
REVENUE BILL OF 1938

Mr. HARRISON, from the committee of conference, submitted the following

CONFERENCE REPORT ON THE BILL (H. R. 9682) TO PROVIDE REVENUE, EQUALIZE TAXATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 9682) to provide revenue, equalize taxation, and for other purposes, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate numbered 2, 3, 4, 12, 14, 16, 17, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 35, 43, 45, 46, 50, 51, 53, 55, 65, 66, 70, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 80, 81, 82, 91, 95, 96, 97, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 147, 156, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 170, 171, 173, 179, 180, 181, 183, 184, 185, 186, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 200, 212, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, and 229, and agree to the same.

That the Senate recede from its amendments numbered 1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 18, 19, 23, 24, 26, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 48, 49, 56, 57, 59, 61, 63, 67, 68, 71, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 89, 90, 92, 93, 94, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 113, 114, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 145, 146, 148, 149, 151, 153, 154, 155, 158, 159, 172, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 182, 187, 203, 204, 205, 209, 210, 213, 230, 237, and 239.

Amendment numbered 6:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 6, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

SEC. 13. TAX ON CORPORATIONS IN GENERAL.

(a) *ADJUSTED NET INCOME.*—For the purposes of this title the term "adjusted net income" means the net income minus the credit provided

in section 26 (a), relating to interest on certain obligations of the United States and Government corporations.

(b) **IMPOSITION OF TAX.**—There shall be levied, collected, and paid for each taxable year upon the net income of every corporation the net income of which is more than \$25,000 (except a corporation subject to the tax imposed by section 14, section 231 (a), Supplement G, or Supplement Q) a tax computed under subsection (c) of this section or a tax computed under subsection (d) of this section, whichever tax is the lesser.

(c) **GENERAL RULE.**—The tax computed under this subsection shall be as follows:

(1) A tentative tax shall first be computed equal to 19 per centum of the adjusted net income.

(2) The tax shall be the tentative tax reduced by the sum of—

(A) 16½ per centum of the credit for dividends received provided in section 26 (b); and

(B) 2½ per centum of the dividends paid credit provided in section 27, but not to exceed 2½ per centum of the adjusted net income.

(d) **ALTERNATIVE TAX (CORPORATIONS WITH NET INCOME SLIGHTLY MORE THAN \$25,000).**—

(1) If no portion of the gross income consists of interest allowed as a credit by section 26 (a) (relating to interest on certain obligations of the United States and Government corporations), or of dividends of the class with respect to which credit is allowed by section 26 (b), then the tax computed under this subsection shall be equal to \$3,525, plus 32 per centum of the amount of the net income in excess of \$25,000.

(2) If any portion of the gross income consists of such interest or dividends, then the tax computed under this subsection shall be as follows:

(A) The net income shall be divided into two divisions, the first division consisting of \$25,000, and the second division consisting of the remainder of the net income.

(B) To the first division shall be allocated, until an aggregate of \$25,000 has been so allocated: First, the portion of the gross income consisting of such interest; second, the portion of the gross income consisting of such dividends; and third, an amount equal to the excess, if any, of \$25,000 over the amounts already allocated to the first division.

(C) To the second division shall be allocated, until there has been so allocated an aggregate equal to the excess of the net income over \$25,000: First, the portion of the gross income consisting of such interest which is not already allocated to the first division; second, the portion of the gross income consisting of such dividends which is not already allocated to the first division; and third, an amount equal to the excess, if any, of the net income over the sum of \$25,000 plus the amounts already allocated to the second division.

(D) The tax shall be equal to the sum of the following:

(i) A tax on the \$25,000 allocated to the first division, computed under section 14 (c), on the basis of the allocation made to the first division and as if the amount so allocated constituted the entire net income of the corporation.

(ii) 12 per centum of the dividends received allocated as such to the second division.

(iii) 32 per centum of the remainder of the amount allocated to the second division, except interest allowed as a credit under section 26 (a).

(e) **CORPORATIONS IN BANKRUPTCY AND RECEIVERSHIP.**—If a domestic corporation is for any portion of the taxable year in bankruptcy under the laws of the United States, or insolvent and in receivership in any court of the United States or of any State, Territory, or the District of Columbia, then, when the tax is computed under subsection (c), the tentative tax shall be reduced by 2½ per centum of the adjusted net income, instead of by 2½ per centum of the dividends paid credit.

(f) **JOINT-STOCK LAND BANKS.**—In the case of a joint-stock land bank organized under the Federal Farm Loan Act, as amended, when the tax is computed under subsection (c), the tentative tax shall be reduced by 2½ per centum of the adjusted net income, instead of by 2½ per centum of the dividends paid credit.

(g) **RENTAL HOUSING CORPORATIONS.**—In the case of a corporation which at the close of the taxable year is regulated or restricted by the Federal Housing Administrator under section 207 (b) (2) of the National Housing Act, as amended, when the tax is computed under subsection (c), the tentative tax shall be reduced by 2½ per centum of the adjusted net income, instead of by 2½ per centum of the dividends paid credit; but only if such Administrator certifies to the Commissioner the fact that such regulation or restriction existed at the close of the taxable year. It shall be the duty of such Administrator promptly to make such certification to the Commissioner after the close of the taxable year of each corporation which is so regulated or restricted by him.

(h) **EXEMPT CORPORATIONS.**—For corporations exempt from taxation under this title, see section 101.

(i) **TAX ON PERSONAL HOLDING COMPANIES.**—For surtax on personal holding companies, see Title IA.

(j) **IMPROPER ACCUMULATION OF SURPLUS.**—For surtax on corporations which accumulate surplus to avoid surtax on shareholders, see section 102.

SEC. 14. TAX ON SPECIAL CLASSES OF CORPORATIONS.

(a) **SPECIAL CLASS NET INCOME.**—For the purposes of this title the term "special class net income" means the adjusted net income minus the credit for dividends received provided in section 26 (b).

(b) There shall be levied, collected, and paid for each taxable year upon the special class net income of the following corporations (in lieu of the tax imposed by section 13) the tax hereinafter in this section specified.

(c) **CORPORATIONS WITH NET INCOMES OF NOT MORE THAN \$25,000.**—If the net income of the corporation is not more than \$25,000, and if the corporation does not come within one of the classes specified in subsection (d), (e), (f), or (g) of this section, the tax shall be as follows:

Upon special class net incomes not in excess of \$5,000, 12½ per centum.

\$625 upon special class net incomes of \$5,000, and upon special class net incomes in excess of \$5,000 and not in excess of \$20,000, 14 per centum in addition of such excess.

\$2,725 upon special class net incomes of \$20,000, and upon special class net incomes in excess of \$20,000, 16 per centum in addition of such excess.

(d) *SPECIAL CLASSES OF CORPORATIONS.*—In the case of the following corporations the tax shall be an amount equal to 16½ per centum of the special class net income, regardless of the amount thereof:

(1) Banks, as defined in section 104.

(2) Corporations organized under the China Trade Act, 1922.

(3) Corporations which, by reason of deriving a large portion of their gross income from sources within a possession of the United States, are entitled to the benefits of section 251.

(e) *FOREIGN CORPORATIONS.*—

(1) In the case of a foreign corporation engaged in trade or business within the United States or having an office or place of business therein, the tax shall be an amount equal to 19 per centum of the special class net income, regardless of the amount thereof.

(2) In the case of a foreign corporation not engaged in trade or business within the United States and not having an office or place of business therein, the tax shall be as provided in section 231 (a).

(f) *INSURANCE COMPANIES.*—In the case of insurance companies, the tax shall be as provided in Supplement G.

(g) *MUTUAL INVESTMENT COMPANIES.*—In the case of mutual investment companies, as defined in Supplement Q, the tax shall be as provided in such Supplement.

(h) *EXEMPT CORPORATIONS.*—For corporations exempt from taxation under this title, see section 101.

(i) *TAX ON PERSONAL HOLDING COMPANIES.*—For surtax on personal holding companies, see Title IA.

(j) *IMPROPER ACCUMULATION OF SURPLUS.*—For surtax on corporations which accumulate surplus to avoid surtax on shareholders, see section 102.

SEC. 15. CORPORATE TAXES EFFECTIVE FOR TWO TAXABLE YEARS.

The taxes imposed by section 13, section 14 (except subsection (e) (2)), Supplement G, or Supplement Q, of this Act, or by section 13, section 14, or Supplement G of the Revenue Act of 1936, shall not apply to any taxable year beginning after December 31, 1939.

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 10:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 10, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

Omit the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment, and on page 26, after line 2, of the House bill insert the following:

(d) *INVENTORIES IN CERTAIN INDUSTRIES.*—

(1) *PRODUCERS AND PROCESSORS OF CERTAIN NON-FERROUS METALS.*—A taxpayer shall be entitled to elect the method of taking inventories provided in paragraph (2) if his principal business is—

(A) Smelting non-ferrous ores or concentrates, or refining non-ferrous metals, or both; or

(B) Producing brass, copper products, or brass products, or any one or more of them, not further advanced than rods, sheets, tubes, bars, plates, or strips.

(2) *INVENTORIES OF RAW MATERIALS.*—A taxpayer entitled to elect, and who has so elected, shall, in taking his inventory as of the close of any taxable year beginning after December 31, 1938, of raw materials which are—

- (A) used in a business described in paragraph (1); and
- (B) not yet included in goods in process or finished goods; and
- (C) so intermingled that they cannot be identified with specific invoices;

treat such raw materials remaining on hand as being: First, those included in the inventory as of the beginning of the taxable year (in the order of acquisition) to the extent thereof, and second, those acquired in the taxable year, in the order of acquisition.

(3) *TANNERS.*—A taxpayer whose principal business is tanning hides or skins, or both, shall be entitled to elect (with respect to any taxable year beginning after December 31, 1938) the method provided in paragraph (2) as to the raw materials (including those included in goods in process and in finished goods) in the business of tanning hides, or skins, or both, if so intermingled that they cannot be identified with specific invoices.

(4) *INVENTORIES AT COST.*—In the case of the application of the provisions of paragraph (2) or (3) all inventories of such materials shall be taken at cost, including the inventory as of the close of the preceding taxable year.

(5) *ELECTION OF METHOD.*—The method provided in paragraph (2) or (3) shall not be applied unless the taxpayer, at or before the filing of his return for the preceding taxable year, has filed with the Commissioner his election to have it apply.

(6) *REGULATIONS AS TO CHANGE.*—The change to such method shall be made in accordance with such regulations as the Commissioner, with the approval of the Secretary, may prescribe as necessary to prevent the avoidance of tax.

(7) *CHANGE TO DIFFERENT METHOD.*—An election made under this subsection shall be irrevocable and the method so elected shall be applied in all subsequent taxable years notwithstanding any change in the principal business of the taxpayer, unless with the approval of the Commissioner change to a different method is authorized, and then upon such terms and conditions and in accordance with such regulations as the Commissioner, with the approval of the Secretary, may prescribe.

On page 26, line 3, of the House bill, strike out "(d)" and insert (e).
 On page 26, line 6, of the House bill, strike out "(e)" and insert (f).
 On page 26, line 9, of the House bill, strike out "(f)" and insert (g).
 On page 26, line 13, of the House bill, strike out "(g)" and insert (h).
 On page 26, line 16, of the House bill, strike out "(h)" and insert (i).
 And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 15:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 15, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

(1) *GENERAL RULE.*—*Debts ascertained to be worthless and charged off within the taxable year (or, in the discretion of the Commissioner, a reasonable addition to a reserve for bad debts); and when satisfied that a debt is recoverable only in part, the Commissioner may allow such debt, in an amount not in excess of the part charged off within the taxable year, as a deduction. This paragraph shall not apply in the case of a taxpayer, other than a bank, as defined in section 104, with respect to a debt evidenced by a security as defined in paragraph (3) of this subsection.*

(2) *SECURITIES BECOMING WORTHLESS.*—*If any securities (as defined in paragraph (3) of this subsection) are ascertained to be worthless and charged off within the taxable year and are capital assets, the loss resulting therefrom shall, in the case of a taxpayer other than a bank, as defined in section 104, for the purposes of this title, be considered as a loss from the sale or exchange, on the last day of such taxable year, of capital assets.*

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 20:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 20, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

Restore the matter proposed to be stricken out by the Senate amendment, and on page 47, line 20, of the House bill after "years" insert *beginning after December 31, 1935* and a comma; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 21:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 21, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

(e) *DIVIDENDS PAID CREDIT.*—*For corporation dividends paid credit, see section 27.*

(f) *CONSENT DIVIDENDS CREDIT.*—*For corporation consent dividends credit, see section 28.*

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 22:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 22, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

SEC. 27. CORPORATION DIVIDENDS PAID CREDIT.

(a) *DEFINITION IN GENERAL.*—As used in this title with respect to any taxable year the term “dividends paid credit” means the sum of:

(1) The basic surtax credit for such year, computed as provided in subsection (b);

(2) The dividend carry-over to such year, computed as provided in subsection (c);

(3) The amount, if any, by which any deficit in the accumulated earnings and profits, as of the close of the preceding taxable year (whether beginning on, before, or after January 1, 1938), exceeds the amount of the credit provided in section 26 (c) (relating to net operating losses), for such preceding taxable year (if beginning after December 31, 1937); and

(4) Amounts used or irrevocably set aside to pay or to retire indebtedness of any kind, if such amounts are reasonable with respect to the size and terms of such indebtedness. As used in this paragraph the term “indebtedness” means only an indebtedness of the corporation existing at the close of business on December 31, 1937, and evidenced by a bond, note, debenture, certificate of indebtedness, mortgage, or deed of trust, issued by the corporation and in existence at the close of business on December 31, 1937, or by a bill of exchange accepted by the corporation prior to, and in existence at, the close of business on such date. Where the indebtedness is for a principal sum, with interest, no credit shall be allowed under this paragraph for amounts used or set aside to pay such interest.

(b) *BASIC SURTAX CREDIT.*—As used in this title the term “basic surtax credit” means the sum of:

(1) The dividends paid during the taxable year, increased by the consent dividends credit provided in section 28, and reduced by the amount of the credit provided in section 26 (a), relating to interest on certain obligations of the United States and Government corporations;

(2) In the case of a taxable year beginning after December 31, 1938, the net operating loss credit provided in section 26 (c) (1);

(3) The bank affiliate credit provided in section 26 (d).

The aggregate of the amounts under paragraphs (2) and (3) shall not exceed the adjusted net income for the taxable year.

(c) *DIVIDEND CARRY-OVER.*—There shall be computed with respect to each taxable year of a corporation a dividend carry-over to such year from the two preceding taxable years, which shall consist of the sum of—

(1) The amount of the basic surtax credit for the second preceding taxable year, reduced by the adjusted net income for such year, and further reduced by the amount, if any, by which the adjusted net income for the first preceding taxable year exceeds the sum of—

(A) The basic surtax credit for such year; and

(B) The excess, if any, of the basic surtax credit for the third preceding taxable year (if not beginning before January 1, 1936) over the adjusted net income for such year; and

(2) The amount, if any, by which the basic surtax credit for the first preceding taxable year exceeds the adjusted net income for such year.

In the case of a preceding taxable year, referred to in this subsection, which begins in 1936 or 1937, the adjusted net income shall be the adjusted net income as defined in section 14 of the Revenue Act of 1936, and the basic surtax credit shall be only the dividends paid credit computed under

the Revenue Act of 1936 without the benefit of the dividend carry-over provided in section 27 (b) of such Act.

(d) *DIVIDENDS IN KIND*.—If a dividend is paid in property other than money (including stock of the corporation if held by the corporation as an investment) the amount with respect thereto which shall be used in computing the basic surtax credit shall be the adjusted basis of the property in the hands of the corporation at the time of the payment, or the fair market value of the property at the time of the payment, whichever is the lower.

(e) *DIVIDENDS IN OBLIGATIONS OF THE CORPORATION*.—If a dividend is paid in obligations of the corporation, the amount with respect thereto which shall be used in computing the basic surtax credit shall be the face value of the obligations, or their fair market value at the time of the payment, whichever is the lower. If the fair market value of any such dividend paid in any taxable year of the corporation beginning after December 31, 1935, is lower than the face value, then when the obligation is redeemed by the corporation in a taxable year of the corporation beginning after December 31, 1937, the excess of the amount for which redeemed over the fair market value at the time of the dividend payment (to the extent not allowable as a deduction in computing net income for any taxable year) shall be treated as a dividend paid in the taxable year in which the redemption occurs.

(f) *TAXABLE STOCK DIVIDENDS*.—In case of a stock dividend or stock right which is a taxable dividend in the hands of shareholders under section 115 (f), the amount with respect thereto which shall be used in computing the basic surtax credit shall be the fair market value of the stock or the stock right at the time of the payment.

(g) *DISTRIBUTIONS IN LIQUIDATION*.—In the case of amounts distributed in liquidation the part of such distribution which is properly chargeable to the earnings or profits accumulated after February 28, 1913, shall, for the purposes of computing the basic surtax credit under this section, be treated as a taxable dividend paid.

(h) *PREFERENTIAL DIVIDENDS*.—The amount of any distribution (although each portion thereof is received by a shareholder as a taxable dividend), not made in connection with a consent distribution (as defined in section 28 (a) (4)), shall not be considered as dividends paid for the purpose of computing the basic surtax credit, unless such distribution is pro rata, with no preference to any share of stock as compared with other shares of the same class, and with no preference to one class of stock as compared with another class except to the extent that the former is entitled (without reference to waivers of their rights by shareholders) to such preference. For a distribution made in connection with a consent distribution, see section 28.

(i) *NONTAXABLE DISTRIBUTIONS*.—If any part of a distribution (including stock dividends and stock rights) is not a taxable dividend in the hands of such of the shareholders as are subject to taxation under this title for the period in which the distribution is made, such part shall not be included in computing the basic surtax credit.

SEC. 28. CONSENT DIVIDENDS CREDIT.

(a) *DEFINITIONS*.—As used in this section—

(1) *CONSENT STOCK*.—The term "consent stock" means the class or classes of stock entitled, after the payment of preferred dividends (as defined in paragraph (2)), to a share in the distribution (other than in complete or partial liquidation) within the taxable year of

all the remaining earnings or profits, which share constitutes the same proportion of such distribution regardless of the amount of such distribution.

(2) *PREFERRED DIVIDENDS*.—The term “preferred dividends” means a distribution (other than in complete or partial liquidation), limited in amount, which must be made on any class of stock before a further distribution (other than in complete or partial liquidation) of earnings or profits may be made within the taxable year.

(3) *CONSENT DIVIDENDS DAY*.—The term “consent dividends day” means the last day of the taxable year of the corporation, unless during the last month of such year there have occurred one or more days on which was payable a partial distribution (as defined in paragraph (5)), in which case it means the last of such days.

(4) *CONSENT DISTRIBUTION*.—The term “consent distribution” means the distribution which would have been made if on the consent dividends day (as defined in paragraph (3)) there had actually been distributed in cash and received by each shareholder making a consent filed by the corporation under subsection (d), the specific amount stated in such consent.

(5) *PARTIAL DISTRIBUTION*.—The term “partial distribution” means such part of an actual distribution, payable during the last month of the taxable year of the corporation, as constitutes a distribution on the whole or any part of the consent stock (as defined in paragraph (1)), which part of the distribution, if considered by itself and not in connection with a consent distribution (as defined in paragraph (4)), would be a preferential distribution, as defined in paragraph (6).

(6) *PREFERENTIAL DISTRIBUTION*.—The term “preferential distribution” means a distribution which is not pro rata, or which is with preference to any share of stock as compared with other shares of the same class, or to any class of consent stock as compared with any other class of consent stock.

(b) *CORPORATIONS NOT ENTITLED TO CREDIT*.—A corporation shall not to be entitled to a consent dividends credit with respect to any taxable year—

(1) Unless, at the close of such year, all preferred dividends (for the taxable year and, if cumulative, for prior taxable years) have been paid; or

(2) If, at any time during such year, the corporation has taken any steps in, or in pursuance of a plan of, complete or partial liquidation of all or any part of the consent stock.

(c) *ALLOWANCE OF CREDIT*.—There shall be allowed to the corporation, as a part of its basic surtax credit for the taxable year, a consent dividends credit equal to such portion of the total sum agreed to be included in the gross income of shareholders by their consents filed under subsection (d) as it would have been entitled to include in computing its basic surtax credit if actual distribution of an amount equal to such total sum had been made in cash and each shareholder making such a consent had received, on the consent dividends day, the amount specified in the consent.

(d) *SHAREHOLDERS' CONSENTS*.—The corporation shall not be entitled to a consent dividends credit with respect to any taxable year—

(1) Unless it files with its return for such year (in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Commissioner with the approval of the Secretary) signed consents made under oath by persons who

were shareholders, on the last day of the taxable year of the corporation, of any class of consent stock; and

(2) Unless in each such consent the shareholder agrees that he will include as a taxable dividend, in his return for the taxable year in which or with which the taxable year of the corporation ends, a specific amount; and

(3) Unless the consents filed are made by such of the shareholders and the amount specified in each consent is such, that the consent distribution would not have been a preferential distribution—

(A) If there was no partial distribution during the last month of the taxable year of the corporation, or

(B) If there was such a partial distribution, then when considered in connection with such partial distribution;

and

(4) Unless in each consent made by a shareholder who is taxable with respect to a dividend only if received from sources within the United States, such shareholder agrees that the specific amount stated in the consent shall be considered as a dividend received by him from sources within the United States; and

(5) Unless each consent filed is accompanied by cash, or such other medium of payment as the Commissioner may by regulations authorize, in an amount equal to the amount that would be required by section 143 (b) or 144 to be deducted and withheld by the corporation if the amount specified in the consent had been, on the last day of the taxable year of the corporation, paid to the shareholder in cash as a dividend. The amount accompanying the consent shall be credited against the tax imposed by section 211 (a) or 231 (a) upon the shareholder.

(e) **CONSENT DISTRIBUTION AS PART OF ENTIRE DISTRIBUTION.**—If during the last month of the taxable year with respect to which shareholders' consents are filed by the corporation under subsection (d) there is made a partial distribution, then, for the purposes of this title, such partial distribution and the consent distribution shall be considered as having been made in connection with each other and each shall be considered together with the other as one entire distribution.

(f) **TAXABILITY OF AMOUNTS SPECIFIED IN CONSENTS.**—The total amount specified in a consent filed under subsection (d) shall be included as a taxable dividend in the gross income of the shareholder making such consent, and, if the shareholder is taxable with respect to a dividend only if received from sources within the United States, shall be included in the computation of his tax as a dividend received from sources within the United States; regardless of—

(1) Whether he actually so includes it in his return; and

(2) Whether the distribution by the corporation of an amount equal to the total sum included in all the consents filed, had actual distribution been made, would have been in whole or in part a taxable dividend; and

(3) Whether the corporation is entitled to any consent dividends credit by reason of the filing of such consents, or to a credit less than the total sum included in all the consents filed.

(g) **CORPORATE SHAREHOLDERS.**—If the shareholder who makes the consent is a corporation, the amount specified in the consent shall be considered as part of its earnings or profits for the taxable year, and shall be included in the computation of its accumulated earnings and profits.

(h) *BASIS OF STOCK IN HANDS OF SHAREHOLDERS.*—The amount specified in a consent made under subsection (d) shall, for the purpose of adjusting the basis of the consent stock with respect to which the consent was given, be treated as having been reinvested by the shareholder as a contribution to the capital of the corporation; but only in an amount which bears the same ratio to the consent dividends credit of the corporation as the amount of such shareholder's consent stock bears to the total amount of consent stock with respect to which consents are made.

(i) *EFFECT ON CAPITAL ACCOUNT OF CORPORATION.*—The amount of the consent dividends credit allowed under subsection (c) shall be considered as paid in surplus or as a contribution to the capital of the corporation, and the accumulated earnings and profits as of the close of the taxable year shall be correspondingly reduced.

(j) *AMOUNTS NOT INCLUDED IN SHAREHOLDER'S RETURN.*—The failure of a shareholder of consent stock to include in his gross income for the proper taxable year the amount specified in the consent made by him and filed by the corporation, shall have the same effect, with respect to the deficiency resulting therefrom, as is provided in section 272 (f) with respect to a deficiency resulting from a mathematical error appearing on the face of the return.

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 27:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 27, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: (e); and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 42:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 42, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

On page 8 of the Senate engrossed amendments, line 13, strike out "7" and insert 8; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 44:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 44, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: , (17), or (18); and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 47:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 47, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

(18) *PROPERTY RECEIVED IN CERTAIN CORPORATE LIQUIDATIONS.*—If the property was acquired by a shareholder in the liquidation of a corporation in cancellation or redemption of stock with respect to which gain was realized, but with respect to which, as the result of an election made by him under paragraph (7) of section 112 (b), the extent to which gain was recognized was determined

under such paragraph, then the basis shall be the same as the basis of such stock cancelled or redeemed in the liquidation, decreased in the amount of any money received by him, and increased in the amount of gain recognized to him.

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 52:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 52, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

Omit the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment, and on page 95 of the House bill, after line 25, insert the following:

(7) *ELECTION AS TO RECOGNITION OF GAIN IN CERTAIN CORPORATE LIQUIDATIONS.*—

(A) *GENERAL RULE.*—*In the case of property distributed in complete liquidation of a domestic corporation, if—*

(i) the liquidation is made in pursuance of a plan of liquidation adopted after the date of the enactment of this Act, whether the taxable year of the corporation began on, before, or after January 1, 1938; and

(ii) the distribution is in complete cancellation or redemption of all the stock, and the transfer of all the property under the liquidation occurs within the month of December, 1938—

then in the case of each qualified electing shareholder (as defined in subparagraph (C)) gain upon the shares owned by him at the time of the adoption of the plan of liquidation shall be recognized only to the extent provided in subparagraphs (E) and (F).

(B) *EXCLUDED CORPORATION.*—*The term “excluded corporation” means a corporation which at any time between April 9, 1938, and the date of the adoption of the plan of liquidation, both dates inclusive, was the owner of stock possessing 50 per centum or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote on the adoption of such plan.*

(C) *QUALIFIED ELECTING SHAREHOLDERS.*—*The term “qualified electing shareholder” means a shareholder (other than an excluded corporation) of any class of stock (whether or not entitled to vote on the adoption of the plan of liquidation) who is a shareholder at the time of the adoption of such plan, and whose written election to have the benefits of subparagraph (A) has been made and filed in accordance with subparagraph (D), but—*

(i) in the case of a shareholder other than a corporation, only if written elections have been so filed by shareholders (other than corporations) who at the time of the adoption of the plan of liquidation are owners of stock possessing at least 80 per centum of the total combined voting power (exclusive of voting power possessed by stock owned by corporations) of all classes of stock entitled to vote on the adoption of such plan of liquidation; or

(ii) in the case of a shareholder which is a corporation, only if written elections have been so filed by corporate shareholders (other than an excluded corporation) which

at the time of the adoption of such plan of liquidation are owners of stock possessing at least 80 per centum of the total combined voting power (exclusive of voting power possessed by stock owned by an excluded corporation and by shareholders who are not corporations) of all classes of stock entitled to vote on the adoption of such plan of liquidation.

(D) *MAKING AND FILING OF ELECTIONS.*—The written elections referred to in subparagraph (C) must be made and filed in such manner as to be not in contravention of regulations prescribed by the Commissioner with the approval of the Secretary. The filing must be within thirty days after the adoption of the plan of liquidation, and may be by the liquidating corporation or by the shareholder.

(E) *NONCORPORATE SHAREHOLDERS.*—In the case of a qualified electing shareholder other than a corporation—

(i) There shall be recognized, and taxed as a dividend, so much of the gain as is not in excess of his ratable share of the earnings and profits of the corporation accumulated after February 28, 1913, such earnings and profits to be determined as of December 31, 1938, but without diminution by reason of distributions made during the month of December, 1938; and

(ii) There shall be recognized, and taxed as short-term or long-term capital gain, as the case may be, so much of the remainder of the gain as is not in excess of the amount by which the value of that portion of the assets received by him which consists of money, or of stock or securities acquired by the corporation after April 9, 1938, exceeds his ratable share of such earnings and profits.

(F) *CORPORATE SHAREHOLDERS.*—In the case of a qualified electing shareholder which is a corporation the gain shall be recognized only to the extent of the greater of the two following—

(i) The portion of the assets received by it which consists of money, or of stock or securities acquired by the liquidating corporation after April 9, 1938; or

(ii) Its ratable share of the earnings and profits of the liquidating corporation accumulated after February 28, 1913, such earnings and profits to be determined as of December 31, 1938, but without diminution by reason of distributions made during the month of December, 1938.

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 54:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 54, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: the gain recognized resulting from such distribution shall be considered as a short-term capital gain—

(1) Unless such liquidation is completed before July 1, 1938; or

(2) Unless (if it is established to the satisfaction of the Commissioner by evidence submitted before July 1, 1938, that due to the laws of the foreign country in which such corporation is incorpo-

rated, or for other reason, it is or will be impossible to complete the liquidation of such company before such date) the liquidation is completed on or before such date as the Commissioner may find reasonable, but not later than December 31, 1938; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 58:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 58, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: *18 months, if and to the extent such gain is taken into account in computing net income; and the Senate agree to the same.*

Amendment numbered 60:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 60, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: *18 months, if and to the extent such loss is taken into account in computing net income; and the Senate agree to the same.*

Amendment numbered 62:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 62, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: *18 months, if and to the extent such gain is taken into account in computing net income; and the Senate agree to the same.*

Amendment numbered 64:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 64, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: *18 months, if and to the extent such loss is taken into account in computing net income; and the Senate agree to the same.*

Amendment numbered 69:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 69, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

100 per centum if the capital asset has been held for not more than 18 months;

66½ per centum if the capital asset has been held for more than 18 months but not for more than 24 months;

50 per centum if the capital asset has been held for more than 24 months.

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 72:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 72, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: 30; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 73:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 73, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

(2) *IN CASE OF NET LONG-TERM CAPITAL LOSS.*—*If for any taxable year a taxpayer (other than a corporation) sustains a net long-term capital loss, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, in lieu of the tax imposed by sections 11 and 12, a tax determined as follows, if and only if such tax is greater than the tax imposed by such sections:*

A partial tax shall first be computed upon the net income increased by the amount of the net long-term capital loss, at the rates and in the manner as if this subsection had not been enacted, and the total tax shall be the partial tax minus 30 per centum of the net long-term capital loss.

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 79:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 79, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

Omit the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment and on page 89, after line 25, of the House bill insert the following:

SEC. 106. CLAIMS AGAINST UNITED STATES INVOLVING ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY.

In the case of amounts (other than interest) received by a taxpayer from the United States with respect to a claim against the United States involving the acquisition of property and remaining unpaid for more than fifteen years, the portion of the tax imposed by section 12 attributable to such receipt shall not exceed 30 per centum of the amount (other than interest) so received.

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 88:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 88, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: *a street, suburban, or interurban electric railway, or a street or suburban trackless trolley system of transportation, or a street or suburban bus system of transportation operated as part of a street or suburban electric railway or trackless trolley system;* and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 105:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 105, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: $16\frac{1}{2}$; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 112:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 112, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: $16\frac{1}{2}$; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 115:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 115, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: $16\frac{1}{2}$ per centum thereof; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 150:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 150, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

Restore the matter proposed to be stricken out by the Senate amendment and on page 263, line 20, of the House bill strike out "16" and insert in lieu thereof $16\frac{1}{2}$; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 152:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 152, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

On page 40 of the Senate engrossed amendments, line 8, strike out "(7)" and insert (8); and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 157:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 157, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: *27 (a) without the benefit of paragraphs (3) and (4) thereof*; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 167:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 167, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

SEC. 501. ESTATE TAX RETURNS.

Section 304 (b) of the Revenue Act of 1926, as amended (relating to the amount of gross estate requiring the filing of a return), is amended by striking out "\$100,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "the amount of the specific exemption provided in section 303 (a) (4)".

SEC. 502. RETURNS OF ADDITIONAL ESTATE TAX.

Section 403 of the Revenue Act of 1932, as amended, relating to returns of the additional estate tax, is amended by striking out "\$40,000" and inserting in lieu thereof "the amount of the specific exemption provided in section 401 (c)".

SEC. 503. EXTENSIONS OF TIME FOR PAYMENT OF ESTATE TAX.

Section 305 (b) of the Revenue Act of 1926, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"(b) Where the Commissioner finds that the payment on the due date of any part of the amount determined by the executor as the tax would impose undue hardship upon the estate, the Commissioner may extend the time for payment of any such part not to exceed ten years from the due date. In such case the amount in respect of which the extension is granted shall be paid on or before the date of the expiration of the period of the extension, and the running of the statute of limitations for assessment and collection, as provided in sections 310 (a) and 311 (b), shall be suspended for the period of any such extension. If an extension is granted, the Commissioner may, if he deems it necessary, require the executor to furnish security for the payment of the amount in respect of which the extension is granted in accordance with the terms of the extension."

SEC. 504. RATE OF INTEREST ON EXTENSIONS OF TIME FOR PAYMENT OF ESTATE TAX.

Section 305 (c) of the Revenue Act of 1926, as amended, is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: "In the case of any such extension granted after March 31, 1938, the rate of interest shall be 4 per centum per annum."

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 168:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 168, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: 505; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 169:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 169, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

"(b) GIFTS LESS THAN \$4,000.—In the case of gifts (other than gifts in trust or of future interests in property) made to any person by the donor during the calendar year, the first \$4,000 of such gifts to such person shall not, for the purposes of subsection (a), be included in the total amount of gifts made during such year."

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 199:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 199, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: *"The privileges granted under this section in respect of civil aircraft employed in foreign trade or trade between the United States and any of its possessions, in respect of aircraft registered in a foreign country, shall be allowed only if the Secretary of the Treasury has been advised by the Secretary of Commerce that he has found that such foreign country allows, or will allow, substantially reciprocal privileges in respect of aircraft registered in the United States. If the Secretary of the Treasury is advised by the Secretary of Commerce that he has found that a foreign country has discontinued or will discontinue the allowance of such privileges, the privileges granted under this section shall not apply thereafter in respect of civil aircraft registered in that foreign country and employed in foreign trade or trade between the United States and any of its possessions."*

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 201:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 201, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

Restore the matter proposed to be stricken out by the Senate amendment, and on page 305, line 1, of the House bill strike out "708" and insert in lieu thereof 706; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 202:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 202, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: 707; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 206:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 206, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: 708; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 207:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 207, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following: 709; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 208:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 208, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

SEC. 710. TAX ON DISTILLED SPIRITS.

(a) Section 600 (a) (4) of the Revenue Act of 1918, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"(4) On and after January 12, 1934, and until July 1, 1938, \$2.00, and on and after July 1, 1938, \$2.25, on each proof gallon or wine gallon when below proof and a proportionate tax at a like rate on all fractional parts of such proof or wine gallon."

(b) Section 600 (c) of such Act, as amended, is amended by striking out "\$2.00 per wine gallon" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$2.25 per wine gallon".

(c) Section 4 of the Liquor Taxing Act of 1934 is amended by striking out "\$2.00" and inserting in lieu thereof "\$2.25".

(d) The amendments made by this section shall not apply to brandy and the rates of tax applicable to such brandy shall be the rates applicable without regard to such amendments.

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 211:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 211, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

SEC. 711. EXEMPTION FROM STAMP TAX ON CERTAIN TRANSFERS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

(a) Subdivision 3 of Schedule A of Title VIII of the Revenue Act of 1926, as amended, is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new paragraphs:

"The tax shall not be imposed upon deliveries or transfers of shares or certificates—

"(1) From the owner to a custodian if under a written agreement between the parties the shares or certificates are to be held or disposed of by such custodian for, and subject at all times to the instructions of, the owner; or from such custodian to such owner;

"(2) From such custodian to a registered nominee of such custodian, or from one such nominee to another such nominee, if in either case the shares or certificates continue to be held by such nominee for the same purpose for which they would be held if retained by such custodian; or from such nominee to such custodian.

No exemption shall be granted under this paragraph unless the deliveries or transfers are accompanied by a certificate setting forth such facts as the Commissioner, with the approval of the Secretary, may by regulation prescribe as necessary for the evidencing of the right to such exemption. No delivery or transfer to a nominee shall be exempt under this paragraph unless such nominee, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Commissioner, with the approval of the Secretary, is registered with the Commissioner.

"Any person who, with intent to evade the tax provided in this subdivision, falsely makes a certificate accompanying any delivery or transfer shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than \$1,000, or imprisoned not more than six months, or both."

(b) *Subdivision 9 of Schedule A of Title VIII of the Revenue Act of 1926, as amended, is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new paragraphs:*

"The tax shall not be imposed upon deliveries or transfers of instruments—

"(1) From the owner to a custodian if under a written agreement between the parties the instruments are to be held or disposed of by such custodian for, and subject at all times to the instructions of, the owner; or from such custodian to such owner;

"(2) From such custodian to a registered nominee of such custodian, or from one such nominee to another such nominee, if in either case the instruments continue to be held by such nominee for the same purpose for which they would be held if retained by such custodian; or from such nominee to such custodian.

No exemption shall be granted under this paragraph unless the deliveries or transfers are accompanied by a certificate setting forth such facts as the Commissioner, with the approval of the Secretary, may by regulation prescribe as necessary for the evidencing of the right to such exemption. No delivery or transfer to a nominee shall be exempt under this paragraph unless such nominee, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Commissioner, with the approval of the Secretary, is registered with the Commissioner.

"Any person who, with intent to evade the tax provided in this subdivision, falsely makes a certificate accompanying any delivery or transfer shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not more than \$1,000, or imprisoned not more than six months, or both."

(c) The amendments made by this section shall be effective with respect to transfers or deliveries made after June 30, 1938.

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 214:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 214, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

On page 53, line 19, of the Senate engrossed amendments strike out "714" and insert in lieu thereof 713; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 215:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 215, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

SEC. 802. APPROVAL OF CLOSING AGREEMENTS.

Section 606 (b) of the Revenue Act of 1928 is amended by striking out "is approved by the Secretary, or the Under Secretary", and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "is approved by the Secretary, the Under Secretary, or an Assistant Secretary".

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 231:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 231, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

SEC. 815. COMPROMISE BEFORE SUIT.

Section 3229 of the Revised Statutes is amended by striking out "with the advice and consent of the Secretary of the Treasury" and inserting in lieu thereof "with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, or of the Under Secretary of the Treasury, or of an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury".

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 232:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 232, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

SEC. 816. EXTENSION OF TIME FOR PAYMENT OF DEFICIENCIES APPROVED BY COMMISSIONER.

The requirement of section 272 (j) of the Revenue Act of 1936, 1934, 1932, and 1928, section 274 (k) of the Revenue Act of 1926, as amended, section 274 (g) of the Revenue Act of 1924, section 250 (f) of the Revenue Act of 1921, section 513 (i) of the Revenue Act of 1932, and section 308 (i) of the Revenue Act of 1926, of approval by the Secretary of extension of time for payment of deficiency in income, estate, or gift tax shall not apply after thirty days after the date of the enactment of this Act, but the approval shall be by the Commissioner under regulations prescribed by the Commissioner with the approval of the Secretary.

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 233:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 233, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

On page 65, line 18, of the Senate engrossed amendments strike out "818" and insert in lieu thereof 817; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 234:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 234, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

SEC. 818. TAXES OF INSOLVENT BANKS.

Section 22 of the Act of March 1, 1879 (20 Stat. 351; 12 U. S. C. 570), is amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 22. (a) Whenever and after any bank or trust company, a substantial portion of the business of which consists of receiving deposits and

making loans and discounts, has ceased to do business by reason of insolvency or bankruptcy, no tax shall be assessed or collected, or paid into the Treasury of the United States on account of such bank, or trust company, which shall diminish the assets thereof necessary for the full payment of all its depositors; and such tax shall be abated from such national banks as are found by the Comptroller of the Currency to be insolvent; and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, when the facts shall appear to him, is authorized to remit so much of the said tax against any such insolvent banks and trust companies organized under State law as shall be found to affect the claims of their depositors.

“(b) Whenever any bank or trust company, a substantial portion of the business of which consists of receiving deposits and making loans and discounts, has been released or discharged from its liability to its depositors for any part of their claims against it, and such depositors have accepted, in lieu thereof, a lien upon subsequent earnings of such bank or trust company, or claims against assets segregated by such bank or trust company or against assets transferred from it to an individual or corporate trustee or agent, no tax shall be assessed or collected, or paid into the Treasury of the United States on account of such bank, or trust company, such individual or corporate trustee or such agent, which shall diminish the assets thereof which are available for the payment of such depositor claims and which are necessary for the full payment thereof.

“(c) Any such tax so collected shall be deemed to be erroneously collected, and shall be refunded subject to all provisions and limitations of law, so far as applicable, relating to the refunding of taxes, but tax so abated or refunded after the date of the enactment of the Revenue Act of 1938 shall be reassessed whenever it shall appear that payment of the tax will not diminish the assets as aforesaid. The running of the statute of limitations on the making of assessment and collection shall be suspended during, and for ninety days beyond, the period for which, pursuant to this section, assessment or collection may not be made, and a tax which has been abated may be reassessed and collected during the time within which, had there been no abatement, collection might have been made.

“(d) This section shall not apply to any tax imposed by the Social Security Act.”

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 235:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 235, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

On page 68, line 4, of the Senate engrossed amendments strike out “820” and insert in lieu thereof 819; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 236:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 236, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

SEC. 820. MITIGATION OF EFFECT OF LIMITATION AND OTHER PROVISIONS IN INCOME TAX CASES.

(a) **DEFINITIONS.**—For the purpose of this section—

(1) **DETERMINATION.**—The term “determination under the income tax laws” means—

(A) A closing agreement made under section 606 of the Revenue Act of 1928, as amended;

(B) A decision by the Board of Tax Appeals or a judgment, decree, or other order by any court of competent jurisdiction, which has become final; or

(C) A final disposition by the Commissioner of a claim for refund. For the purposes of this section a claim for refund shall be deemed finally disposed of by the Commissioner—

(i) as to items with respect to which the claim was allowed, upon the date of allowance of refund or credit or upon the date of mailing notice of disallowance (by reason of offsetting items) of the claim for refund, and

(ii) as to items with respect to which the claim was disallowed, in whole or in part, or as to items applied by the Commissioner in reduction of the refund or credit, upon expiration of the time for instituting suit with respect thereto (unless suit is instituted prior to the expiration of such time).

Such term shall not include any such agreement made, or decision, judgment, decree, or order which has become final, or claim for refund finally disposed of, prior to ninety days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(2) **TAXPAYER.**—Notwithstanding the provisions of section 901, the term “taxpayer” means any person subject to a tax under the applicable Revenue Act.

(3) **RELATED TAXPAYER.**—The term “related taxpayer” means a taxpayer who, with the taxpayer with respect to whom a determination specified in subsection (b) (1), (2), (3), or (4) is made, stood, in the taxable year with respect to which the erroneous inclusion, exclusion, omission, allowance, or disallowance therein referred to was made, in one of the following relationships: (A) husband and wife; (B) grantor and fiduciary; (C) grantor and beneficiary; (D) fiduciary and beneficiary, legatee, or heir; (E) decedent and decedent's estate; or (F) partner.

(b) **CIRCUMSTANCES OF ADJUSTMENT.**—When a determination under the income tax laws—

(1) Requires the inclusion in gross income of an item which was erroneously included in the gross income of the taxpayer for another taxable year or in the gross income of a related taxpayer; or

(2) Allows a deduction or credit which was erroneously allowed to the taxpayer for another taxable year or to a related taxpayer; or

(3) Requires the exclusion from gross income of an item with respect to which tax was paid and which was erroneously excluded or omitted from the gross income of the taxpayer for another taxable year or from the gross income of a related taxpayer; or

(4) Allows or disallows any of the additional deductions allowable in computing the net income of estates or trusts, or requires or denies any of the inclusions in the computation of net income of

beneficiaries, heirs, or legatees, specified in section 162 (b) and (c) of this Act, and corresponding sections of prior revenue Acts, and the correlative inclusion or deduction, as the case may be, has been erroneously excluded, omitted, or included, or disallowed, omitted, or allowed, as the case may be, in respect of the related taxpayer; or

(5) Determines the basis of property for depletion, exhaustion, wear and tear, or obsolescence, or for gain or loss on a sale or exchange, and in respect of any transaction upon which such basis depends there was an erroneous inclusion in or omission from the gross income of, or an erroneous recognition or nonrecognition of gain or loss to, the taxpayer or any person who acquired title to such property in such transaction and from whom mediately or immediately the taxpayer derived title subsequent to such transaction—

and, on the date the determination becomes final, correction of the effect of the error is prevented by the operation (whether before, on, or after the date of enactment of this Act) of any provision of the internal-revenue laws other than this section and other than section 3229 of the Revised Statutes, as amended (relating to compromises), then the effect of the error shall be corrected by an adjustment made under this section. Such adjustment shall be made only if there is adopted in the determination a position maintained by the Commissioner (in case the amount of the adjustment would be refunded or credited in the same manner as an overpayment under subsection (c)) or by the taxpayer with respect to whom the determination is made (in case the amount of the adjustment would be assessed and collected in the same manner as a deficiency under subsection (c)), which position is inconsistent with the erroneous inclusion, exclusion, omission, allowance, disallowance, recognition, or nonrecognition, as the case may be. In case the amount of the adjustment would be assessed and collected in the same manner as a deficiency, the adjustment shall not be made with respect to a related taxpayer unless he stands in such relationship to the taxpayer at the time the latter first maintains the inconsistent position in a return, claim for refund, or petition (or amended petition) to the Board of Tax Appeals for the taxable year with respect to which the determination is made, or if such position is not so maintained, then at the time of the determination.

(c) **METHOD OF ADJUSTMENT.**—The adjustment authorized in subsection (b) shall be made by assessing and collecting, or refunding or crediting, the amount thereof, to be ascertained as provided in subsection (d), in the same manner as if it were a deficiency determined by the Commissioner with respect to the taxpayer as to whom the error was made or an overpayment claimed by such taxpayer, as the case may be, for the taxable year with respect to which the error was made, and as if on the date of the determination specified in subsection (b) one year remained before the expiration of the periods of limitation upon assessment or filing claim for refund for such taxable year.

(d) **ASCERTAINMENT OF AMOUNT OF ADJUSTMENT.**—In computing the amount of an adjustment under this section there shall first be ascertained the tax previously determined for the taxable year with respect to which the error was made. The amount of the tax previously determined shall be (1) the tax shown by the taxpayer, with respect to whom the error was made, upon his return for such taxable year, increased by the amounts

previously assessed (or collected without assessment) as deficiencies, and decreased by the amounts previously abated, credited, refunded, or otherwise repaid in respect of such tax; or (2) if no amount was shown as the tax by such taxpayer upon his return, or if no return was made by such taxpayer, then the amounts previously assessed (or collected without assessment) as deficiencies, but such amounts previously assessed, or collected without assessment, shall be decreased by the amounts previously abated, credited, refunded, or otherwise repaid in respect of such tax. There shall then be ascertained the increase or decrease in the tax previously determined which results solely from the correct exclusion, inclusion, allowance, disallowance, recognition, or nonrecognition, of the item, inclusion, deduction, credit, gain, or loss, which was the subject of the error. The amount so ascertained (together with any amounts wrongfully collected, as additions to the tax or interest, as a result of such error) shall be the amount of the adjustment under this section.

(e) *ADJUSTMENT UNAFFECTED BY OTHER ITEMS, ETC.*—The amount to be assessed and collected in the same manner as a deficiency, or to be refunded or credited in the same manner as an overpayment, under this section, shall not be diminished by any credit or set-off based upon any item, inclusion, deduction, credit, exemption, gain, or loss other than the one which was the subject of the error. Such amount, if paid, shall not be recovered by a claim or suit for refund or suit for erroneous refund based upon any item, inclusion, deduction, credit, exemption, gain, or loss other than the one which was the subject of the error.

(f) *NO ADJUSTMENT FOR YEARS PRIOR TO 1932.*—No adjustment shall be made under this section in respect of any taxable year beginning prior to January 1, 1932.

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 238:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 238, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

**SEC. 821. INTEREST ACCRUING AFTER OCTOBER 24, 1933,
AND BEFORE AUGUST 30, 1935, ON DELIN-
QUENT INCOME, ESTATE, AND GIFT TAXES.**

Interest accruing after October 24, 1933, and prior to August 30, 1935, on delinquent income, estate, and gift taxes shall be computed at the rate of 6 per centum per annum. Any such interest accruing during such period which has been collected prior to the date of the enactment of this Act in excess of such rate shall be credited or refunded to the taxpayer, if claim therefor is filed within six months after the date of the enactment of this Act. No interest shall be allowed or paid on any such credit or refund.

And the Senate agree to the same.

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