112TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2382

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 24, 2011

Ms. Jenkins introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; REFERENCE.

- 2 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
- 3 "Tax Return Due Date Simplification and Modernization
- 4 Act of 2011".
- 5 (b) Reference.—Except as otherwise expressly pro-
- 6 vided, whenever in this Act an amendment or repeal is
- 7 expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal of, a
- 8 section or other provision, the reference shall be consid-
- 9 ered to be made to a section or other provision of the In-
- 10 ternal Revenue Code of 1986.
- 11 SEC. 2. NEW DUE DATE FOR PARTNERSHIP FORM 1065, S
- 12 CORPORATION FORM 1120S, AND C CORPORA-
- 13 TION FORM 1120.
- 14 (a) Partnerships.—
- 15 (1) In General.—Section 6072 is amended by
- adding at the end the following new subsection:
- 17 "(f) Returns of Partnerships.—Returns of part-
- 18 nerships under section 6031 made on the basis of the cal-
- 19 endar year shall be filed on or before the 15th day of
- 20 March following the close of the calendar year, and such
- 21 returns made on the basis of a fiscal year shall be filed
- 22 on or before the 15th day of the third month following
- 23 the close of the fiscal year.".
- 24 (2) Conforming Amendment.—Section
- 25 6072(a) is amended by striking "6017, or 6031"
- and inserting "or 6017".

1	(b) S Corporations.—
2	(1) In general.—So much of subsection (b) of
3	6072 as precedes the second sentence thereof is
4	amended to read as follows:
5	"(b) Returns of Certain Corporations.—Re-
6	turns of S corporations under sections 6012 and 6037
7	made on the basis of the calendar year shall be filed or
8	or before the 31st day of March following the close of the
9	calendar year, and such returns made on the basis of a
10	fiscal year shall be filed on or before the last day of the
11	third month following the close of the fiscal year.".
12	(2) Conforming amendments.—
13	(A) Section 1362(b) is amended—
14	(i) by striking "15th" each place it
15	appears and inserting "last",
16	(ii) by striking "2½" each place it ap-
17	pears and inserting "3", and
18	(iii) by striking "2 months and 15
19	days" in paragraph (4) and inserting "3
20	months".
21	(B) Section 1362(d)(1)(C)(i) is amended
22	by striking "15th" and inserting "last".
23	(C) Section 1362(d)(1)(C)(ii) is amended
24	by striking "such 15th day" and inserting "the
25	last day of the 3d month thereof"

1	(c) Conforming Amendments Relating to C
2	Corporations.—
3	(1) Section 170(a)(2)(B) is amended by strik-
4	ing "third month" and inserting "4th month".
5	(2) Section 563 is amended by striking "third
6	month" each place it appears and inserting "4th
7	month".
8	(3) Section $1354(d)(1)(B)(i)$ is amended by
9	striking "3d month" and inserting "4th month".
10	(4) Subsection (a) and (c) of section 6167 are
11	each amended by striking "third month" and insert-
12	ing "4th month".
13	(5) Section 6425(a)(1) is amended by striking
14	"third month" and inserting "4th month".
15	(6) Subsections $(b)(2)(A)$, $(g)(3)$, and $(h)(1)$ of
16	section 6655 are each amended by striking "3rd
17	month" and inserting "4th month".
18	(d) Effective Dates.—
19	(1) In general.—Except as provided in para-
20	graph (2), the amendments made by this section
21	shall apply to returns for taxable years beginning
22	after December 31, 2011.
23	(2) Delayed date for c corporations
24	WITH FISCAL YEARS ENDING ON JUNE 30.—In the
25	case of any C corporation with a fiscal year ending

1	on June 30, the amendments made by this section
2	shall apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
3	ber 31, 2021.
4	SEC. 3. MODIFICATION OF DUE DATES BY REGULATION.
5	In the case of returns for taxable years beginning
6	after December 31, 2011, the Secretary of the Treasury
7	or the Secretary's delegate shall modify appropriate regu-
8	lations to provide as follows:
9	(1) The maximum extension for the returns of
10	partnerships filing Form 1065 shall be a 6-month
11	period ending on September 15 for calendar year
12	taxpayers.
13	(2) The maximum extension for the returns of
14	trusts filing Form 1041 shall be a $5\frac{1}{2}$ -month period
15	ending on September 30 for calendar year taxpayers.
16	(3) The maximum extension for the returns of
17	employee benefit plans filing Form 5500 shall be an
18	automatic 3½-month period ending on November 15
19	for calendar year taxpayers.
20	(4) The maximum extension for the returns of
21	organizations exempt from income tax filing Form
22	990 shall be an automatic 6-month period ending on
23	November 15 for calendar year filers.
24	(5) The due date of Form 3520–A (relating to

the Annual Information Return of Foreign Trust

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- with a United States Owner) for calendar year filers shall be April 15 with a maximum extension for a 6-month period ending on October 15.
- (6) The due date of Form TD F 90–22.1 (relating to Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Ac-6 counts) shall be April 15 with a maximum extension 7 for a 6-month period ending on October 15 and with 8 provision for an extension under rules similar to the 9 rules in Treas. Reg. section 1.6081–5. For any tax-10 payer required to file such Form for the first time, 11 any penalty for failure to timely request for, or file, 12 an extension, may be waived by the Secretary.

13 SEC. 4. CORPORATIONS PERMITTED STATUTORY AUTO-

- 14 MATIC 6-MONTH EXTENSION OF INCOME TAX
- 15 RETURNS.
- 16 (a) In General.—Section 6081(b) is amended by
- 17 striking "3 months" and inserting "6 months (7 months
- 18 in the case of a C corporation described in section 2(d)(2)
- 19 of the Tax Return Due Date Simplification and Mod-
- 20 ernization Act of 2011)".
- 21 (b) Uniform Rule After Certain C Corpora-
- 22 TIONS ARE SUBJECT TO GENERAL FILING RULES.—Sec-
- 23 tion 6081(b), as amended by subsection (a), is amended
- 24 by striking "6 months (7 months in the case of a C cor-
- 25 poration described in section 2(d)(2) of the Tax Return

Due Date Simplification and Modernization Act of 2011)" 2 and inserting "6 months". 3 (c) Conforming Amendments.— 4 (1) Section 6081(a) is amended by inserting "or C corporations that are described in section 5 6 2(d)(2) of the Tax Return Due Date Simplification 7 and Modernization Act of 2011" after "abroad". 8 (2) Section 6081(a), as amended by paragraph 9 (1) is amended by striking "or C corporations that 10 are described in section 2(d)(2) of the Tax Return 11 Due Date Simplification and Modernization Act of 12 2011" after "abroad". 13 (d) Effective Dates.— 14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The amendments made by 15 subsections (a) and (c)(1) shall apply to returns for 16 taxable years beginning after December 31, 2011. 17 (2) Uniform rule.—The amendments made 18 by subsections (b) and (c)(2) shall apply to returns 19 for taxable years beginning after December 31,

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