

Tax Matters Most Impacting Our Small Business & Individual Clients

Tax Volatility & Extenders

It is impossible to plan for, start and/or manage a business when taxpayers/business owners and practitioners must navigate an uncertain, ever-changing tax landscape. Moreover, increased taxes for business are ultimately born by individual taxpaying consumers via increased product and service costs. Thus, it is a myth to think that levying increased taxation and regulations on the business sector does not ultimately impact individual taxpayers. Moreover, doing so detracts from economic growth and leads to a vicious cycle of lower employment and ultimately to even less tax revenues. Hence the popular call for national sales tax by some.

It is widely known among certain economists, not to mention a mathematical principle, that applying a smaller tax rate to an ever increasing tax base yields higher revenue than trying to wring higher tax rates from a steadily depleting revenue base.

With that view in mind, we respectfully submit the following suggestions based upon feedback we have received from our existing small to mid-sized client base in the Pensacola, Tampa, Orlando and Fort Walton Beach, Florida markets we serve (and from clients in the surrounding states of Alabama, Georgia, and Mississippi):

- Make Permanent the Annual “Tax Extenders”
 - Section 41 Research & Experimentation Tax Credit
 - Section 179D EAct related Energy Deductions & Incentives
 - Section 179 Deduction at \$500,000
- Reduce Capital Gains tax rate back to 15%
- Reduce the Subchapter “C” corporate income tax rate to 15%
- Eliminate the Alternative Minimum Tax
- Increase competent staff at IRS, particularly during filing season
- Improvements to Form 8879 e-filing process & practitioner burden to file
- Tighten reporting timing for Form 1099-B by brokerage firms



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