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SENATE BILL NO. 1372

FLOOR AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by Delegate Jones, S.C.

on February 11, 2019)

- (Patrons Prior to Substitute—Senators Norment, DeSteph [SB 1237], Hanger [SB 1320], Stuart [SB 1443], Sturtevant [SB 1531], Dunnavant [SB 1631], McDougle [SB 1657], and Newman [SB 1739])
- A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 58.1-301, 58.1-322.03, and 58.1-402 of the Code of Virginia, relating
- to conformity of the Commonwealth's taxation system with the Internal Revenue Code; Virginia taxable income.
- 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 11 12 as follows: 13

§ 58.1-301. Conformity to Internal Revenue Code.

14 A. Any term used in this chapter shall have the same meaning as when used in a comparable context 15 in the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes, unless a different meaning is clearly 16 required.

17 B. Any reference in this chapter to the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes shall mean the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, and amendments thereto, and other 18 19 provisions of the laws of the United States relating to federal income taxes, as they existed on February 20 9 December 31, 2018, except for:

21 1. The special depreciation allowance for certain property provided for under §§ 168(k), 168(l), 22 168(m), 1400L, and 1400N of the Internal Revenue Code;

23 2. The carry-back of certain net operating losses for five years under 172(b)(1)(H) of the Internal Revenue Code: 24

25 3. The original issue discount on applicable high yield discount obligations under § 163(e)(5)(F) of 26 the Internal Revenue Code;

27 4. The deferral of certain income under § 108(i) of the Internal Revenue Code. For Virginia income 28 tax purposes, income from the discharge of indebtedness in connection with the reacquisition of an 29 "applicable debt instrument" (as defined under § 108(i) of the Internal Revenue Code) reacquired in the 30 taxable year shall be fully included in the taxpayer's Virginia taxable income for the taxable year, unless the taxpayer elects to include such income in the taxpayer's Virginia taxable income ratably over a 31 32 three-taxable-year period beginning with taxable year 2009 for transactions completed in taxable year 33 2009, or over a three-taxable-year period beginning with taxable year 2010 for transactions completed in taxable year 2010 on or before April 21, 2010. For purposes of such election, all other provisions of 34 35 § 108(i) of the Internal Revenue Code shall apply mutatis mutandis. No other deferral shall be allowed 36 for income from the discharge of indebtedness in connection with the reacquisition of an "applicable 37 debt instrument"; and

38 5. The amount of the deduction allowed for domestic production activities pursuant to § 199 of the 39 Internal Revenue Code for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2010. For Virginia income tax purposes, two-thirds of the amount deducted pursuant to §-199 of the Internal Revenue Code for federal 40 41 income tax purposes during the taxable year may be deducted for Virginia income tax purposes for 42 taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2010. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2013, the entire amount of the deduction allowed for domestic production activities pursuant to § 199 43 44 of the Internal Revenue Code may be deducted for Virginia income tax purposes;

6. The provisions of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (the Act) enacted December 22, 2017, as Public Law 45 46 115-97, provided, however, that this exception shall not apply to the following:

47 a. Treatment of certain individuals performing services in the Sinai Peninsula of Egypt pursuant to **48** 49

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

50 e. Any other provision of the Act that affects the computation of federal adjusted gross income of 51 individuals or federal taxable income of corporations for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2016, and before January 1, 2018, other than the temporary reduction in the medical expense deduction 52 53 floor pursuant to § 11027 of the Act; and

54 7. The provisions of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 enacted February 9, 2018, as Public Law 55 115-123, that affect any taxable year other than a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2016, and 56 before January 1, 2018.

5. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2019, the provisions of § 11046 of the 57 federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, P.L. 115-97 (2017), related to the suspension of the overall limitation on 58 59 itemized deductions.

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60 The Department of Taxation is hereby authorized to develop procedures or guidelines for implementation of the provisions of this section, which procedures or guidelines shall be exempt from 61 62 the provisions of the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.).

63 § 58.1-322.03. Virginia taxable income; deductions.

In computing Virginia taxable income pursuant to § 58.1-322, there shall be deducted from Virginia 64 65 adjusted gross income as defined in § 58.1-321:

66 1. a. The amount allowable for itemized deductions for federal income tax purposes where the 67 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 68 on such federal return and increased by an amount that, when added to the amount deducted under 69 70 § 170 of the Internal Revenue Code for mileage, results in a mileage deduction at the state level for 71 such purposes at a rate of 18 cents per mile; or

72 b. Three thousand dollars for single individuals and \$6,000 for married persons (one-half of such 73 amounts in the case of a married individual filing a separate return), provided Provided that the taxpayer 74 has not itemized deductions for the taxable year on his federal income tax return: (i) for taxable years beginning before January 1, 2019, and on and after January 1, 2026, \$3,000 for single individuals and 75 \$6,000 for married persons (one-half of such amounts in the case of a married individual filing a 76 separate return) and (ii) for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2019, but before January 77 1, 2026, \$4,500 for single individuals and \$9,000 for married persons (one-half of such amounts in the 78 79 case of a married individual filing a separate return). For purposes of this section, any person who may be claimed as a dependent on another taxpayer's return for the taxable year may compute the deduction 80 81 only with respect to earned income.

2. a. A deduction in the amount of \$930 for each personal exemption allowable to the taxpayer for 82 83 federal income tax purposes.

84 b. Each blind or aged taxpayer as defined under § 63(f) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be 85 entitled to an additional personal exemption in the amount of \$800.

The additional deduction for blind or aged taxpayers allowed under this subdivision shall be 86 87 allowable regardless of whether the taxpayer itemizes deductions for the taxable year for federal income 88 tax purposes.

89 $\hat{3}$. A deduction equal to the amount of employment-related expenses upon which the federal credit is 90 based under § 21 of the Internal Revenue Code for expenses for household and dependent care services 91 necessary for gainful employment.

92 4. An additional \$1,000 deduction for each child residing for the entire taxable year in a home under 93 permanent foster care placement as defined in § 63.2-908, provided that the taxpayer can also claim the 94 child as a personal exemption under § 151 of the Internal Revenue Code. 95

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

96 b. A deduction in the amount of \$12,000 for individuals born after January 1, 1939, who have 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. 98 99 For married taxpayers filing separately, the deduction shall be reduced by \$1 for every \$1 that the total 100 combined adjusted federal adjusted gross income of both spouses exceeds \$75,000.

For the purposes of this subdivision, "adjusted federal adjusted gross income" means federal adjusted 101 102 gross income minus any benefits received under Title II of the Social Security Act and other benefits subject to federal income taxation solely pursuant to § 86 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended. 103

104 6. The amount an individual pays as a fee for an initial screening to become a possible bone marrow 105 donor, if (i) the individual is not reimbursed for such fee or (ii) the individual has not claimed a 106 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 107 108 during the taxable year for a prepaid tuition contract or college savings trust account entered into with 109 the Virginia College Savings Plan, pursuant to Chapter 7 (§ 23.1-700 et seq.) of Title 23.1. Except as 110 provided in subdivision b, the amount deducted on any individual income tax return in any taxable year shall be limited to \$4,000 per prepaid tuition contract or college savings trust account. No deduction 111 shall be allowed pursuant to this subdivision 7 if such payments or contributions are deducted on the 112 purchaser's or contributor's federal income tax return. If the purchase price or annual contribution to a 113 114 college savings trust account exceeds \$4,000, the remainder may be carried forward and subtracted in future taxable years until the purchase price or college savings trust contribution has been fully 115 116 deducted; however, except as provided in subdivision b, in no event shall the amount deducted in any 117 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 118 recapture in the taxable year or years in which distributions or refunds are made for any reason other 119 120 than (i) to pay qualified higher education expenses, as defined in § 529 of the Internal Revenue Code or (ii) the beneficiary's death, disability, or receipt of a scholarship. For the purposes of this subdivision, 121

"purchaser" or "contributor" means the person shown as such on the records of the Virginia College
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 141 costs on his federal income tax return.

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

148 11. Contract payments to a producer of quota tobacco or a tobacco quota holder, or their spouses, as
149 provided under the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 (P.L. 108-357), but only to the extent that such
150 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.

156 12. An amount equal to 20 percent of the sum paid by an individual pursuant to Chapter 6 157 (§ 58.1-600 et seq.), not to exceed \$500 in each taxable year, in purchasing for his own use the following items of tangible personal property: (i) any clothes washers, room air conditioners, 158 159 dishwashers, and standard size refrigerators that meet or exceed the applicable energy star efficiency 160 requirements developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy; (ii) any fuel cell that (a) generates electricity using an electrochemical process, (b) has an 161 162 electricity-only generation efficiency greater than 35 percent, and (c) has a generating capacity of at least 163 two kilowatts; (iii) any gas heat pump that has a coefficient of performance of at least 1.25 for heating 164 and at least 0.70 for cooling; (iv) any electric heat pump hot water heater that yields an energy factor of 165 at least 1.7; (v) any electric heat pump that has a heating system performance factor of at least 8.0 and 166 a cooling seasonal energy efficiency ratio of at least 13.0; (vi) any central air conditioner that has a cooling seasonal energy efficiency ratio of at least 13.5; (vii) any advanced gas or oil water heater that 167 168 has an energy factor of at least 0.65; (viii) any advanced oil-fired boiler with a minimum annual 169 fuel-utilization rating of 85; (ix) any advanced oil-fired furnace with a minimum annual fuel-utilization 170 rating of 85; and (x) programmable thermostats.

171 13. The lesser of \$5,000 or the amount actually paid by a living donor of an organ or other living 172 tissue for unreimbursed out-of-pocket expenses directly related to the donation that arose within 12 173 months of such donation, provided that the donor has not taken a medical deduction in accordance with 174 the provisions of § 213 of the Internal Revenue Code for such expenses. The deduction may be taken in 175 the taxable year in which the donation is made or the taxable year in which the 12-month period 176 expires.

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

183 deduction shall not be allowed for any portion of such premiums paid for which the individual has (a)

184 been reimbursed, (b) claimed a deduction for federal income tax purposes, (c) claimed a deduction or 185 subtraction under another provision of this section, or (d) claimed a federal income tax credit or any 186 income tax credit pursuant to this chapter.

15. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, 20 percent of business interest 187 188 disallowed as a deduction pursuant to \S 163(j) of the Internal Revenue Code. For purposes of this 189 subdivision, "business interest" means the same as that term is defined under § 163(j) of the Internal 190 Revenue Code.

16. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2019, the actual amount of real and 191 192 personal property taxes imposed by the Commonwealth or any other taxing jurisdiction not otherwise 193 deducted solely on account of the dollar limitation imposed on individual deductions by 164(b)(6)(B) 194 of the Internal Revenue Code. 195

§ 58.1-402. Virginia taxable income.

196 A. For purposes of this article, Virginia taxable income for a taxable year means the federal taxable 197 income and any other income taxable to the corporation under federal law for such year of a corporation 198 adjusted as provided in subsections B, C, D, and E, and G.

199 For a regulated investment company and a real estate investment trust, such term means the "investment company taxable income" and "real estate investment trust taxable income," respectively, to 200 201 which shall be added in each case any amount of capital gains and any other income taxable to the 202 corporation under federal law which shall be further adjusted as provided in subsections B, C, D, and E, 203 and G. 204

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

205 1. Interest, less related expenses to the extent not deducted in determining federal taxable income, on 206 obligations of any state other than Virginia, or of a political subdivision of any such other state unless 207 created by compact or agreement to which the Commonwealth is a party;

208 2. Interest or dividends, less related expenses to the extent not deducted in determining federal 209 taxable income, on obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the 210 United States, which the laws of the United States exempt from federal income tax but not from state 211 income taxes; 212

3. [Repealed.]

213 4. The amount of any net income taxes and other taxes, including franchise and excise taxes, which 214 are based on, measured by, or computed with reference to net income, imposed by the Commonwealth 215 or any other taxing jurisdiction, to the extent deducted in determining federal taxable income; 216

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

6. [Repealed.]

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

220 8. a. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2004, the amount of any intangible 221 expenses and costs directly or indirectly paid, accrued, or incurred to, or in connection directly or 222 indirectly with one or more direct or indirect transactions with one or more related members to the 223 extent such expenses and costs were deductible or deducted in computing federal taxable income for 224 Virginia purposes. This addition shall not be required for any portion of the intangible expenses and 225 costs if one of the following applies:

226 (1) The corresponding item of income received by the related member is subject to a tax based on or 227 measured by net income or capital imposed by Virginia, another state, or a foreign government that has 228 entered into a comprehensive tax treaty with the United States government;

229 (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 230 231 expenses and costs between the corporation and the related member was made at rates and terms 232 comparable to the rates and terms of agreements that the related member has entered into with parties 233 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 234 235 expenses and costs meet both of the following: (i) the related member during the same taxable year 236 directly or indirectly paid, accrued or incurred such portion to a person who is not a related member, 237 and (ii) the transaction giving rise to the intangible expenses and costs between the corporation and the 238 related member did not have as a principal purpose the avoidance of any portion of the tax due under 239 this chapter.

240 b. A corporation required to add to its federal taxable income intangible expenses and costs pursuant 241 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 242 243 article for such taxable year including tax upon any amount of intangible expenses and costs required to 244 be added to federal taxable income pursuant to subdivision a, to consider evidence relating to the

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transaction or transactions between the corporation and a related member or members that resulted in the
corporation's taxable income being increased, as required under subdivision a, for such intangible
expenses and costs.

248 If the corporation can demonstrate to the Tax Commissioner's sole satisfaction, by clear and 249 convincing evidence, that the transaction or transactions between the corporation and a related member 250 or members resulting in such increase in taxable income pursuant to subdivision a had a valid business 251 purpose other than the avoidance or reduction of the tax due under this chapter, the Tax Commissioner 252 shall permit the corporation to file an amended return. For purposes of such amended return, the 253 requirements of subdivision a shall not apply to any transaction for which the Tax Commissioner is 254 satisfied (and has identified) that the transaction had a valid business purpose other than the avoidance 255 or reduction of the tax due under this chapter. Such amended return shall be filed by the corporation 256 within one year of the written permission granted by the Tax Commissioner and any refund of the tax 257 imposed under this article shall include interest at a rate equal to the rate of interest established under 258 § 58.1-15 and such interest shall accrue as provided under § 58.1-1833. However, upon the filing of 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 259 260 261 that portion of such amounts for which the corporation has filed an amended return pursuant to this 262 subdivision. In addition, for such transactions identified by the Tax Commissioner herein by which he 263 has been satisfied by clear and convincing evidence, the Tax Commissioner may permit the corporation 264 in filing income tax returns for subsequent taxable years to deduct the related intangible expenses and 265 costs without making the adjustment under subdivision a.

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

270 No suit for the purpose of contesting any action of the Tax Commissioner under this subdivision271 shall be maintained in any court of this Commonwealth.

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

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

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

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

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

289 (4) One of the following applies:

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

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

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

297 (iv) The transaction giving rise to the interest payments between the corporation and a related 298 member was done at arm's length rates and terms and meets any of the following: (a) the related 299 member uses funds that are borrowed from a party other than a related member or that are paid, 300 incurred or passed-through to a person who is not a related member; (b) the debt is part of a regular and 301 systematic funds management or portfolio investment activity conducted by the related member, whereby 302 the funds of two or more related members are aggregated for the purpose of achieving economies of 303 scale, the internal financing of the active business operations of members, or the benefit of centralized management of funds; (c) financing the expansion of the business operations; or (d) restructuring the 304 305 debt of related members, or the pass-through of acquisition-related indebtedness to related members.

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306 b. A corporation required to add to its federal taxable income interest expenses and costs pursuant to 307 subdivision a may petition the Tax Commissioner, after filing the related income tax return for the 308 taxable year and remitting to the Tax Commissioner all taxes, penalties, and interest due under this 309 article for such taxable year including tax upon any amount of interest expenses and costs required to be 310 added to federal taxable income pursuant to subdivision a, to consider evidence relating to the transaction or transactions between the corporation and a related member or members that resulted in the 311 312 corporation's taxable income being increased, as required under subdivision a, for such interest expenses 313 and costs.

314 If the corporation can demonstrate to the Tax Commissioner's sole satisfaction, by clear and convincing evidence, that the transaction or transactions between the corporation and a related member 315 316 or members resulting in such increase in taxable income pursuant to subdivision a had a valid business purpose other than the avoidance or reduction of the tax due under this chapter and that the related 317 318 payments between the parties were made at arm's length rates and terms, the Tax Commissioner shall permit the corporation to file an amended return. For purposes of such amended return, the requirements 319 320 of subdivision a shall not apply to any transaction for which the Tax Commissioner is satisfied (and has 321 identified) that the transaction had a valid business purpose other than the avoidance or reduction of the 322 tax due under this chapter and that the related payments between the parties were made at arm's length 323 rates and terms. Such amended return shall be filed by the corporation within one year of the written 324 permission granted by the Tax Commissioner and any refund of the tax imposed under this article shall 325 include interest at a rate equal to the rate of interest established under § 58.1-15 and such interest shall 326 accrue as provided under § 58.1-1833. However, upon the filing of such amended return, any related 327 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 that portion of such amounts for which the 328 329 corporation has filed an amended return pursuant to this subdivision. In addition, for such transactions 330 identified by the Tax Commissioner herein by which he has been satisfied by clear and convincing 331 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 332 333 subdivision a.

334 The Tax Commissioner may charge a fee for all direct and indirect costs relating to the review of 335 any petition pursuant to this subdivision, to include costs necessary to secure outside experts in 336 evaluating the petition. The Tax Commissioner may condition the review of any petition pursuant to this 337 subdivision upon payment of such fee.

338 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. 339

340 c. Nothing in subdivision B 9 shall be construed to limit or negate the Department's authority under 341 § 58.1-446. 342

d. For purposes of subdivision B 9:

343 "Arm's-length rates and terms" means that (i) two or more related members enter into a written 344 agreement for the transaction, (ii) such agreement is of a duration and contains payment terms 345 substantially similar to those that the related member would be able to obtain from an unrelated entity, (iii) the interest is at or below the applicable federal rate compounded annually for debt instruments 346 under § 1274(d) of the Internal Revenue Code that was in effect at the time of the agreement, and (iv) 347 348 the borrower or payor adheres to the payment terms of the agreement governing the transaction or any 349 amendments thereto.

350 "Valid business purpose" means one or more business purposes that alone or in combination 351 constitute the motivation for some business activity or transaction, which activity or transaction improves, apart from tax effects, the economic position of the taxpayer, as further defined by regulation. 352

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). 353 354 355 For purposes of this subdivision, a REIT is a Captive REIT if:

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

(2) More than 50 percent of the voting power or value of beneficial interests or shares of which, at 357 358 any time during the last half of the taxable year, is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by a 359 single entity that is (i) a corporation or an association taxable as a corporation under the Internal 360 Revenue Code; and (ii) not exempt from federal income tax pursuant to § 501(a) of the Internal 361 Revenue Code; and

362 (3) More than 25 percent of its income consists of rents from real property as defined in § 856(d) of 363 the Internal Revenue Code.

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

(1) Any REIT that is not treated as a Captive REIT; 366

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

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subsidiary of a Captive REIT; 368

369 (3) Any Listed Australian Property Trust, or an entity organized as a trust, provided that a Listed 370 Australian Property Trust owns or controls, directly or indirectly, 75 percent or more of the voting or value of the beneficial interests or shares of such trust; and 371

372 (4) Any Qualified Foreign Entity.

373 c. For purposes of subdivision B 10, the constructive ownership rules prescribed under § 318(a) of 374 the Internal Revenue Code, as modified by § 856(d)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall apply in 375 determining the ownership of stock, assets, or net profits of any person.

376 d. For purposes of subdivision B 10:

377 "Listed Australian Property Trust" means an Australian unit trust registered as a Management 378 Investment Scheme, pursuant to the Australian Corporations Act, in which the principal class of units is 379 listed on a recognized stock exchange in Australia and is regularly traded on an established securities 380 market.

381 "Qualified Foreign Entity" means a corporation, trust, association or partnership organized outside the 382 laws of the United States and that satisfies all of the following criteria:

383 (1) At least 75 percent of the entity's total asset value at the close of its taxable year is represented 384 by real estate assets, as defined in \$ 856(c)(5)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, thereby including shares 385 or certificates of beneficial interest in any REIT, cash and cash equivalents, and U.S. Government 386 securities;

387 (2) The entity is not subject to a tax on amounts distributed to its beneficial owners, or is exempt 388 from entity level tax;

389 (3) The entity distributes, on an annual basis, at least 85 percent of its taxable income, as computed 390 in the jurisdiction in which it is organized, to the holders of its shares or certificates of beneficial 391 interest;

392 (4) The shares or certificates of beneficial interest of such entity are regularly traded on an 393 established securities market or, if not so traded, not more than 10 percent of the voting power or value 394 in such entity is held directly, indirectly, or constructively by a single entity or individual; and 395

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

396 e. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, for purposes of subdivision B 10, any 397 voting power or value of the beneficial interests or shares in a REIT that is held in a segregated asset 398 account of a life insurance corporation as described in § 817 of the Internal Revenue Code shall not be 399 taken into consideration when determining if such REIT is a Captive REIT.

400 11. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, to the extent that tax credit is allowed 401 for the same donation pursuant to § 58.1-439.12:12, any amount claimed as a federal income tax 402 deduction for such donation under § 170 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended or renumbered.

403 C. There shall be subtracted to the extent included in and not otherwise subtracted from federal 404 taxable income:

405 1. Income derived from obligations, or on the sale or exchange of obligations, of the United States 406 and on obligations or securities of any authority, commission or instrumentality of the United States to the extent exempt from state income taxes under the laws of the United States including, but not limited 407 408 to, stocks, bonds, treasury bills, and treasury notes, but not including interest on refunds of federal taxes, 409 interest on equipment purchase contracts, or interest on other normal business transactions.

410 2. Income derived from obligations, or on the sale or exchange of obligations of this Commonwealth 411 or of any political subdivision or instrumentality of this Commonwealth.

412 3. Dividends upon stock in any domestic international sales corporation, as defined by § 992 of the Internal Revenue Code, 50 percent or more of the income of which was assessable for the preceding 413 414 year, or the last year in which such corporation has income, under the provisions of the income tax laws 415 of the Commonwealth.

416 4. The amount of any refund or credit for overpayment of income taxes imposed by this 417 Commonwealth or any other taxing jurisdiction.

418 5. Any amount included therein by the operation of the provisions of § 78 of the Internal Revenue 419 Code (foreign dividend gross-up).

420 6. The amount of wages or salaries eligible for the federal Targeted Jobs Credit which was not 421 deducted for federal purposes on account of the provisions of § 280C(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

422 7. Any amount included therein by the operation of § 951 of the Internal Revenue Code (subpart F 423 income) or, for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, § 951A of the Internal Revenue 424 Code (Global Intangible Low-Taxed Income).

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

426 9. [Repealed.]

427 10. The amount of any dividends received from corporations in which the taxpaying corporation 428 owns 50 percent or more of the voting stock.

429 11. [Repealed.]

430 12, 13. [Expired.]

431 14. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1995, the amount for "qualified research 432 expenses" or "basic research expenses" eligible for deduction for federal purposes, but which were not 433 deducted, on account of the provisions of § 280C(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

434 15. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000, the total amount actually contributed in 435 funds to the Virginia Public School Construction Grants Program and Fund established in Chapter 11.1 436 (§ 22.1-175.1 et seq.) of Title 22.1.

437 16. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000, but before January 1, 2015, the gain 438 derived from the sale or exchange of real property or the sale or exchange of an easement to real 439 property which results in the real property or the easement thereto being devoted to open-space use, as 440 that term is defined in § 58.1-3230, for a period of time not less than 30 years. To the extent a 441 subtraction is taken in accordance with this subdivision, no tax credit under this chapter for donating 442 land for its preservation shall be allowed for three years following the year in which the subtraction is 443 taken.

444 17. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2001, any amount included therein with 445 respect to § 58.1-440.1.

18. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 1999, income received as a result of (i) the 446 447 "Master Settlement Agreement," as defined in § 3.2-3100; and (ii) the National Tobacco Grower 448 Settlement Trust dated July 19, 1999, by (a) tobacco farming businesses; (b) any business holding a 449 tobacco marketing quota, or tobacco farm acreage allotment, under the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 450 1938; or (c) any business having the right to grow tobacco pursuant to such a quota allotment. 451

19, 20. [Repealed.]

452 21. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2004, any amount of intangible expenses and 453 costs or interest expenses and costs added to the federal taxable income of a corporation pursuant to 454 subdivision B 8 or B 9 shall be subtracted from the federal taxable income of the related member that 455 received such amount if such related member is subject to Virginia income tax on the same amount.

22. For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2009, any gain recognized from the sale of 456 launch services to space flight participants, as defined in 49 U.S.C. § 70102, or launch services intended 457 458 to provide individuals the training or experience of a launch, without performing an actual launch. To 459 qualify for a deduction under this subdivision, launch services must be performed in Virginia or 460 originate from an airport or spaceport in Virginia.

461 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 462 Commercial Orbital Transportation Services division of the National Aeronautics and Space 463 464 Administration or other space flight entity, as defined in § 8.01-227.8, and launched from an airport or 465 spaceport in Virginia.

466 24. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011, any income taxed as a long-term capital gain for federal income tax purposes, or any income taxed as investment services partnership interest 467 468 income (otherwise known as investment partnership carried interest income) for federal income tax 469 purposes. To qualify for a subtraction under this subdivision, such income must be attributable to an 470 investment in a "qualified business," as defined in § 58.1-339.4, or in any other technology business 471 approved by the Secretary of Technology, provided the business has its principal office or facility in the 472 Commonwealth and less than \$3 million in annual revenues in the fiscal year prior to the investment. To 473 qualify for a subtraction under this subdivision, the investment must be made between the dates of April 474 1, 2010, and June 30, 2020. No taxpayer who has claimed a tax credit for an investment in a "qualified 475 business" under § 58.1-339.4 shall be eligible for the subtraction under this subdivision for an investment in the same business. 476

477 25. a. Income, including investment services partnership interest income (otherwise known as 478 investment partnership carried interest income), attributable to an investment in a Virginia venture 479 capital account. To qualify for a subtraction under this subdivision, the investment shall be made on or 480 after January 1, 2018, but before December 31, 2023. No subtraction shall be allowed under this 481 subdivision for an investment in a company that is owned or operated by an affiliate of the taxpayer. No 482 subtraction shall be allowed under this subdivision for a taxpayer who has claimed a subtraction under 483 subdivision C 24 for the same investment.

b. As used in this subdivision 25:

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485 "Qualified portfolio company" means a company that (i) has its principal place of business in the 486 Commonwealth; (ii) has a primary purpose of production, sale, research, or development of a product or 487 service other than the management or investment of capital; and (iii) provides equity in the company to 488 the Virginia venture capital account in exchange for a capital investment. "Qualified portfolio company" 489 does not include a company that is an individual or sole proprietorship.

490 "Virginia venture capital account" means an investment fund that has been certified by the

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491 Department as a Virginia venture capital account. In order to be certified as a Virginia venture capital 492 account, the operator of the investment fund shall register the investment fund with the Department prior to December 31, 2023, (i) indicating that it intends to invest at least 50 percent of the capital committed 493 494 to its fund in qualified portfolio companies and (ii) providing documentation that it employs at least one 495 investor who has at least four years of professional experience in venture capital investment or 496 substantially equivalent experience. "Substantially equivalent experience" includes, but is not limited to, 497 an undergraduate degree from an accredited college or university in economics, finance, or a similar **498** field of study. The Department may require an investment fund to provide documentation of the 499 investor's training, education, or experience as deemed necessary by the Department to determine 500 substantial equivalency. If the Department determines that the investment fund employs at least one 501 investor with the experience set forth herein, the Department shall certify the investment fund as a 502 Virginia venture capital account at such time as the investment fund actually invests at least 50 percent 503 of the capital committed to its fund in qualified portfolio companies.

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 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.

509 b. As used in this subdivision 26:

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

512 "Double distressed" means satisfying the criteria applicable to a locality described in subdivision E 3513 of § 2.2-115.

514 "Virginia real estate investment trust" means a real estate investment trust, as defined in 26 U.S.C. 515 § 856, that has been certified by the Department as a Virginia real estate investment trust. In order to be 516 certified as a Virginia real estate investment trust, the trustee shall register the trust with the Department 517 prior to December 31, 2024, indicating that it intends to invest at least 90 percent of trust funds in 518 Virginia and at least 40 percent of trust funds in real estate in localities that are distressed or double 519 distressed. If the Department determines that the trust satisfies the preceding criteria, the Department 520 shall certify the trust as a Virginia real estate investment trust at such time as the trust actually invests 521 at least 90 percent of trust funds in Virginia and at least 40 percent of trust funds in real estate in 522 localities that are distressed or double distressed.

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

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

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

532 E. Adjustments to federal taxable income shall be made to reflect the transitional modifications533 provided in § 58.1-315.

534 F. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the income from any disposition of real property 535 which is held by the taxpayer for sale to customers in the ordinary course of the taxpayer's trade or 536 business, as defined in § 453(1)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, of property made on or after 537 January 1, 2009, may, at the election of the taxpayer, be recognized under the installment method 538 described under § 453 of the Internal Revenue Code, provided that (i) the election relating to the dealer 539 disposition of the property has been made on or before the due date prescribed by law (including 540 extensions) for filing the taxpayer's return of the tax imposed under this chapter for the taxable year in 541 which the disposition occurs, and (ii) the dealer disposition is in accordance with restrictions or conditions established by the Department, which shall be set forth in guidelines developed by the 542 543 Department. Along with such restrictions or conditions, the guidelines shall also address the recapture of 544 such income under certain circumstances. The development of the guidelines shall be exempt from the 545 Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.).

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

550 *Revenue Code.*

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

552 3. That the provisions of this act amending § 58.1-301 of the Code of Virginia shall be effective 553 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 554 taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, but before January 1, 2019, an individual 555 556 filing a final return before July 1, 2019, or married persons filing a final joint return before July 557 1, 2019, shall be issued a refund out of the Taxpayer Relief Fund (the Fund) established in the 558 fifth enactment of this act in an amount up to \$110 for an individual, or \$220 for married persons filing a joint return. The Governor, in consultation with the State Comptroller and the Tax 559 560 Commissioner, shall certify to the General Assembly on or before September 1, 2019, the 561 estimated amount available in the Fund for the issuance of such refunds after taking into account the amounts in the Fund necessary to fund the tax policy changes set forth in the first enactment 562 of this act for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2018, but before January 1, 2019. 563 If such estimated amount is insufficient to issue refunds of \$110 for an individual, or \$220 for 564 565 married persons filing a joint return, then such refunds shall be reduced and prorated based on the amount of available funds. An individual shall only be allowed a refund pursuant to this 566 enactment up to the amount of such individual's tax liability after the application of any 567 deductions, subtractions, or credits to which the individual is entitled pursuant to Chapter 3 568 569 (§ 58.1-300 et seq.) of Title 58.1 of the Code of Virginia. Married persons filing a joint return shall 570 only be allowed a refund pursuant to this enactment up to the amount of such married persons' 571 tax liability after the application of any deductions, subtractions, or credits to which the married 572 persons are entitled pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title 58.1 of the Code of Virginia. Any refund issued 573 pursuant to this enactment shall be subject to collection under the provisions of the Setoff Debt 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. 575

576 5. That there is hereby established a special nonreverting fund to be known as the "Taxpayer Relief Fund" (the Fund). Any revenues generated by the individual reform provisions contained in 577 Subtitle A of Title I and §§ 13611-13613 of the federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, P.L. 115-97 (2017), 578 579 from the collection of taxes during Fiscal Years 2019 through 2025, estimated to be approximately 580 \$450 million annually, beyond those revenues reasonably expected to be collected due to general 581 economic growth and absent the federal policy changes, less the estimated reduction in revenues 582 needed to implement the tax policy changes set forth in the first enactment of this act for the relevant fiscal year, shall be transferred to the Fund. The Governor, in consultation with the State 583 584 Comptroller and the Tax Commissioner, shall certify to the General Assembly on or before 585 September 1 each year the estimated amount to be transferred to the Fund pursuant to this act. The amount certified shall take into account changes in taxpayer behavior and changes in general 586 revenue collections unrelated to federal tax policy changes. The amount certified shall also take 587 588 into account and be adjusted accordingly for additional tax policy changes adopted by the federal government after January 1, 2019, that may be reasonably expected to positively or negatively 589 590 impact revenues of the Commonwealth. The General Assembly shall appropriate any revenues in 591 the Fund to effectuate permanent or temporary tax reform measures.