# WISCONSIN TAX BULLETIN

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# SPECIAL BULLETIN

#### NEW WISCONSIN TAX LAWS

The 1981-83 budget bill (Chapter 20, Laws of 1981) which was signed by the Governor on July 29 and was published on July 30, 1981, contains a number of changes to the Wisconsin tax laws. This special issue of the WTB contains brief descriptions of the new income, corporation franchise/income, farmland preservation credit, homestead credit, inheritance, sales and use and excise tax provisions.

If you have any questions concerning these new laws, you may contact the Wisconsin Department of Revenue, Technical Services, Post Office Box 8910, Madison, Wisconsin 53708.

#### TAX LAW PROVISIONS IN BUDGET BILL

INCOME TAXES		Effective Date
1.	Update Reference to Internal Revenue Code to December 31, 1980 for Individuals, Estates and Trusts	1981 tax year
2.	Rent Credit Changed	1981 tax year
3.	Work Requirements Changed for Child Care Deduction	1981 tax year
4.	Prorate Personal Exemption Credits on Basis of Months	1981 tax year
5.	Define "Gross Income" Relating to Requirements to File a Tax Return	1981 tax year
6.	Writ of Mandamus to File a Tax Return	July 31, 1981
7.	Define Terms for Declaration of Estimated Tax	July 31, 1981
8.	Exempt Income of Certain Trust Accounts of Nonresidents	1981 tax year
9.	Defer Gain on Sale of Residence - Replacement Outside of Wisconsin	1982 tax year
10.	5% Minimum Tax	1981 tax year
11.	Capital Gain and Loss Changes	1982 tax year
12.	Accelerated Depreciation for Individuals, Estates and Trusts	1981 tax year

CORPORATE FRANCHISE/INCOME TAXES		Effective Date
1.	Update Internal Revenue Code Reference to December 31, 1980 for Insurance Companies, Regulated Investment Companies and Real Estate Investment Trusts	1981 tax year
2.	Clarify That Federal Income Taxes are Not Deductible	1975 tax year
3.	Clarify the Limitation for Deductible Dividends	1980 tax year
4.	Eliminate Deduction for State Taxes	1981 tax year
5.	Eliminate Deduction for Windfall Profits Tax	1981 tax year
6.	Addition to Tax Penalty Not Deductible	1981 tax year
7.	Accrual of Real Estate Taxes	1981 tax year
8.	Involuntary Conversions - Replacement Property Outside Wisconsin	1981 tax year
9.	Imputed Interest	1981 tax year
10.	Capitalize Intangible Drilling Costs	1981 tax year
11.	Eliminate Requirement to File Extension Form 7005 Within Ten Days	1981 tax year
12.	Six Month Extensions for DISCs and Cooperatives	1981 tax year
13.	Corporate Reorganization	1981 tax year
14.	60% Payment of Tax Liability Required to Meet Exception to Addition to Tax	July 31, 1981, except that amounts that would have been due before July 31, 1981 should be prorated equally among and paid with installments of estimated taxes beginning with the payment for the calendar quarter beginning October 1, 1981
15.	Define Declaration of Estimated Tax Terms	July 31, 1981
16.	Accelerated Depreciation	1981 tax year
17.	Corporate Tax Rate Changed	1981 tax year

#### FARMLAND PRESERVATION CREDIT

1. Farmland Preservation Credit Changes

#### Effective Date

1981 tax year

#### HOMESTEAD CREDIT

1. Depreciation Added to Household Income

claims filed for the year 1981

2. Homestead Credit Formula Changed

claims filed for the year 1981

# INHERITANCE TAXES

1. Update Reference to Internal Revenue Code to December 31, 1980 for Qualified Retirement Plans, Installment Payments and Power of Appointment

transfers because of death on or after July 1, 1981 except power of appointment becomes effective July 31, 1981

# SALES AND USE TAXES

1. Retailers Discount Changed

sales and use taxes payable on returns filed for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1983

2. Define When Sales and Use Tax Returns and Other Actions are Timely Filed

Exempt All Fuels Converted to Electric Energy, Gas or Steam

October 1, 1981

July 31, 1981

4. Exempt Corporate Reorganizations

July 31, 1981

 Define "Substantially Similar" in Section 77.51(10)(b)

October 1, 1981

July 31, 1981

6. Exemption for Metropolitan Sewerage Districts

## EXCISE TAXES

 Motor Fuel and Special Fuel Tax Increase to 13¢ Per Gallon

August 1, 1981

2. Impose New Excise Tax on Aviation Fuel

January 1, 1982

		Effective Date		
3.	Liquor and Wine Tax Increased	August 1, 1981		
4.	Cigarette Tax Increased to 20¢ Per Pack	August 1, 1981		
5.	New Tax on Tobacco Products	October 1, 1981		
6.	Filing Quarterly Reports-Beer, Liquor, Cigarette and Special Fuel	October 1, 1981		
OTHER LAW CHANGES				
1.	Interest Rate and Addition to Tax Penalty Increased From 9% to 12%	determinations, assessments or other actions made by the Department of Revenue on or after August 1, 1981 regardless of the taxable period to which they pertain		
2.	Annual Adjustment to Withholding Tables	January 1, 1983		
3.	Nonacquiescence of Tax Appeals Commission Decisions	July 31, 1981		
4.	Eliminate Requirement to File Form 10	1981 tax year		
5.	Fraudulent Homestead Credit, Farmland Credit and Alternative Energy Credit Claims a Felony	claims filed on or after July 31, 1981		
6.	Time Limit for Refunding Income and Franchise Taxes	returns for the 1981 tax year		
7.	Lien for Unpaid Taxes - Effective Date	July 31, 1981		
8.	Application of Non-Delinquent Tax Payments	July 31, 1981		
9.	Payment of Income Tax Refunds or Tax Credits if a Person Dies	July 31, 1981		
10.	Property Tax Deferral for Persons 65 or Over	July 31, 1981		

11. Reduce Refunds for Debts Owed the State

February 1, 1982