. For purposes of such amended return, the requirements of subdivision a shall not apply to any transaction for which the Tax Commissioner is satisfied (and has 319 320 identified) that the transaction had a valid business purpose other than the avoidance or reduction of the 321 tax due under this chapter and that the related payments between the parties were made at arm's length 322 rates and terms. Such amended return shall be filed by the corporation within one year of the written 323 permission granted by the Tax Commissioner and any refund of the tax imposed under this article shall 324 include interest at a rate equal to the rate of interest established under § 58.1-15 and such interest shall 325 accrue as provided under § 58.1-1833. However, upon the filing of such amended return, any related 326 member of the corporation that subtracted from taxable income amounts received pursuant to subdivision 327 C 21 shall be subject to the tax imposed under this article on that portion of such amounts for which the 328 corporation has filed an amended return pursuant to this subdivision. In addition, for such transactions identified by the Tax Commissioner herein by which he has been satisfied by clear and convincing 329 330 evidence, the Tax Commissioner may permit the corporation in filing income tax returns for subsequent taxable years to deduct the related interest expenses and costs without making the adjustment under 331 332 subdivision a.

333 The Tax Commissioner may charge a fee for all direct and indirect costs relating to the review of 334 any petition pursuant to this subdivision, to include costs necessary to secure outside experts in 335 evaluating the petition. The Tax Commissioner may condition the review of any petition pursuant to this 336 subdivision upon payment of such fee.

337 No suit for the purpose of contesting any action of the Tax Commissioner under this subdivision shall be maintained in any court of this Commonwealth. 338

339 c. Nothing in subdivision B 9 shall be construed to limit or negate the Department's authority under 340 § 58.1-446. 341

d. For purposes of subdivision B 9:

342 "Arm's-length rates and terms" means that (i) two or more related members enter into a written 343 agreement for the transaction, (ii) such agreement is of a duration and contains payment terms 344 substantially similar to those that the related member would be able to obtain from an unrelated entity, 345 (iii) the interest is at or below the applicable federal rate compounded annually for debt instruments under § 1274(d) of the Internal Revenue Code that was in effect at the time of the agreement, and (iv) 346 347 the borrower or payor adheres to the payment terms of the agreement governing the transaction or any 348 amendments thereto.

349 "Valid business purpose" means one or more business purposes that alone or in combination 350 constitute the motivation for some business activity or transaction, which activity or transaction 351 improves, apart from tax effects, the economic position of the taxpayer, as further defined by regulation.

10. a. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2009, the amount of dividends deductible under §§ 561 and 857 of the Internal Revenue Code by a Captive Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT). 352 353 354 For purposes of this subdivision, a REIT is a Captive REIT if: 355

(1) It is not regularly traded on an established securities market;

356 (2) More than 50 percent of the voting power or value of beneficial interests or shares of which, at 357 any time during the last half of the taxable year, is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by a 358 single entity that is (i) a corporation or an association taxable as a corporation under the Internal 359 Revenue Code; and (ii) not exempt from federal income tax pursuant to § 501(a) of the Internal 360 Revenue Code; and

361 (3) More than 25 percent of its income consists of rents from real property as defined in § 856(d) of the Internal Revenue Code. 362

363 b. For purposes of applying the ownership test of subdivision 10 a (2), the following entities shall 364 not be considered a corporation or an association taxable as a corporation: 365

(1) Any REIT that is not treated as a Captive REIT;

(2) Any REIT subsidiary under § 856 of the Internal Revenue Code other than a qualified REIT 366 367 subsidiary of a Captive REIT;

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368 (3) Any Listed Australian Property Trust, or an entity organized as a trust, provided that a Listed 369 Australian Property Trust owns or controls, directly or indirectly, 75 percent or more of the voting or 370 value of the beneficial interests or shares of such trust; and

371 (4) Any Qualified Foreign Entity.

372 c. For purposes of subdivision B 10, the constructive ownership rules prescribed under § 318(a) of 373 the Internal Revenue Code, as modified by § 856(d)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall apply in 374 determining the ownership of stock, assets, or net profits of any person.

375 d. For purposes of subdivision B 10:

376 "Listed Australian Property Trust" means an Australian unit trust registered as a Management 377 Investment Scheme, pursuant to the Australian Corporations Act, in which the principal class of units is 378 listed on a recognized stock exchange in Australia and is regularly traded on an established securities 379 market.

380 "Qualified Foreign Entity" means a corporation, trust, association or partnership organized outside the 381 laws of the United States and that satisfies all of the following criteria:

382 (1) At least 75 percent of the entity's total asset value at the close of its taxable year is represented 383 by real estate assets, as defined in § 856(c)(5)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, thereby including shares 384 or certificates of beneficial interest in any REIT, cash and cash equivalents, and U.S. Government 385 securities:

386 (2) The entity is not subject to a tax on amounts distributed to its beneficial owners, or is exempt 387 from entity level tax;

388 (3) The entity distributes, on an annual basis, at least 85 percent of its taxable income, as computed 389 in the jurisdiction in which it is organized, to the holders of its shares or certificates of beneficial 390 interest;

391 (4) The shares or certificates of beneficial interest of such entity are regularly traded on an 392 established securities market or, if not so traded, not more than 10 percent of the voting power or value 393 in such entity is held directly, indirectly, or constructively by a single entity or individual; and 394

(5) The entity is organized in a country that has a tax treaty with the United States.

395 e. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, for purposes of subdivision B 10, any 396 voting power or value of the beneficial interests or shares in a REIT that is held in a segregated asset account of a life insurance corporation as described in § 817 of the Internal Revenue Code shall not be 397 398 taken into consideration when determining if such REIT is a Captive REIT.

399 11. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, to the extent that tax credit is allowed 400 for the same donation pursuant to § 58.1-439.12:12, any amount claimed as a federal income tax 401 deduction for such donation under § 170 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended or renumbered.

402 C. There shall be subtracted to the extent included in and not otherwise subtracted from federal 403 taxable income:

404 1. Income derived from obligations, or on the sale or exchange of obligations, of the United States 405 and on obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the United States to 406 the extent exempt from state income taxes under the laws of the United States including, but not limited 407 to, stocks, bonds, treasury bills, and treasury notes, but not including interest on refunds of federal taxes, 408 interest on equipment purchase contracts, or interest on other normal business transactions.

409 2. Income derived from obligations, or on the sale or exchange of obligations of this Commonwealth 410 or of any political subdivision or instrumentality of this Commonwealth.

411 3. Dividends upon stock in any domestic international sales corporation, as defined by § 992 of the 412 Internal Revenue Code, 50 percent or more of the income of which was assessable for the preceding 413 year, or the last year in which such corporation has income, under the provisions of the income tax laws 414 of the Commonwealth.

415 4. The amount of any refund or credit for overpayment of income taxes imposed by this 416 Commonwealth or any other taxing jurisdiction.

5. Any amount included therein by the operation of the provisions of § 78 of the Internal Revenue 417 418 Code (foreign dividend gross-up).

6. The amount of wages or salaries eligible for the federal Targeted Jobs Credit which was not 419 420 deducted for federal purposes on account of the provisions of § 280C(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

421 7. Any amount included therein by the operation of § 951 of the Internal Revenue Code (subpart F 422 income) or, for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, § 951A of the Internal Revenue 423 *Code* (*Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income*).

424 8. Any amount included therein which is foreign source income as defined in § 58.1-302.

425 9. [Repealed.]

426 10. The amount of any dividends received from corporations in which the taxpaying corporation 427 owns 50 percent or more of the voting stock.

428 11. [Repealed.]

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429 12, 13. [Expired.]

430 14. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1995, the amount for "qualified research 431 expenses" or "basic research expenses" eligible for deduction for federal purposes, but which were not 432 deducted, on account of the provisions of § 280C(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

433 15. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000, the total amount actually contributed in 434 funds to the Virginia Public School Construction Grants Program and Fund established in Chapter 11.1 (§ 22.1-175.1 et seq.) of Title 22.1. 435

436 16. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000, but before January 1, 2015, the gain 437 derived from the sale or exchange of real property or the sale or exchange of an easement to real 438 property which results in the real property or the easement thereto being devoted to open-space use, as that term is defined in § 58.1-3230, for a period of time not less than 30 years. To the extent a 439 440 subtraction is taken in accordance with this subdivision, no tax credit under this chapter for donating 441 land for its preservation shall be allowed for three years following the year in which the subtraction is 442 taken.

17. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2001, any amount included therein with 443 444 respect to § 58.1-440.1.

445 18. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1999, income received as a result of (i) the 446 "Master Settlement Agreement," as defined in § 3.2-3100; and (ii) the National Tobacco Grower Settlement Trust dated July 19, 1999, by (a) tobacco farming businesses; (b) any business holding a 447 448 tobacco marketing quota, or tobacco farm acreage allotment, under the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 449 1938; or (c) any business having the right to grow tobacco pursuant to such a quota allotment. 450

19, 20. [Repealed.]

21. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2004, any amount of intangible expenses and 451 452 costs or interest expenses and costs added to the federal taxable income of a corporation pursuant to 453 subdivision B 8 or B 9 shall be subtracted from the federal taxable income of the related member that 454 received such amount if such related member is subject to Virginia income tax on the same amount.

455 22. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2009, any gain recognized from the sale of launch services to space flight participants, as defined in 49 U.S.C. § 70102, or launch services intended 456 to provide individuals the training or experience of a launch, without performing an actual launch. To 457 qualify for a deduction under this subdivision, launch services must be performed in Virginia or 458 459 originate from an airport or spaceport in Virginia.

460 23. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2009, any gain recognized as a result of resupply services contracts for delivering payload, as defined in 49 U.S.C. § 70102, entered into with the 461 462 Commercial Orbital Transportation Services division of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration or other space flight entity, as defined in § 8.01-227.8, and launched from an airport or 463 spaceport in Virginia. 464

465 24. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011, any income taxed as a long-term capital 466 gain for federal income tax purposes, or any income taxed as investment services partnership interest income (otherwise known as investment partnership carried interest income) for federal income tax 467 468 purposes. To qualify for a subtraction under this subdivision, such income must be attributable to an 469 investment in a "qualified business," as defined in § 58.1-339.4, or in any other technology business 470 approved by the Secretary of Technology, provided the business has its principal office or facility in the 471 Commonwealth and less than \$3 million in annual revenues in the fiscal year prior to the investment. To 472 qualify for a subtraction under this subdivision, the investment must be made between the dates of April 473 1, 2010, and June 30, 2020. No taxpayer who has claimed a tax credit for an investment in a "qualified 474 business" under § 58.1-339.4 shall be eligible for the subtraction under this subdivision for an 475 investment in the same business.

25. a. Income, including investment services partnership interest income (otherwise known as 476 477 investment partnership carried interest income), attributable to an investment in a Virginia venture 478 capital account. To qualify for a subtraction under this subdivision, the investment shall be made on or 479 after January 1, 2018, but before December 31, 2023. No subtraction shall be allowed under this 480 subdivision for an investment in a company that is owned or operated by an affiliate of the taxpayer. No 481 subtraction shall be allowed under this subdivision for a taxpayer who has claimed a subtraction under 482 subdivision C 24 for the same investment.

b. As used in this subdivision 25:

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"Qualified portfolio company" means a company that (i) has its principal place of business in the 484 485 Commonwealth; (ii) has a primary purpose of production, sale, research, or development of a product or 486 service other than the management or investment of capital; and (iii) provides equity in the company to 487 the Virginia venture capital account in exchange for a capital investment. "Qualified portfolio company" 488 does not include a company that is an individual or sole proprietorship.

489 "Virginia venture capital account" means an investment fund that has been certified by the 490 Department as a Virginia venture capital account. In order to be certified as a Virginia venture capital 491 account, the operator of the investment fund shall register the investment fund with the Department prior 492 to December 31, 2023, (i) indicating that it intends to invest at least 50 percent of the capital committed 493 to its fund in qualified portfolio companies and (ii) providing documentation that it employs at least one 494 investor who has at least four years of professional experience in venture capital investment or 495 substantially equivalent experience. "Substantially equivalent experience" includes, but is not limited to, 496 an undergraduate degree from an accredited college or university in economics, finance, or a similar 497 field of study. The Department may require an investment fund to provide documentation of the 498 investor's training, education, or experience as deemed necessary by the Department to determine 499 substantial equivalency. If the Department determines that the investment fund employs at least one 500 investor with the experience set forth herein, the Department shall certify the investment fund as a 501 Virginia venture capital account at such time as the investment fund actually invests at least 50 percent 502 of the capital committed to its fund in qualified portfolio companies.

503 26. a. Income attributable to an investment in a Virginia real estate investment trust. To qualify for a subtraction under this subdivision, the investment shall be made on or after January 1, 2019, but before
505 December 31, 2024. No subtraction shall be allowed for an investment in a trust that is managed by an affiliate of the taxpayer. No subtraction shall be allowed under this subdivision for a taxpayer who has claimed a subtraction under subdivision C 24 or 25 for the same investment.

508 b. As used in this subdivision 26:

509 "Distressed" means satisfying the criteria applicable to a locality described in subdivision E 2 of **510** § 2.2-115.

511 "Double distressed" means satisfying the criteria applicable to a locality described in subdivision E 3512 of § 2.2-115.

513 "Virginia real estate investment trust" means a real estate investment trust, as defined in 26 U.S.C. 514 § 856, that has been certified by the Department as a Virginia real estate investment trust. In order to be 515 certified as a Virginia real estate investment trust, the trustee shall register the trust with the Department 516 prior to December 31, 2024, indicating that it intends to invest at least 90 percent of trust funds in 517 Virginia and at least 40 percent of trust funds in real estate in localities that are distressed or double 518 distressed. If the Department determines that the trust satisfies the preceding criteria, the Department 519 shall certify the trust as a Virginia real estate investment trust at such time as the trust actually invests 520 at least 90 percent of trust funds in Virginia and at least 40 percent of trust funds in real estate in 521 localities that are distressed or double distressed.

522 D. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2006, there shall be subtracted from federal
523 taxable income contract payments to a producer of quota tobacco or a tobacco quota holder as provided
524 under the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 (P.L. 108-357) as follows:

525 1. If the payment is received in installment payments, then the recognized gain, including any gain
526 recognized in taxable year 2005, may be subtracted in the taxable year immediately following the year
527 in which the installment payment is received.

528 2. If the payment is received in a single payment, then 10 percent of the recognized gain may be
529 subtracted in the taxable year immediately following the year in which the single payment is received.
530 The taxpayer may then deduct an equal amount in each of the nine succeeding taxable years.

531 E. Adjustments to federal taxable income shall be made to reflect the transitional modifications 532 provided in § 58.1-315.

533 F. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the income from any disposition of real property 534 which is held by the taxpayer for sale to customers in the ordinary course of the taxpayer's trade or 535 business, as defined in § 453(1)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, of property made on or after 536 January 1, 2009, may, at the election of the taxpayer, be recognized under the installment method 537 described under § 453 of the Internal Revenue Code, provided that (i) the election relating to the dealer 538 disposition of the property has been made on or before the due date prescribed by law (including 539 extensions) for filing the taxpayer's return of the tax imposed under this chapter for the taxable year in 540 which the disposition occurs, and (ii) the dealer disposition is in accordance with restrictions or 541 conditions established by the Department, which shall be set forth in guidelines developed by the 542 Department. Along with such restrictions or conditions, the guidelines shall also address the recapture of 543 such income under certain circumstances. The development of the guidelines shall be exempt from the 544 Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.).

545 G. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, there shall be deducted to the extent 546 included in and not otherwise subtracted from federal taxable income 20 percent of business interest 547 disallowed as a deduction pursuant to § 163(j) of the Internal Revenue Code. For purposes of this 548 subsection, "business interest" means the same as that term is defined under § 163(j) of the Internal 549 Revenue Code.

550 2. That an emergency exists and this act is in force from its passage.

551 3. That the provisions of this act amending § 58.1-301 of the Code of Virginia shall be effective

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552 only for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018.

4. That in addition to any refund due pursuant to § 58.1-309 of the Code of Virginia, and for 553 taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, but before January 1, 2019, an individual 554 555 filing a final return before July 1, 2019, or married persons filing a final joint return before July 556 1, 2019, shall be issued a refund out of the Taxpaver Relief Fund (the Fund) established in the 557 fifth enactment of this act in an amount up to \$110 for an individual, or \$220 for married persons 558 filing a joint return. The Governor, in consultation with the State Comptroller and the Tax 559 Commissioner, shall certify to the General Assembly on or before September 1, 2019, the 560 estimated amount available in the Fund for the issuance of such refunds after taking into account 561 the amounts in the Fund necessary to fund the tax policy changes set forth in the first enactment of this act for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, but before January 1, 2019. 562 If such estimated amount is insufficient to issue refunds of \$110 for an individual, or \$220 for 563 564 married persons filing a joint return, then such refunds shall be reduced and prorated based on 565 the amount of available funds. An individual shall only be allowed a refund pursuant to this enactment up to the amount of such individual's tax liability after the application of any 566 deductions, subtractions, or credits to which the individual is entitled pursuant to Chapter 3 567 568 (§ 58.1-300 et seq.) of Title 58.1 of the Code of Virginia. Married persons filing a joint return shall 569 only be allowed a refund pursuant to this enactment up to the amount of such married persons' 570 tax liability after the application of any deductions, subtractions, or credits to which the married 571 persons are entitled pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title 58.1 of the Code of Virginia. Any refund issued 572 pursuant to this enactment shall be subject to collection under the provisions of the Setoff Debt 573 Collection Act (§ 58.1-520 et seq. of the Code of Virginia). Refunds due pursuant to this enactment 574 shall be issued on or after October 1, 2019, but before October 15, 2019.

5. That there is hereby established a special nonreverting fund to be known as the "Taxpayer 575 576 Relief Fund" (the Fund). Any revenues generated by the individual reform provisions contained in Subtitle A of Title I and §§ 13611-13613 of the federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, P.L. 115-97 (2017), 577 from the collection of taxes during Fiscal Years 2019 through 2025, estimated to be approximately 578 579 \$450 million annually, beyond those revenues reasonably expected to be collected due to general 580 economic growth and absent the federal policy changes, less the estimated reduction in revenues 581 needed to implement the tax policy changes set forth in the first enactment of this act for the 582 relevant fiscal year, shall be transferred to the Fund. The Governor, in consultation with the State 583 Comptroller and the Tax Commissioner, shall certify to the General Assembly on or before 584 September 1 each year the estimated amount to be transferred to the Fund pursuant to this act. 585 The amount certified shall take into account changes in taxpayer behavior and changes in general revenue collections unrelated to federal tax policy changes. The amount certified shall also take 586 into account and be adjusted accordingly for additional tax policy changes adopted by the federal 587 588 government after January 1, 2019, that may be reasonably expected to positively or negatively 589 impact revenues of the Commonwealth. The General Assembly shall appropriate any revenues in 590 the Fund to effectuate permanent or temporary tax reform measures.