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SYNOPSIS

Allows deduction from tax of certain expenses when taxpayer's federal paycheck protection program loan is forgiven and excludes those forgiven loans from gross income tax.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Assembly Appropriations Committee on February 24, 2021, with amendments.



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AN ACT concerning the tax treatment of forgiven federal paycheck
 protection program loans.

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BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

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7 1. Notwithstanding N.J.S.54A:5-1, a loan, or portion thereof, 8 forgiven pursuant to section 1106 of the federal CARES Act, Pub.L.116-136, ¹or any subsequent expansion of the federal Paycheck 9 Protection Program, including the provision of second draw loans 10 pursuant to section 311 of Division N of the "Consolidated 11 Appropriations Act, 2021," Pub.L.116-260,¹ shall not be included in 12 13 the calculation of New Jersey gross income subject to tax under the 14 New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act.

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16 2. a. A taxpayer under the Corporation Business Tax Act (1945), 17 P.L.1945, c.162 (C.54:10A-1 et seq.) shall not be denied a deduction ¹for ordinary and necessary business expenses paid for with the 18 proceeds of a federal Paycheck Protection Program loan¹ by reason of 19 20 the exclusion from entire net income under P.L.1945, c.162 of ¹[a] 21 such¹ loan, or portion thereof, forgiven pursuant to section 1106 of the federal CARES Act, Pub.L.116-136 ¹ or any subsequent expansion of 22 23 the federal Paycheck Protection Program, including the provision of 24 second draw loans pursuant to section 311 of Division N of the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021," Pub.L.116-260¹. 25

b. A taxpayer under the ¹[New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act] 26 "New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act," N.J.S.54A:1-1 et seq.¹ shall not 27 be denied a deduction ¹ for ordinary and necessary business expenses 28 29 paid for with the proceeds of a federal Paycheck Protection Program loan¹ by reason of the exclusion from New Jersey gross income under 30 the New Jersey Gross Income Tax Act of ¹[a] <u>such</u>¹ loan, or portion 31 thereof, forgiven pursuant to section 1106 of the federal CARES Act, 32 Pub.L.116-136, ¹or any subsequent expansion of the federal 33 Paycheck Protection Program, including the provision of second 34 35 draw loans pursuant to section 311 of Division N of the "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021," Pub.L.116-260,1 or 36 37 pursuant to section 1 of this act.

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39 3. This act shall take effect immediately ¹and shall apply
40 retroactively to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2020¹.

Matter underlined <u>thus</u> is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹Assembly AAP committee amendments adopted February 24, 2021.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.