MONTSERRAT

INCOME AND CORPORATION TAX (AMENDMENT) ACT

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I ASSENT

Adrian Davis

Governor

DATE:3.1.12

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An act to amend the income and corporation tax act (cap 17.01).

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Montserrat, and by the Authority of the same as follows:—

1. Short title and commencement

This Act may be cited as the Income and Corporation Tax (Amendment) Act, 2011 and comes into force on a date fixed by the Governor acting on the advice of Cabinet.

2. Interpretation

In this Act—

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"principal Act" means the Income and Corporation Tax Act, (Cap. 17.01).

3. Section 3 amended

Section 3 of the principal Act is amended by deleting from paragraph (h) the following words—

"greater than \$36,000 per annum".

4. Section 6 amended

Section 6 of the principal Act is amended as follows—

- (a) by deleting paragraph (j) and substituting the following—
 - "(j) the income derived by the Premier from the occupation of his official residence; this exemption does not apply to any housing allowance paid to, or housing benefit received by the Premier if no official residence is provided;" and
- (b) by deleting paragraph (oo) and substituting the following immediately after paragraph (o)—
 - "(oa) the interest payable to an individual on
 - (i) a savings account; or
 - (ii) interest bearing deposits;".

5. Section 21 amended

Section 21 of the principal Act is deleted and the following substituted—

"21. (1) A person engaged in any trade, business or in any profession shall keep in the English language proper books of account sufficient to record all transactions necessary in order to ascertain the gains and profits made or the loss incurred in the trade, business or

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- profession, and the books of account shall be kept for at least seven years following their creation.
- (2) A person who fails to comply with subsection (1) is guilty of an offence, and in addition to any penalty incurred, he is liable to pay any tax to which he may be assessed under this Act."

6. Section 34 amended

Section 34 of the principal Act is amended by deleting subsections (2) and (3) and substituting the following—

- "(2) An individual who has primary responsibility for caring for an incapacitated dependent who continuously resides with him during the basic year is entitled to an allowance of \$2,400 in the year of assessment commencing on January 1, 2005.
- (3) An individual is entitled, from assessment year 2011, in respect of each of the individual's incapacitated dependent—
 - (a) that is wholly maintained by the individual, to an allowance of \$2,400; or
 - (b) that is maintained jointly with one or more other individuals, to a proportion of the allowance of \$2,400 that the Comptroller of Inland Revenue considers to reflect the proportion to which the individual maintains the incapacitated dependent.
- (4) For the purpose of subsection (3)—
 - "incapacitated dependent" means a person—

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- (a) who is rendered unable to work as a result of a disability of the body or mind;
- (b) whom the Comptroller considers, having regard to the place of residence of the person as indicated by a certificate from the Community Services Department or otherwise, is in whole or in part maintained by the individual; and
- (c) who is not entitled to a pension, income or social welfare benefit exceeding \$7,200 in total per year;
- (5) An individual who makes payments in respect of life or health insurance premiums, on his own behalf and that of his family members on the policy (which is limited to spouse and children under the age of 25 in full time education) during the basic year, is entitled to allowances in respect of payments commencing assessment year January 1, 2008
- (6) An individual is entitled, from assessment year 2011, to an allowance, subject to a maximum of \$4,000, of the amount of the total premiums that he proves to the satisfaction of the Comptroller was paid on a policy that he owns in that year in respect of life or health insurance for:
 - (a) the individual; and
 - (b) the individual's husband or wife; and
 - (c) any child of the individual, whether natural or adopted, who has not attained the age of 25 and is in full time education.
- (7) An individual is entitled, from assessment year 2005, to an allowance in respect of

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payments of social security contributions made on his own behalf that he proves to the satisfaction of the Comptroller were paid in that year."

7. Section 38 amended

Section 38(2) of the principal Act is deleted and the following is substituted—

"(2) The amount of tax so deducted is to be set off against the tax payable by that person for the year of assessment in which such deduction is made.".

8. Section 51 amended

Section 51 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by deleting subsection (1) and substituting the following—
 - "(1) It shall be the duty of every person who receives an income to deliver to the Comptroller on or before the thirty-first day of March in each year, or such other date as may be prescribed, a true and correct return in the form and manner prescribed, of the whole of his income from every source whatever for the basic year and if absent from Montserrat to give the name and address of an agent residing in Montserrat."
- (b) by inserting the following as subsection (1A):
 - "(1A) A person may, in accordance with section 5 of the Electronic Transactions Act, 2009 (No. 7 of 2009), deliver the return in subsection (1) online in the prescribed form."

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- (c) in subsection (2), by deleting the words "thirty-first day of January" and substituting the words "thirty-first day of March".
- (d) by inserting the following as subsection (2A):
 - "(2A) A person who fails to deliver a true and correct return under subsection (1) shall pay a fine of \$10 in respect of each month he fails to submit a return."
- (e) by inserting at the beginning of subsection (3) the words "Subject to subsection (2A),".

9. Section 75 amended

Section 75 of the principal Act is deleted and replaced with the following—

- "75. (1) Subject to subsections (2) and (3), a person who defaults on the payment of tax in excess of \$20 on the due date is liable to a penalty of 5% of the tax in arrears.
 - (2) The provisions of this Act relating to the collection and recovery of tax apply to the collection and recovery of the penalties in subsection (1).
 - (3) The Comptroller may waive the penalty in subsection (1) if—
 - (a) he is satisfied that the failure to pay on or before the due date was not due to wilful negligence; and
 - (b) the person makes arrangements, which are satisfactory to the Comptroller for the payment of the arrears, before the expiration of 30 days from the due date, or any

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extended period the Comptroller may in any particular case allow.

(4) A person who makes arrangements for the payment of arrears in accordance with subsection (3)(b) and fails to make payment is liable to the penalty in subsection (1) that was waived.

10. Schedule 2 amended

Schedule 2 of the principal Act is deleted and the following substituted—

"SCHEDULE 2

(section 36)

The rate of income tax for the years of assessment commencing on or after January 1, 1999 are as follows—

On every dollar of the first \$2,500 of chargeable income – 20 cents in the dollar;

On every dollar of the next \$6,000 of chargeable income viz. from \$2,501 to \$8,500 - 25 cents in the dollar:

On every dollar beyond \$8,500 of chargeable income – 30 cents in the dollar.

The rates of income tax for any year of assessment commencing on or after January 1, 2006 are as follows—

On every dollar of the first \$5,000 of chargeable income – 15 cents in the dollar:

On every dollar of the next \$6,000 of chargeable income viz. from \$5,001 to \$11,000 - 25 cents in the dollar;

On every dollar beyond \$11,000 of chargeable income – 30 cents in the dollar.

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The rates of income tax for any year of assessment commencing on or after January 1, 2013 are as follows—

On every dollar of the first \$5,000 of chargeable income – 5 cents in the dollar;

On every dollar of the next \$5,000 of chargeable income viz. from \$5,001 to \$10,000 - 15 cents in the dollar;

On every dollar of the next \$5,000 of chargeable income viz. from \$10,001 to \$15,000 - 25 cents in the dollar;

On every dollar of the next \$120,000 of chargeable income viz. from \$15,001 to \$135,000 - 30 cents in the dollar;

On every dollar beyond \$135,000 of chargeable income – 40 cents in the dollar."

11. Schedule 3 amended

Schedule 3 of the principal Act is deleted and the following substituted—

"SCHEDULE 3

(section 36)

RATE OF TAX ON PENSIONS

The rate of income tax on pension for any year of assessment commencing on or after January 1st, 2008 is as follows—

On every dollar up to \$60,000 - 0%

On every dollar beyond \$60,000 - 5%."

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12. Income Tax Rules amended

The amendments to the Income Tax Rules are set out in the Schedule.

SCHEDULE

AMENDMENT TO THE INCOME TAX RULES

1. Rule 7 amended

Rule 7 of the Income Tax Rules is deleted and the following substituted—

- "7. (1) The return of income required to be delivered to the Comptroller under section 51 of the Act shall be in Form A or Form B of Schedule B.
- (2) Form A shall be completed by an individual with a single source of income, who may also claim social security payments and life and health insurance premiums.
- (3) Form B shall be completed by all other individuals."

2. Schedule B amended

The 'Individual Income Tax Return' Form in Schedule B of the Income Tax Rules is deleted and the following forms substituted—

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"Form A

Inland Revenue Department

P.O. Box 99

INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURN

IRD 07

Brades

Montserrat

Indi	vidual tax return for the period:	1 January to 31 December	20
1.	Print IRD Number here:		
2.	Name:	First Name	
		Surname	
3.	Address:		
4.	Profession/Occupation:		
5.	Contact/Telephone Number:	[
6.	Are you claiming Life and Health In	nsurance Premiums?	
	No O Go to Q 7.		
			Total claimed
	Yes O Self \$	Others \$	\$
7.	Are you claiming Personal Social S	security Payments?	
	No O Go to Q 8.		Total claimed
	Yes O		\$

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8. Declar	ration (MUST BE COMPLETED)	
	ase note that non-declaration or incorrect submission and the imposition of penalties in accordance with sec	•
I		_ of
	(Name in block letters)	(Address)
(b)	I have a single source of income; the attached IRD5 'Annual Employee Certificate' of and social security payments for the year ended 31 where applicable, I have attached proof of any life this return for the year ended 31 December 20	December 20; and health insurance premiums I am claiming; and
(Sig	gnature of Taxpayer	(Date)

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"Form B

Inland Revenue Department P.O. Box 99 Brades

Montserrat

INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURN



Indi	ividual tax return for the period:	1 January to 31 December	
			20
1.	If your IRD Number is not shown	above, print it here:	
2.	If your correct name is not shown above print it here:	First Names	
		Surname	
3.	If your correct address is not sho	wn	
	above print it here:		
4.	Profession/Occupation:		
5.	Contact/Telephone Number:		
6.	Did you receive any salary wages	s, pension or employment related ber	nofits?
		, penson of employment remets see	
		income from salary, wages, or ben	
	Employer/Paye		Total tax deductions
		S	\$
		\$	S
		S	S
7.	Did you have any overseas incom	e?	
	No O Go to Q 8.		
	Yes O Print the totals here.		seas tax paid Total overseas income
	overseas tax paid to t	he front of the return.	S
8.	Did you receive any rents?		
	No O Go to Q 9.		
	Yes O Print net rents here as profit and loss statem		Net rents
	prom and 1055 statem	ion on page 4.	S

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9.	Did you receive any income from self employment? No O Go to Q 10.			
	Yes O Print net income here and compl	luctions Self-employed income		
	the profit and loss statement on p	page 4.	\$	
	7			
10.	No Go to Q 11.	le pension)		
	Yes O Print details here:			
Nam	e of Payer Type	of income	Total other income	
1			\$	
			\$	
			•	
11.	Add all income shown in Q 5 to 10 and pri	int the total here:	Total income	
	Go to Q 12.		3	
12.	General deduction for resident individuals	S	Personal allowance deduction	
	Deduct \$15,000 personal allowance or th		e	
	income if less than \$15,000. Go to Q 13.		\$	
13.		aid on residential propert	ty?	
	No O Go to Q 14.		Total mortgage interest	
	Yes O Print amount here and attach a c		st s	
	statement from your lending ins to income year 2006 & \$8.000 f			
	Percentage /proportion of mortg		med.	
14.		ce Premiums?		
	No O Go to Q 15.		Total claimed	
	Yes O Self 5	Others §	\$	
15.	Are you claiming Personal Social Securit	y Payments?		
	No O Go to Q 16.		Total claimed	
	Yes O		\$	
16.	A latining Towns - Marked Days and		63 400)	
10.	Are you claiming Incapacitated Depende No O Go to Q 17.	iii Anowance: (Maximun	11 32,400)	
	Yes O			
	Full Name of Incapacitated Dependent			
	Relation of Dependent			
	Nature of Incapacitation			
	State income, if any of the Incapacitated De	pendent		
	What percentage of the Incapacitated Deper	-	niming?	
	Is the Incapacitated Dependent living with y	•		
	No O	•	Total claimed	
	Yes O Age		\$	
	res O Age		ļ	

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17.	Add all deductions claimed in Q $12-16$.	Print the total he	Total deductions ere:- \$
18.	Income after deductions Subtract the total deductions arrived at in Q shown in Q 11 and print the answer here: Go to Q 19.	17 from the total income as	Income after deduction.
19.	Are you claiming any losses? No O Go to Q 20 Yes O Print net loss amounts here:	Amount brought forward	Amount claimed this year
20.	Taxable income Subtract the loss at Q 19 from the income after the deductions shown in Q 18 and print the answer here: \$\$\frac{Taxable income}{\\$}\$\$		
21.	No O Go to Q 22. Pensi Yes O Print details Pensi	Pension ion deduction ion taxable @ 5% (i.e. total pens vension deduction)	\$ 60.000
22.	Did you pay any provisional tax for this income year? No ○ Go to Q 23. Yes ○ Print the total provisional tax here:		Provisional tax paid
23.	Is this income tax return for a full year of No O Please provide details of the per Yes O		
	Now complete and sign the declaration in Q 2	24.	
24.	Declaration (MUST BE COMPLETED) Please note that non-declaration or incorrect return could mean the imposition of penaltic Tax Act (CAP. 17.01).		
I		of	
certi	(Name in block letters) ify that this return for the year ended December	(Address er 20 is a true, correct and	
	(Signature of Taxpayer	(Date)	

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Inland Revenue Department P.O. Box 99 Brades Montserrat

INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURN



15 cents in the dollar 25 cents in the dollar

30 cents in the dollar

On every dollar beyond \$11,000

TAX COMPUTATION RATES

The tax upon the taxable income of every person other than a company is as follows:

On every dollar of the first \$5,000 of taxable income On every dollar of the next \$6,000 viz from \$5,001 - \$11,000

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Income	\$
Other Income	\$
Total Income	\$
Salary and Wages	\$
Telephone	\$
Utilities (Water & Electricity)	\$
Insurance	\$
Rent	\$
Office Supplies	\$
Building Repairs/Maintenance	\$
Advertising	\$
Motor Vehicle	\$
Accounting and Legal	\$
Travel	\$
Interest	\$
Depreciation	\$

\$

\$

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Total Expenses

Net Income

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Teresina Bodkin

SPEAKER

Passed the Legislative Assembly this 20th day of December, 2011.

Judith Baker

CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY