

Things to know about this quarter's tax developments and related US GAAP accounting implications

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Welcome to our September 2025 Quarterly tax developments publication, which focuses on income tax developments that could affect US GAAP accounting.

Here we describe certain tax developments previously summarized in Tax Alerts or other EY publications or identified by EY tax professionals or EY foreign member firms. These developments may affect your tax provision or estimated annual effective tax rate.

We compile this information because we recognize that, for many companies, the most challenging aspect of accounting for income taxes is identifying changes in tax law and other events when they occur so the accounting can be reflected in the appropriate period. However, this publication is not a comprehensive list of all changes in tax law and other events that may affect income tax accounting.

This edition covers certain enacted and effective tax legislation, as well as regulatory developments, legislative proposals and other items identified through 23 September 2025, except as noted.

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Tax developments

Legislation enacted in the third quarter for US GAAP purposes

Companies are required to account for the effects of tax law changes on their deferred tax assets and liabilities in the period the legislation is enacted. Additionally, companies must reflect the effects of an enacted change in tax laws or rates in their annual effective tax rate computation in the period the changes are enacted. If an interim change is significant, temporary differences may need to be estimated as of the enactment.

Federal, state and territories

Federal - On 4 July 2025, President Trump signed into law H.R. 1, known as the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act" (OBBBA). The OBBBA contains tax provisions and revenue offsets meant to accompany extensions of Tax Cuts & Jobs Act provisions that were previously set to expire at the end of 2025. Business-related provisions include:

- Allowing taxpayers to (1) currently deduct their domestic research and experimental (R&E) expenditures incurred in tax years beginning after 31 December 2024, (2) elect to capitalize and amortize those expenditures ratably over no less than 60 months, beginning with the month in which they first realize the benefits from those expenditures, or (3) elect to capitalize and amortize those expenditures ratably over 10 years, beginning in the tax year in which the expenditure is made
- Allowing taxpayers to elect to accelerate unamortized domestic R&E expenditures incurred after 31 December 2021 but before 1 January 2025 by either deducting the remaining unamortized amount in full in the first tax year beginning after 31 December 2024 or deducting the unamortized amount ratably over two tax years, starting with the first tax year that begins after 31 December 2024
- Permanently basing a taxpayer's adjusted taxable income (ATI) on taxable earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization, rather than taxable earnings before interest and taxes, for purposes of calculating the limit on deductions for business interest expense but eliminating global intangible lowed-taxed income (GILTI) and Subpart F inclusions (and any associated Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 78 gross-up) from the ATI calculation
- Subjecting interest expense that is capitalized under an elective capitalization provision to the limit on deductions for business interest expense
- Permanently allowing 100% bonus depreciation for qualified property acquired and placed into service on or after 19 January 2025
- Allowing immediate expensing of costs incurred for construction of certain new US factories, certain improvements to existing US factories and certain other US structures in the year they are placed in service, provided construction begins after 19 January 2025 but before 1 January 2029, and the structures are placed in service before 1 January 2031
- Increasing the advanced manufacturing investment credit to 35% from 25% for property placed in service after 31 December 2025
- Allowing taxpayers to expense \$2.5 million under IRC Section 179 (up from \$1 million) for tax years beginning after 2024, with the phaseout increasing to \$4 million
- Repealing or phasing out certain renewable energy credits enacted under the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)
- Modifying the executive compensation rules for publicly held corporations, effective for tax years beginning after 31 December 2025
- Limiting corporate charitable contributions in tax years beginning after 31 December 2025, with a floor of 1% of taxable income, a limitation of 10% of taxable income in any tax year and the ability to carry forward limited contributions for five years
- Permanently setting the deduction rate under IRC Section 250 for global intangible low-taxed income (GILTI) at 40% for tax years beginning after 31 December 2025, and changing the computation of GILTI and GILTI foreign tax credits

- Permanently setting the deduction rate under IRC Section 250 for foreign-derived intangible income (FDII) to 33.34% for tax years beginning after 31 December 2025, and changing the computation of FDII
- Permanently setting the base erosion and anti-abuse tax (BEAT) rate at 10.5% and eliminating the unfavorable treatment of research and certain other credits that would have applied for tax years beginning after 31 December 2025
- Making the new markets tax credit permanent and expanding the low-income housing tax credit
- Creating a new permanent Opportunity Zone Program with rolling 10-year designations

The effective dates of the OBBBA's provisions vary. See Tax Alerts 2025-1418, dated 10 July 2025; 2025-1421, dated 10 July 2025; 2025-1428, dated 11 July 2025; 2025-1432, dated 11 July 2025; 2025-1434, dated 14 July 2025; 2025-1476, dated 15 July 2025; 2025-1487, dated 15 July 2025; 2025-1508, dated 17 July 2025; 2025-1510, dated 17 July 2025; 2025-1531, dated 18 July 2025; 2025-1548, dated 21 July 2025; 2025-1608, dated 28 July 2025. For discussion of a revenue procedure on applying the changes made to the treatment of R&E expenditures, see the Other considerations section of this publication.

California – On 3 July 2025, California enacted legislation expanding the definition of a qualified taxpayer, for purposes of claiming and assigning motion picture tax credit 3.0 and 4.0 and the certified studio credit, to include a single-member limited liability company that is a disregarded entity for tax purposes. The legislation also expands the projects that may count toward calculation of motion picture tax credit 4.0 and the certified studio tax credit to include certain live action and animated series. The changes, among others, are effective upon enactment and have varying applicability dates. See the State and Local Tax Weekly for 18 July 2025 and 25 July 2025.

Colorado - On 28 August 2025, Colorado enacted legislation requiring companies to add foreign-derived deduction eligible income (FDDEI, formerly known as FDII) to their state tax base. The legislation also permits companies to exclude from their state tax base all IRC Section 78 dividends, rather than limiting exclusion to IRC Section 78 dividends from foreign subsidiaries in certain jurisdictions.

The legislation also adds five jurisdictions to the state's list of tax havens, while allowing the executive director of the Colorado Department of Revenue to use discretion in determining if a taxpayer has rebutted the presumption of tax avoidance by being incorporated in a listed jurisdiction. The changes are effective for tax years beginning on or after 1 January 2026.

Additionally, beginning in Colorado's fiscal year 2025-2026, the legislation authorizes the state treasurer to sell corporate income tax credits to corporations doing business in Colorado. The credits may be carried forward through tax year 2033. See <u>Tax Alert 2025-1788</u>, dated 3 September 2025.

District of Columbia - On 3 September 2025, the District of Columbia enacted emergency legislation delaying until 2030 when a combined group can deduct a portion of the increase in its net deferred tax liability resulting from the prior enactment of the District's combined reporting provisions. The emergency legislation is effective for 90 days and will expire on 2 December 2025. These changes would be permanently enacted via a separate bill that is going through the full legislative process, which includes a mandatory 30-in-session-day review period by Congress.

Louisiana – On 1 July 2025, Louisiana enacted legislation extending the Angel Investor Tax Credit Program through 30 June 2026. The new law tightens eligibility by requiring businesses to demonstrate they are high-growth, wealth-creating and primarily engaged in a particular sector (e.g., energy and process industries, aerospace and defense, life sciences and technology). Other changes include:

- Eliminating a requirement to divide the credit equally over two years
- Expanding the qualifying investment to include investments in Louisiana Entrepreneurial Businesses located in parishes with a population of less than 50,000

The changes have varying effective dates. See the State and Local Tax Weekly for 18 July 2025 and 25 July 2025.

¹ A Tax Alert has not been published on this development.



Missouri - On 10 July 2025, Missouri enacted legislation that will allow companies to deduct 100% of all capital gains reported for federal income tax purposes. The change is effective when certain general revenue collections reach a specified threshold. See the State and Local Tax Weekly for 18 July 2025 and 25 July 2025.

Wisconsin - On 3 July 2025, Wisconsin enacted a film tax credit, which is available for tax years beginning after 31 December 2025. The credit has an aggregate cap of \$5 million per year for a project and a \$1 million cap for any single applicant per year. See Tax Alert 2025-1504, dated 16 July 2025.

IRC conformity

The following chart lists the states that enacted legislation this quarter updating their conformity to the US IRC. The chart includes enactment and effective dates and the date of conformity. Additional information on a state's IRC conformity can be found in the cited reference.

State	Enactment date	Date of conformity	Effective date	Reference
Maine	1 July 2025	31 December 2024	Tax years beginning on or after 1 January 2024 and any prior tax year specifically provided by the IRC of 1986 and its amendments as of 31 December 2024	State and Local Tax Weekly for 4 July 2025 and 11 July 2025

International

Germany - On 18 July 2025, Germany enacted legislation that ratably reduces its corporate tax rate to 10% from 15% over five years, beginning in tax year 2028. The legislation also increases the maximum research and development (R&D) allowance to EUR3 million by increasing the maximum base used to determine the allowance to EUR12 million (from EUR10 million) for eligible expenses incurred after 31 December 2025. For projects beginning after 31 December 2025, a flat-rate surcharge may apply for certain operating costs, which allows eligible taxpayers to include more of these costs when calculating their research allowance, up to the EUR12 million maximum base. Other changes include introducing a declining balance depreciation rate of up to 30% for investments in movable fixed assets made from 1 July 2025 through 31 December 2027. See <u>Tax Alert 2025-1611</u>, dated 28 July 2025.

Romania - On 25 July 2025, Romania enacted legislation increasing its dividend tax rate to 16% from 10% for dividends distributed beginning with tax years starting on or after 1 January 2026. See Tax Alert 2025-1622, dated 30 July 2025.

Legislation effective in the third quarter

Federal, state and territories

Connecticut - Effective 1 July 2025, a biotechnology company may receive up to 90% (rather than 65%) of the value of the R&D credit and the R&E credit for tax years beginning on or after 1 January 2025. The change was enacted on 30 June 2025. See the State and Local Tax Weekly for 4 July 2025 and 11 July 2025.

International

Gibraltar – Effective 11 July 2025, new anti-tax avoidance legislation applies. The new legislation updates the definition of tax avoidance and authorizes the Commissioner of Revenue to counteract or disregard tax benefits from a tax avoidance arrangement. The legislation was enacted on 21 July 2025. See Tax Alert 2025-1567, dated 23 July 2025.

Pakistan – Effective 1 July 2025, a 15% withholding tax applies to capital gains from the disposal of certain debt securities (not including transactions executed through the stock exchange and settled through the National Clearing Company of Pakistan Limited). A 10% withholding tax applies to gain from the disposal of a nonresident's debt securities in certain cases. Other changes include:

- Reducing the amortization period for intangibles without an ascertainable useful life to 15 years from 25 years
- ▶ Eliminating taxpayers' ability to offset income from property with business losses

- Generally requiring banks to capitalize and amortize leasehold improvements over 10 years
- Introducing a 25% tax on dividends paid by mutual funds (15% in certain cases)
- Increasing the rate of tax on payments to nonresidents for offshore digital services to 15% from 10%
- Increasing withholding tax rates on permanent establishment (PE) payments to 8% from 4% for certain services

The changes, among others, were enacted 30 June 2025. See Tax Alert 2025-1675, dated 11 August 2025.

Tanzania – Effective 1 July 2025, the Commissioner General for the Tanzania Revenue Authority may treat 30% of certain corporations' undistributed profits as distributed, thereby subjecting those profits to 10% withholding tax. If the corporation later distributes the previously deemed distributions, withholding tax will not apply.

This rule does not apply to Tanzanian subsidiaries of foreign companies because the Revenue Authority considers those corporations to be controlled foreign corporations, so any unallocated income of the members is deemed distributed.

Other changes include:

- Broadening the definition of equity to include positive retained earnings, which will likely affect companies' debt-to-equity ratios under Tanzania's thin capitalization rules
- Decreasing the limit on tax losses that businesses in certain sectors may carry forward to 60% from 70%
- Increasing eligibility for the 25% reduced corporate tax rate by decreasing to 25% from 30% the percentage of equity ownership that an entity must issue to the public to qualify for the rate
- Limiting the income tax exemption for investors within Export Processing Zones and Special Economic Zones to exporters only
- Increasing the final withholding tax rates to 10% from 5% for insurance premium payments paid to nonresidents and payments for technical and management services provided in the extractive sector by resident persons

The changes, among others, were enacted 30 June 2025. See <u>Tax Alert 2025-1649</u>, dated 4 August 2025.

Treaty changes

Tax treaties are agreements between countries that typically address withholding tax rates or exemptions on dividends, interest and royalties paid in multiple jurisdictions. Exceptions may apply based on the tax treaty (e.g., reduced rates may apply to certain categories of investors, capital gains from immovable property or property-rich companies may be taxable). The following tax treaty changes were effective in the third calendar quarter, except where indicated.

Countries involved		Summary of changes	
Bangladesh	Hong Kong	Provides general withholding tax rates of 15% on dividends and 10% on interest, royalties and service fees; exempts capital gains from tax (effective 1 April 2025 in Hong Kong).	

Court decisions, regulations issued by tax authorities and other events may constitute new information that could trigger a change in judgment in recognition, derecognition or measurement of a tax position.

These events also may affect

your current or deferred

tax accounting.

Other considerations

Federal, state and territories

Federal – In a notice, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) outlined when construction of a wind or solar facility is considered to have begun for purposes of determining whether the facility qualifies for tax credits under IRC Sections 45Y (clean energy production credit) and 48E (clean electricity investment credit). The 5% safe harbor test is generally eliminated for wind and solar projects (with limited exceptions), leaving the physical work test as the only way to establish that the project has begun construction. Under that test, construction has begun when physical work of a significant nature commences, including both on-site and off-site work. The new rules apply to many wind and solar projects whose construction has not begun before 2 September 2025. See <u>Tax Alert 2025-1709</u>, dated 19 August 2025.

In another notice, the Treasury Department (Treasury) and the IRS announced that forthcoming regulations propose to simplify the application of IRC Section 897 to inbound asset reorganizations involving publicly traded foreign corporations redomiciling in the US under IRC Section 368(a)(1)(F). The regulations would, among other things, remove the requirement for foreign companies looking to reorganize as US entities to recognize gains on certain property transferred in the reorganization. The regulations would apply to distributions, transfers or exchanges occurring on or after 19 August 2025.

Additionally, Treasury and the IRS clarified that stock transfers not part of a reorganization plan do not affect the qualification of the transaction under IRC Section 368(a)(1)(F), even if they occur during reorganization. Taxpayers may rely on the guidance in the notice until the proposed regulations are published. See Tax Alert 2025-1742, dated 22 August 2025.

In a separate notice, Treasury and the IRS announced that they intend to remove the disregarded payment loss rules published in January 2025, including modifications recently made to a deemed ordering rule in Treas. Reg. 1.1503(d)-3(c)(3). Until the removal, transitional relief applies under which Pillar Two top-up taxes do not give rise to foreign use of dual consolidated losses in tax years beginning before 1 January 2028. See <u>Tax Alert 2025-1756</u>, dated 26 August 2025.

In another notice, the IRS announced that it plans to partially withdraw proposed regulations on the corporate alternative minimum tax (CAMT) applicable to corporate investments in partnerships and to propose new CAMT regulations on those investments. The IRS also provided interim guidance on which taxpayers may rely until the new proposed regulations have been issued. See Tax Alert 2025-1753, dated 26 August 2025.

Separately, the IRS announced, 2 via two notices, its intent to partially withdraw and revise proposed regulations on applying the CAMT. One notice provides interim guidance on applying the CAMT to domestic corporate transactions, financially troubled companies and consolidated groups. The other notice:

- Provides additional interim guidance on computing adjusted financial statement income (AFSI), including new AFSI adjustments not otherwise available under the existing proposed regulation
- Modifies the rules for relying on the existing proposed regulations
- Announces Treasury's intent to defer the proposed applicability date of the forthcoming regulations

See <u>Breaking Tax News bulletin 2025-1972</u>, dated 30 September 2025.

In a revenue procedure, the IRS issued guidance on how to accelerate the remaining amortization on domestic R&E expenditures incurred in 2022-2024 tax years, as well as on how to make method changes to comply with IRC Section 174A for domestic R&E expenditures incurred in tax years beginning after 31 December 2024. See <u>Tax Alert 2025-1914</u>, dated 23 September 2025.

² A Tax Alert on this development is forthcoming.

The US Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit held that neither the Comparable Uncontrolled Transaction method nor an unspecified method applied by the US Tax Court should be used to determine the transfer price of royalties paid by a Puerto Rican company to its US parent for the exclusive right to use intangible property to manufacture and sell certain medical devices. The Eighth Circuit remanded the case for further proceedings and directed the Tax Court to conduct additional fact-finding to determine whether the comparable profits method could be adjusted and used to determine the transfer price. See Tax Alert 2025-1852, dated 12 September 2025.

California – The Office of Administrative Law approved the Franchise Tax Board's amendments to its market-based sourcing rules for receipts from services and intangibles for California corporate franchise and income tax purposes. The amended regulations apply to tax years beginning on or after 1 January 2026. The amendments provide rebuttable presumptions for sourcing various kinds of services, adopting presumptive methods for the sourcing of services related to real property, tangible personal property, intangible property and individuals. Special rules apply when sourcing asset management fees and fees from large volume professional service providers, among others. See Tax Alert 2025-1848, dated 12 September 2025.

State³ – The following states have released guidance for state corporate income tax purposes on decoupling from certain provisions in the OBBBA:

- Alabama
- Maryland
- Rhode Island

Tax amnesties

This table shows tax amnesties that were announced or went into effect in the third quarter of 2025.

Jurisdiction	Amnesty period	Taxes covered	Reference
Saudi Arabia	1 July 2025 –	Corporate income taxes,	Tax Alert 2025-1390,
	31 December 2025	among others	dated 7 July 2025

International

Australia – In a 4-3 decision, the High Court of Australia held that an American beverage company did not owe royalty withholding tax or diverted profits tax on payments from an unrelated Australian beverage company that contractually agreed to bottle and distribute the American company's beverages in Australia. The High Court reasoned that the payments were not royalties because the parties' contract did not indicate they were consideration for the use of, or right to use, trademarks or other intellectual property listed in Article 124(a)-(b) of the US-Australia income tax treaty.

Regarding the diverted profits tax, the High Court concluded that a tax benefit did not result from the contract and there was not a principal purpose of obtaining a tax benefit. The High Court noted that the facts did not support the Australian Taxation Office's argument that the American company obtained a tax benefit under the contract. See <u>Tax Alert 2025-1697</u>, dated 15 August 2025.

Canada – The Canada Revenue Agency announced that it has delayed the date by which Canadian resident corporations must begin withholding tax on reimbursements paid to a foreign company for services performed in Canada by the company's subcontractors. The withholding requirement now applies to reimbursements of subcontractor fees made after 30 June 2026, rather than 30 September 2024. See <u>Tax Alert 2025-1726</u>, dated 20 August 2025.

Chile – In a ruling, the tax authority concluded that Chilean withholding tax does not apply to software program payments made by Chilean companies to US software providers under reseller agreements that grant distribution rights to resell standard software licenses to local customers without acquiring ownership or rights to reproduce, modify or exploit the software. The tax authority reasoned that the payments qualified as business profits under the Chile-US income tax treaty, rather than royalties, because the treaty's protocol definition of royalties excludes distribution rights. This interpretation is exclusive to the Chile-US Tax Treaty and may not be extended to other treaties signed by Chile. See Tax Alert 2025-1836, dated 11 September 2025.

³ A Tax Alert has not been published on this development.



India – The Delhi Income Tax Appellate Tribunal held that a Japanese company did not create a fixedplace PE in India by sending its employees to work for its Indian subsidiary. The Tribunal reasoned that the employees were fully integrated into the operations of the Indian subsidiary and operated solely under its direction, not under the control of the Japanese parent. The Tribunal also noted that the Japanese company did not have any premises or facilities 'at its disposal' in India. See Tax Alert 2025-1840, dated 11 September 2025.

Italy - The Court of Justice of the European Union (EU) held that Italy violated EU law by imposing the Italian regional tax on productive activities (IRAP) on 50% of dividends received by an Italian bank from its subsidiaries in other EU member countries. The Court reasoned that the IRAP conflicts with the EU's Parent-Subsidiary Directive (PSD), which limits dividend taxation to 5% of dividends received. Although the IRAP is not listed among the taxes covered by the PSD, the Court found that the tax was still subject to the directive's 5% threshold. Additionally, the Court noted, Italy adopted the PSD and already taxes 5% of dividends received under its corporate income tax rules. See Tax Alert 2025-1645, dated 4 August 2025.

Vietnam – In a decree, the Ministry of Finance outlined guidance for implementing Vietnam's new gualified domestic minimum top-up tax (QDMTT) and income inclusion rule (IIR). The implementation rules largely align with the Global Anti-Base Erosion (GloBE) rules, while also providing guidance on QDMTT exclusions, applicable accounting standards, and administrative and compliance requirements, among other things. The decree is effective 15 October 2025 and applies retroactively to fiscal years beginning in or after December 2023. See <u>Tax Alert 2025-1816</u>, dated 8 September 2025.

National, state and local governments continue to seek to increase their revenues. Companies should continue to monitor developments in this area. Some of these potential tax law changes are summarized here.

Things we have our eyes on

Federal, state and territories

Federal – A member of the House Ways and Means Committee proposed a high-level framework around the tax treatment of cryptocurrency. The proposals include:

- Applying the wash sale rules to digital assets
- Offering optional mark-to-market accounting for qualified traders and institutions
- Clarifying when income from staking and mining is realized and how it should be reported
- Updating charitable contributions rules to cover donations of appreciated crypto to nonprofits

See Tax Alert 2025-1580, dated 25 July 2025.

Separately, 4 President Trump's Working Group on Digital Asset Markets released a report recommending the same proposals as the Ways and Means member. The working group's report also recommended new legislation that would characterize payment stablecoins for federal income tax purposes and modify existing income recognition and reporting rules to allow for the widespread use of stablecoins as cash equivalents. Other recommendations included publishing new administrative guidance on:

- How unrealized gains and losses on certain investment assets are treated for CAMT purposes
- Whether wrapping/unwrapping transactions are taxable
- Valuation
- Non-fungible tokens

Members of the Ways and Means and Senate Finance Committees introduced a bill that would extend through 2030 the IRC Section 181 100% deduction for production costs of films, television and sound recordings in the year paid or incurred. See Tax Alert 2025-1826, dated 10 September 2025.

California⁵ – The legislature approved a bill that would update California's conformity to the IRC. Generally, California selectively incorporates specific provisions of the IRC as of 1 January 2015. The bill would update California's specified IRC conformity date to 1 January 2025.

The bill was sent to the governor on 22 September 2025, who has 30 days to act on the measure.

Michigan⁶ – The state legislature is considering a bill that would update Michigan's IRC conformity date to the IRC in effect on 1 January 2025 (from 1 January 2018). Alternatively, taxpayers could opt for the IRC in effect for the tax year at issue. The bill would, among other things, also decouple from the OBBBA's modifications to the tax treatment of business interest expense, R&E expenditures, bonus depreciation and 100% depreciation for certain non-residential real property used in qualified production activities.

Texas⁷ – In a proposed rule, the Comptroller of Public Accounts generally proposed allowing companies to calculate their total revenue for franchise tax purposes using certain line items from their federal income tax return, rather than the 2007 version of the IRC, as historically required. If the franchise tax statute references a specific provision in the IRC, however, companies would be required to calculate the related item using the 2007 version of that IRC provision.

A Tax Alert has not been published on these proposals. For discussion of the report's recommendation on information reporting rules for cryptocurrency, see <u>Tax Alert 2025-1674</u>, dated 11 August 2025.

⁵ A Tax Alert on this development is forthcoming.

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Other proposed changes under the franchise tax rule include:

- Requiring an entity that is disregarded for federal tax purposes to compute revenue for franchise tax purposes as if it were a corporation for federal tax purposes, unless it elects to be disregarded for Texas purposes
- Clarifying how certain exclusions from total revenue apply

International

Bermuda - In a public consultation, the government proposed technical amendments to the Corporate Income Tax Act, which would clarify some provisions to more closely align the act with the GloBE rules. Proposed changes would address the treatment of shock losses, allocation of adjusted creditable foreign taxes, exclusion of certain foreign exchange gains or losses from net investment hedges, and adjustments related to the separately proposed Tax Credits Act, among other things. See Tax Alert 2025-1897, dated 19 September 2025.

In another public consultation, the government proposed a utilities infrastructure tax credit, which could offset a company's corporate income tax liability. The credit is intended to support investment in infrastructure for electricity generation and distribution, digital communications, and fuel distribution. See Tax Alert 2025-2025-1913, dated 23 September 2025.

Canada – In draft legislation, the government proposed broadening the income deduction for scientific R&E development expenditures to include (1) capital expenditures for property acquired after 15 December 2024 or (2) lease costs incurred after that date. The government also proposed strengthening the foreign affiliate rules by preventing Canadian companies from avoiding current taxation of their foreign affiliates' undistributed profits from passive businesses.

Additionally, the draft legislation would preclude Canada's "excessive interest and financing expense limitation" rules from applying to interest and other expenses incurred before 1 January 2036, on arm's-length financing used to build or acquire certain rental properties.

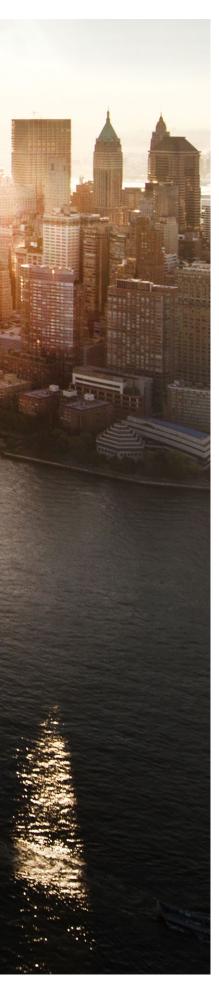
The government also proposes technical amendments that would affect, among other things:

- Foreign affiliate share-for-share exchanges
- Foreign mergers
- The taxation of certain capital gains from international shipping
- ► The limitation on excessive interest and financing expenses
- The determination of foreign accrual tax, foreign tax credits and various surpluses for a taxpayer with a foreign affiliate that has foreign accrual property income and pays income or profits tax to a foreign jurisdiction under a domestic minimum top-up tax regime
- The determination of tax depreciation on a vessel used to earn exempt international shipping income in some tax years and non-exempt income in other tax years
- The exclusion of concessional loans as government assistance for purposes of various cost base adjustments and resource pools

See Tax Alert 2025-1740, dated 22 August 2025.

In other draft legislation, the Department of Finance proposed changes to Canada's Global Minimum Tax Act (GMTA), including:

- Introducing the concept of a private investment entity and a related anti-avoidance rule to address issues that can arise from using Canadian accounting rules to compute minimum tax liabilities under Pillar Two
- Amending the rules on reallocating taxes to align with administrative guidance that the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) released in June 2024



Incorporating revised guidance on the treatment of certain deferred tax assets that arose before the application of the global minimum tax because of certain governmental arrangements or the introduction of a new corporate income tax

See Tax Alert 2025-1908, dated 22 September 2025.

Chile – The government proposed taxing distributions to Chilean-resident companies from public investment funds and eliminating investors' current tax exemption for those distributions. Other changes include:

- Increasing the withholding tax rate on distributions from public funds to foreign investors to 20% from 10%
- Subjecting income earned within private investment funds to corporate income tax at the regular 27% rate

See Tax Alert 2025-1601, dated 28 July 2025.

Colombia - Congress is considering a bill that would permanently increase to 15% (currently 5% until 2027) the surtax on the income of certain financial institutions, insurance companies and stockbrokers, among others, for a total corporate income tax rate of 50%. For coal and oil extraction activities, the bill would lower the threshold at with the surtax applies. Additionally, the surtax rate could increase from the current 10% to as much as 15%. This means, in certain cases, that companies in these sectors could face a total corporate income tax rate of up to 50%.

Other proposals include:

- Increasing the withholding tax on dividends paid to nonresidents to 30% from 20%
- Increasing the holding period to apply the 15% capital gains rate on the transfer of fixed assets to four years from two years
- Eliminating the deductibility of payments that were not subject to withholding tax made to companies located in tax havens and compliant with transfer pricing rules
- Treating any structuring/restructuring as an abusive transaction if it involved Colombian tax residents, is not reported to the Colombian Tax Authority and is not disclosed in the notes of the resident's financial statements

See <u>Tax Alert 2025-1821</u>, dated 9 September 2025.

European Union – The European Commission recommended corporate tax incentives that EU Member States could offer to encourage private investment in clean technologies and industrial decarbonization. Proposed incentives include:

- Corporate income tax credits for investments that reduce greenhouse gas emissions or improve the energy efficiency of industrial activities
- Accelerated depreciation for costs incurred in a tax period for the acquisition or lease of clean technology equipment

Member States must inform the commission by 31 December 2025, if they intend to introduce any of the incentives. See Tax Alert 2025-1398, dated 8 July 2025.

G20 - Following its July 2025 meeting in South Africa, the G20 Finance Ministers expressed support for a "balanced and practical solution" to concerns over Pillar Two global minimum taxes. See Tax Alert 2025-1609, dated 28 July 2025.

Korea – The Ministry of Economy and Finance proposed increasing the corporate tax rate brackets as follows:

- 10% from 9%
- 20% from 19%
- 22% from 21%
- 25% from 24%

The Ministry also proposed expanding the scope of a foreign corporation's Korean-sourced dividend income to include dividend equivalents from over-the-counter derivative transactions. Other proposals include:

- Taxing dividends that Korean corporations distribute to foreign shareholders from capital reserves to the extent that the dividends exceed the shareholder's basis in the shares
- Expanding the scope of Korean-sourced other income, to which a 22% withholding tax generally applies, to include the difference between consideration paid for an asset located in Korea and the asset's fair market value if that difference is 30% or more

See Tax Alert 2025-1662, dated 6 August 2025.

Netherlands – In its tax plan for 2026, the Dutch government included updates to the Dutch Minimum Tax Act of 2024 to reflect OECD administrative guidance issued shortly before or after the law's enactment. If favorable for taxpayers, the changes would be retroactively effective to reporting years beginning on or after 31 December 2023. If the changes are unfavorable, the effective date would be 31 December 2025.

The Dutch government also proposed allowing a mutual fund or fund for joint account (FGRs) to choose not to be classified as an FGR for Dutch corporate income tax purposes for tax years 2025 and 2026 (possibly 2027), provided certain requirements are met. The proposal is intended to address issues arising from a new FGR definition, which took effect in January 2025 and effectively classified, as Dutch corporate taxpayers, FGRs that were previously treated as tax-transparent entities.

See <u>Tax Alert 2025-1869</u>, dated 16 September 2025.

Poland – In official guidance, the Ministry of Finance discussed how to apply Poland's beneficial owner rules for withholding tax purposes. Topics addressed include:

- The definition of a beneficial owner
- The types of payments to which the beneficial ownership requirement applies
- The criteria for evaluating the economic substance of a beneficial owner's business
- The application of a look-through approach to determine if an entity besides the payment recipient is the beneficial owner of the payment

See Tax Alert 2025-1541, dated 21 July 2025.

Uruguay – The Parliament is considering a bill that would treat gains from transferring shares or equity in nonresident entities as Uruguayan-sourced under certain conditions. Other changes include:

- Applying nonresident income tax withholding to dividends paid by local companies to foreign shareholders if the foreign jurisdiction taxes the dividends and allows a credit for Uruguayan tax withheld
- Changing the tax benefit for charitable donations to 50% credit and 50% deductible expense from 70% credit and 30% deductible expense

See <u>Tax Alert 2025-1825</u>, dated 9 September 2025.



Appendix A

Accounting and financial reporting implications of H.R. 1, also known as the 'One Big Beautiful Bill Act'

Overview

President Donald Trump signed the tax legislation known as the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, or the "OBBBA," into law on 4 July 2025. The OBBBA extends or reinstates certain provisions of the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA), includes tax relief measures, modifies certain energy tax credits granted under the IRA and sets various limits on tax deductions, among other key provisions.

Companies should carefully assess the effects of the tax law changes in the OBBBA on their accounting for income taxes and disclosures. This publication summarizes the key provisions of the OBBBA and incorporates our views on its accounting and financial reporting implications. To see the complete publication, click here.



Appendix B

Overview of Pillar Two implementation across the world

Final legislation				
Jurisdiction Rules covered				
European Union	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Australia	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Austria	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Bahamas	QDMTT			
Bahrain	QDMTT			
Barbados	QDMTT			
Belgium	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Brazil	QDMTT			
Bulgaria	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Canada	QDMTT, IIR			
Croatia	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Cyprus*	DMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Czech Republic	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Denmark	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Estonia	Filing obligations			
Finland	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
France	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Germany	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Gibraltar	QDMTT, IIR			
Greece	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Guernsey	QDMTT, IIR			
Hong Kong	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Hungary	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Indonesia	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Ireland	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Isle of Man	QDMTT, IIR			
Italy	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Japan	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Jersey***	QDMTT, IIR			
Kenya	QDMTT			

Final legislation				
Jurisdiction	Rules covered			
Kuwait	QDMTT			
Latvia	Filing obligations			
Liechtenstein	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Lithuania	Filing obligations			
Luxembourg	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Malaysia	QDMTT, IIR			
Malta	Filing obligations			
Mauritius	QDMTT			
Netherlands	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
New Zealand	IIR, UTPR			
North Macedonia	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Norway	QDMTT, IIR			
Oman	QDMTT, IIR			
Poland	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Portugal	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Qatar	QDMTT, IIR			
Romania	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Singapore	QDMTT, IIR			
Slovakia	QDMTT			
Slovenia	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
South Africa	QDMTT, IIR			
South Korea	IIR, UTPR			
Spain	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Sweden	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Switzerland	QDMTT, IIR			
Thailand	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Turkey	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
United Arab Emirates	QDMTT			
United Kingdom	QDMTT, IIR, UTPR			
Vietnam	QDMTT, IIR			
Erosian and Profit Shifting (REDS) 2.0 LEV				

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Rules covered	
T, IIR	
T, IIR	
IR, UTPR	
PR	
ITT	
ITT	

Intention to implement Pillar Two

Indicates new in Q3

Acronyms: IIR (Income Inclusion Rule), UTPR (Undertaxed Profits Rule), DMTT (Domestic Minimum Top-up Tax), QDMTT (Qualified Domestic Minimum Top-up Tax).

Cyprus has introduced DMTTs, which are not anticipated to meet QDMTT status as part of the peer review.

Source: EY BEPS Developments Tracker Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS) 2.0 | EY - global

Note: Developments Tracker cut-off date - as of 15 September 2025.

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