

November 9, 2018

The Honorable Betsy DeVos Secretary of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20202

Re: Docket ID ED-2018-FSA-0065

Dear Secretary DeVos:

We appreciate the U.S. Department of Education ("Department") undertaking a data-matching program with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to ease the process for Total and Permanent Disability (TPD) discharge of loans made under Title IV of the Higher Education Act for eligible veterans. Now that this critical data-matching program has been implemented, we urge the Department to take the next essential step to provide relief to our nation's veterans by automatically discharging loans for eligible veterans and to proactively reach out to veterans who may be eligible but for whom there may be a minor discrepancy in the data match. As we approach Veterans' Day this year, taking such steps to ease the burden of student debt would be an excellent example of working to help our veterans with the same commitment and dedication that these individuals demonstrated in serving and sacrificing for their country.

#### Automatic loan discharge

The Department and VA have previously identified more than 42,000 severely disabled veterans holding over \$1 billion in student loans. Over 11,000 of these veterans have defaulted on their loans and are suffering significant economic consequences as a result. It would be unreasonable and unnecessary to require severely disabled veterans who are identified through the matching program to jump through additional hoops for loan discharges that they are entitled to receive.

Under the current program, VA provides the Department with data elements (name, date of birth, and Social Security number) for veterans who are receiving disability compensation benefits with a VA determination that they have a 100 percent disabling service-connected disability rating or that they are totally disabled based on an individual unemployability (IU) rating. The Department then determines which of these veterans have borrowed student loans under Title IV of the *Higher Education Act*, and notifies them of their potential eligibility for a discharge. Instead, we request that the Department automatically discharge these loans.

Previously, the Department expressed concern about a potential tax liability for the individual whose loan would be discharged as the reason for not implementing an automatic loan discharge. In response to a June 2018 hearing question on whether the Department was aware of any specific example of state tax liability, the Department responded in writing: "No. The Department has not reviewed each State's tax laws on this point." Additionally, the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 removed all federal tax liability for TPD discharges, and the attached review of state tax laws shows that most states that have an individual income tax have already conformed to federal

treatment of discharged student loan debt. The Department, therefore, can and should proceed to automatically discharge loans for severely disabled veterans.

At a minimum, the Department could allow a borrower whose loans will be automatically discharged a period of time to opt out of the TPD loan discharge, as "opt-out" processes have been proven to be much more beneficial to individuals experiencing financial distress than "opt-in" processes. Also, all communications should be made proactively accessible for borrowers with a visual impairment. We understand the Department only provides written notices to borrowers who receive a match under the TPD program, but many borrowers may have a severe visual or physical impairment that prevents them from effectively receiving and returning this paper form. If receiving help is only upon request (i.e. "opt-in") many veterans will be tragically left out of relief for no fault of their own.

Our goal should be to ease the burden for veterans eligible for TPD discharge. A process for automatic discharge would go a long way to achieving that goal, and help these veterans be able to focus on the other urgent health and financial needs they may have, instead of paying back federal student loans that should be discharged.

#### Reaching veterans where there is a discrepancy in the data match

We also urge the Department to develop a process for reviewing records where there is a minor discrepancy in the data match with VA and for proactively reaching out to individuals who may be eligible for TPD based on the partial data match. Common database errors such as a transposed number or letter, a missing hyphen in a name, or a change in name due to marriage could preclude a severely disabled veteran from benefitting from this data matching initiative. Furthermore, many of these data errors are not the veteran's fault, and may have occurred due to data errors that originated with a financial aid office, student loan servicer, or the Department itself. An individual who may be eligible for TPD discharge should not lose out in receiving debt relief because of an error in data entry or a minor discrepancy between VA records and Department records.

Veterans who have served our nation and are now unable to work because of a severe disability should not have to worry about student loan payments. We urge you to implement these reforms to automate and streamline the loan discharge process as quickly as possible. We request a response to our letter by November 30, 2018. Thank you for considering these recommendations.

#### Sincerely,

CC: The Honorable Robert Wilkie, Secretary, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Enclosure: State tax liability associated with loan discharge for severely-disabled veterans

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# Bloomberg Law State Tax - IRC Conformity § 108. Income from Discharge of Indebtedness

Alabama

Notes

discharges of indebtedness. Ala. Code § 40-18-1.1; Ala. Code § 40-18-33; Ala. Admin. Code r. 810-3-1.1-.01; Alabama Analysis of Federal Tax Law Revisions on the State of Alabama (July 30, 2018) (reviewing Alabama's conformity with changes made by Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act); IITN AL 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Alabama conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. certain discharges of indebtedness. Ala. Code § 40-18-14(3)(h); Ala. Admin. Code r. 810-3-14-.02(1)(i); Alabama Analysis of Federal Tax Law Revisions on the State of Alabama (July 30, 2018) (reviewing Alabama's conformity with changes made by Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act); CITN Yes, (corporate) Alabama conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

discharges of indebtedness. Alaska Stat. § 43.20.021(a); CITN AK 5.3.12. No, (individual) Alaska does not impose an individual income tax. Yes, (corporate) Alaska conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain

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Arizona

Alaska does not impose an individual income tax.

after Dec. 31, 2016 and through Dec. 31, 2017. However, Arizona has adopted all amendments made by the 2017 tax act that are retroactively effective for taxable years beginning from and Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108, by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Arizona has a static conformity date of Jan. 1, 2017, and requires legislation to adopt I.R.C. amendments enacted after the conformity date. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

Arizona does not conform to the federal treatment of income from discharge of indebtedness. While Arizona generally conforms to I.R.C. § 108, certain discharges of indebtedness. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 43-102(A)(2); Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 43-1121(7); CITN AZ 5.3.12. No, (individual) Arizona conforms to the Internal Revenue Code in effect on Jan. 1, 2017, and as a result does not conform to any provisions enacted by Pub. L. Yes, (corporate) Arizona generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from Ariz. S.B. 1293, effective Dec. 31, 2018; IITN AZ 3.3.12. I.R.C. § 108 No. 115-97. Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 43-102(A)(1); Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 43-1001(2); Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 43-1021(16), as renumbered by 2018

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## Arkansas

provisions enacted by Pub. L. No. 115-97. As a result of Arkansas' conformity date, the state does not conform to the provision that allowed an CITN AR 5.3.12. No, (individual) Arkansas does not conform to the federal treatment of income from discharge of indebtedness. While the state by 2017 H.B. 1390, effective for tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2015, changing the I.R.C. conformity date from Jan. 1, 2015 to Jan. 1, 2017; § 108, Arkansas conforms to I.R.C. 404(b)(10), as amended by 2017 H.B. 1390, effective for tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2015, changing the I.R.C. conformity date from exclusion from gross income for discharge of qualified principal residence indebtedness for the 2017 tax year. Ark. Code Ann. § 26-51generally conforms to I.R.C. § 108, Arkansas conforms to I.R.C. § 108 as in effect on Jan. 1, 2017, and as a result does not conform to any certain discharges of indebtedness. Arkansas conforms to I.R.C. § 108 as in effect on Jan. 1, 2017. Ark. Code Ann. § 26-51-404(b)(10), as amended the state generally conforms to I.R.C Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Yes, (corporate) Arkansas generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from an. 1, 2015 to Jan. 1, 2017; IITN AR 3.3.12. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

any provisions enacted by Pub. L. § 108 as in effect on Jan. 1, 2017, and as a result does not conform to discharge of indebtedness. While Arkansas does not conform to the federal treatment of income from No. 115-97.

## California

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Franch. Tax Bd., Summary of Federal Income Tax Changes 2017; HTN CA 3.3.12. I.R.C. § 108 S.B. 141, effective Jan. 1, 2018, but applicable for student loan discharges that occur on or after Jan. 1, 2015 and before Jan. 1, 2020; California Rev. & Tax. Code § 17134.1; Cal. Rev. & Tax. Code § 17144; Cal. Rev. &Tax. Code § 17144.5; Cal. Rev. &Tax. Code § 17144.7, as added by 2017 Cal 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) California conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness, except for specified modifications. Cal. Rev. & Tax. Code § 24307; Cal. Code Regs. tit. 18, § 24271(h); CITN CA Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. certain discharges of indebtedness. California provides provisions for the exclusion of student loan forgiveness and/or cancellation. Cal. Rev. & Yes, (corporate) California generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from Tax. Code § 17131; Cal. Rev. & Tax. Code § 17132.11, as amended by 2017 Cal. A.B. 461, effective Oct. 6, 2017; Cal. Rev. &Tax. Code §17134; Cal. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

but does not conform to the January 1, 2015, with modifications, as of the specified date of to the federal income tax rules student loans under IRC section 108 relating to the cancellation of the PITL (personal income tax law), From California Franchise Tax Board death or disability of the debtor student loan discharges due to the ederal-Tax-Changes/2017.pdf) (https://www.ftb.ca.gov/law/legis/F exclusion from gross income for California generally conforms, under

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specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. Colo. Rev. Stat. § 39-22-104(1.7); IITN discharges of indebtedness. Colo. Rev. Stat. § 39-22-304(1); CITN CO 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Colorado conforms to the federal treatment of Yes, (corporate) Colorado conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. CO 3.3.12. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue of Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

## Connecticut

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specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. Del. Code Ann. tit. 30, § 1105; IITN DE Yes, (corporate) Delaware conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. I.R.C. § 108 discharges of indebtedness. Del. Code Ann. tit. 30, § 1903(a); CITN DE 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Delaware conforms to the federal treatment of Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

District of Columbia Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after income from certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from I.R.C. § 108 business indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. D.C. Code Ann. § 47-1803.02(a)(2)(Z); IITN DC 3.3.12. business indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. D.C. Code Ann. § 47-1803.02(a)(2)(2); CITN DC 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) the District of Columbia generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from Yes, (corporate) the District of Columbia generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability.

## Florida

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indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Fla. Stat. § 220.13(1)(e)(3); CITN FL 5.3.12. No, (individual) Florida does not Yes, (corporate) Florida generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from impose an individual income tax certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business

> individual income tax. Florida does not impose an

## Georgia

of student loan forgiveness. Georgia conforms to the Internal Revenue Code in effect on Feb. 9, 2018, and as a result conforms to provisions effective March 2, 2018, and applicable to tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2017; Ga. Code Ann. § 48-7-27(a); IITN GA 3.3.12. certain discharges of indebtedness. With respect to I.R.C. § 108(i), Georgia does not conform to the federal treatment of the inclusion of has enacted 2018 Ga. H.B. 918, conforming to certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code existing on Feb. 9, 2018, with certain exceptions. indebtedness for the 2017 tax year. Ga. Code Ann. § 48-1-2(14), as amended by 2017 Ga. H.B. 283, and as amended by 2018 Ga. H.B. 918, the state does not conform to the provision that allowed an exclusion from gross income for discharge of qualified principal residence inclusion of business indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Additionally, as a result of Georgia's conformity date, enacted by Pub. L. No. 115-97, with certain exceptions. With respect to I.R.C.  $\S$  108(i), Georgia does not conform to the federal treatment of the treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the treatment Code Ann. § 48-7-21(a); Ga. Code Ann. § 48-7-21(b)(10.1)(D); CITN GA 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Georgia generally conforms to the federal on Feb. 9, 2018, and as a result conforms to provisions enacted by Pub. L. No. 115-97, with certain exceptions. Ga. Code Ann. § 48-1-2(14); Ga. business indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Georgia generally conforms to the Internal Revenue Code in effect Yes, (corporate) Georgia generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Georgia federal treatment of specifically Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

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## Hawaii

has a static conformity date, and has passed 2018 Haw. S.B. 2821 conforming to the version of the Internal Revenue Code in effect on Feb. 9, Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Hawaii Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of Yes, (corporate) Hawaii generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from for discharge of qualified principal residence indebtedness for the 2017 tax year. Haw. Rev. Stat. § 235-2.4(e); IITN HI 3.3.12. indebtedness. As a result of Hawaii's conformity date, the state does not conform to the provision that allowed an exclusion from gross income indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Haw. Rev. Stat. § 235-2.4(e); CITN HI 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Hawaii certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business

#### Idaho

has a static conformity date, and has passed 2018 Idaho H. 624, conforming to the version of the I.R.C. existing on Jan. 1, 2018, with certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Idaho Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

1, 2018, and as a result conforms to provisions enacted by Pub. L. No. 115-97. Idaho Code § 63-3004, as amended by 2018 Idaho H. 463, effective Idaho generally conforms to the federal treatment of discharge of indebtedness. Idaho conforms to the Internal Revenue Code in effect on Jan. Jan. 1, 2018, and as amended by 2018 Idaho H. 624, effective retroactive to Jan. 1, 2018; Idaho Code § 63-3011B; CITN ID 5.3.12. Yes, (individual result conforms to provisions enacted by Pub. L. No. 115-97. Idaho Code § 63-3004, as amended by 2018 Idaho H. 463, effective retroactively to discharges of indebtedness. For the purposes of I.R.C. § 108, Idaho conforms to the Internal Revenue Code in effect on Feb. 9, 2018, and as a Yes, (corporate) Idaho conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain retroactively to Jan. 1, 2018; Idaho Code § 63-3011A; Idaho Code § 63-3011B; IITN ID 3.3.12.

Illinois

discharges of indebtedness. 35 ILCS 5/203(a)(1); IITN IL 3.3.12. Yes, (corporate) Illinois conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income certain discharges of indebtedness. 35 ILCS 5/203(b)(1); CITN IL 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Illinois conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

## Indiana

has a static conformity date, and has passed 2018 Ind. H.B. 1316 conforming to the version of the I.R.C. in effect on Feb. 11, 2018, with certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Indiana Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

renumbered by 2018 Ind. H.B. 1316, effective retroactively on Jan. 1, 2018; IITN IN 3.3.12. 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Indiana generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business from certain discharges of indebtedness. Ind. Code Ann. § 6-3-1-8; Ind. Code Ann. § 6-3-1-11(c)(1); Ind. Code Ann. § 6-3-1-3.5(a)(21), as renumbered by 2018 Ind. H.B. 1316, effective retroactively on Jan. 1, 2018; Ind. Code Ann. § 6-3-1-8; Ind. Code Ann. § 6-3-1-11(c)(2); CITN IN indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Ind. Code Ann. § 6-3-1-3.5(b); Ind. Code Ann. § 6-3-1-3.5(b)(11), as Yes, (corporate) Indiana generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from

#### lowa

has a static conformity date, and has passed 2018 lowa S.F. 2417 conforming, for tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2019, to amendments made by Pub. L. 115-97. Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Iowa Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

as in effect on Jan. 1, 2015, and as a result does not conform to any provisions enacted by Pub. L. 115-97. lowa Code Ann. § 422.5(7); lowa Code Ann. § 422.7(16); IITN IA 3.3.12. to federal treatment of discharge of indebtedness. While lowa generally conforms to I.R.C. § 108, lowa conforms to the Internal Revenue Code certain discharges of indebtedness. Iowa Code Ann. § 422.3(5); Iowa Code Ann. § 422.35; CITN IA 5.3.12. No (individual), Iowa does not conform Yes, (corporate) lowa generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from

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## Kansas

Yes, (corporate) Kansas conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. Kan. Stat. Ann. § 79-32,117(a); IITN KS discharges of indebtedness. Kan. Stat. Ann. § 79-32,138(a); CITN KS 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Kansas conforms to the federal treatment of Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

## Kentucky

Stat. Ann. § 141.010(9), as repealed by 2018 Ky. H.B. 487, effective April 27, 2018; IITN KY 3.3.12 2018 Ky. H.B. 487, effective April 27, 2018; Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 141.010(3), as repealed by 2018 Ky. H.B. 487, effective April 27, 2018; Ky. Rev. H.B. 487, effective April 27, 2018; CITN KY 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Kentucky generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding Rev. Stat. Ann. § 141.010(3), as repealed by 2018 Ky. H.B. 487, effective April 27, 2018; Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 141.010(9), as repealed by 2018 Ky. certain discharges of indebtedness. Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 141.010(1), (12), and (14), as added by 2018 Ky. H.B. 487, effective April 27, 2018; Ky Yes, (corporate) Kentucky generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 141.010(1), (12), and (14), as added by Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

## Louisiana

discharges of indebtedness. La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 47:53.2(1)(b); La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 47:290; La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 47:293(1); IITN LA 3.3.12. discharges of indebtedness. La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 47:53.2(1)(a); La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 47:287.65; La. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 47:287.701(A); CITN LA 5.3.12. Yes, (corporate) Louisiana conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. I.R.C. § 108 Yes, (individual) Louisiana conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

### Maine

conforms to the provisions enacted by Pub. L. No. 115-97, with certain exceptions. Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 36-5102(1-C); Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 36 § 5121; Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 36, § 5122(1)(CC); Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 36, § 5122(2)(DD); IITN ME 3.3.12. A(2)(U); CITN ME 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Maine conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of provisions enacted by Pub. L. No. 115-97, with certain exceptions. Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 36, § 5200-A(1)(W); Me. Rev. Stat. Ann. tit. 36, § 5200-Yes, (corporate) Maine conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Maine has passed 2018 Me. S.P. 612, conforming to the version of the Internal Revenue Code in existence on March 23, 2018. Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. income from certain discharges of indebtedness. Maine conforms to the Internal Revenue Code in effect on March 23, 2018, and as a result discharges of indebtedness. Maine conforms to the Internal Revenue Code in effect on March 23, 2018, and as a result conforms to the Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

## Maryland

arising from business indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Maryland also provides a subtraction for income be due to total and permanent disability does not apply. Md. Code Ann., Tax-Gen. § 10-207, as amended by 2017 Md. H.B. 83, effective July 1, 310; CITN MD 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Maryland generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the Yes, (corporate) Maryland generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Md. Code Ann., Tax-Gen. § 10-210.1(b)(4); Md. Code Ann., Tax-Gen. § 10 certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. 2017; Md. Code Ann., Tax-Gen. § 10-210.1(b)(4); Md. Code Ann., Tax-Gen. § 10-310; IITN MD 3.3.12. resulting from the discharge of student loan indebtedness. For tax years beginning after Dec. 31, 2016, the requirement that the discharge must Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

# Massachusetts

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conformity date, they do not conform to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business does not conform to the federal treatment of income from discharge of indebtedness. While Massachusetts generally conforms to the federal Mass. Gen. L. ch. 62, § 2(a); IITN MA 3.3.12. treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness, as a result of the state's indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Mass. Gen. L. ch. 63, § 30(3); CITN MA 5.3.12. No, (individual) Massachusetts indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument and the exclusion of student loan discharges. Mass. Gen. L. ch. 62, § 1(c); from certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business Yes, (corporate) Massachusetts generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

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Michigan

Massachusetts does not conform to the federal treatment of income from discharge of indebtedness. While Massachusetts generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness, as a result of the state's conformity date, they do not conform to the federal...exclusion of student loan discharges.

# discharges of indebtedness. Mich. Comp. Laws § 206.603(3); Mich. Comp. Laws § 206.623(2); CITN MI 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Michigan conforms Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Comp. Laws § 206.12(2); Mich. Comp. Laws § 206.30(1); IITN MI 3.3.12. to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. Mich. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after Yes, (corporate) Michigan conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain

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## Minnesota

provides a subtraction modification for qualified education loans discharged as a result of the completion of an income-driven repayment added by 2017 Minn. H.F. 1, effective for taxable years beginning after Dec. 31, 2016; IITN MN 3.3.12. for discharge of qualified principal residence indebtedness for the 2017 tax year. Minn. Stat. § 290.0132(17); Minn. Stat. § 290.0132(24), as program. As a result of Minnesota's conformity date, the state does not conform to the provision that allowed an exclusion from gross income not conform to federal treatment of discharge of indebtedness. While Minnesota generally conforms to I.R.C. § 108, Minnesota conforms to the indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Minn. Stat. § 290.0134(15); CITN MN 5.3.12. No, (individual) Minnesota does certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Internal Revenue Code as in effect on Dec. 31, 2016, and as a result does not conform to any provisions enacted by Pub. L. 115-97. Minnesota Yes, (corporate) Minnesota generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

> 31, 2016, and as a result does not Revenue Code as in effect on Dec. Minnesota conforms to the Internal indebtedness. While Minnesota by Pub. L. 115-97. Minnesota does not conform to conform to any provisions enacted generally conforms to I.R.C. § 108, federal treatment of discharge of

## Mississippi

§ 27-7-17(1)(e); IITN MS 3.3.12. does not conform to any provisions enacted by Pub. L. No. 115-97. Miss. Code Ann. § 27-7-13; Miss. Code Ann. § 27-7-15(1); Miss. Code Ann. § 27-7-17(1)(e); CITN MS 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Mississippi generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross Revenue Code generally;however, the Internal Revenue Code is incorporated by reference throughout the Mississippi tax code, and as a result income arising from business indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Mississippi does not conform to the Internal income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Miss. Code Ann. § 27-7-13; Miss. Code Ann. § 27-7-15(1); Miss. Code Ann. certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business Yes, (corporate) Mississippi generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

> conform to any provisions enacted generally;however, the Internal reference throughout the Mississipp Mississippi does not conform to the by Pub. L. No. 115-97. tax code, and as a result does not Internal Revenue Code Revenue Code is incorporated by

Missouri

specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. Mo. Rev. Stat. § 143.121(1); IITN MO discharges of indebtedness. Mo. Rev. Stat. § 143.431(1); CITN MO 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Missouri conforms to the federal treatment of Yes, (corporate) Missouri conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

## I.R.C. § 108

Montana

specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. Mont. Code Ann. § 15-30-2101(10); Yes, (corporate) Montana conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. discharges of indebtedness. Mont. Code Ann. § 15-31-113(1); CITN MT 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Montana conforms to the federal treatment of IITN MT 3.3.12 Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

## Nebraska

discharges of indebtedness. Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-2714; Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-2716(1); CITN NE 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Nebraska conforms to the § 77-2714.01(1); IITN NE 3.3.12. Yes, (corporate) Nebraska conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. Neb. Rev. Stat. Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

## Nevada

I.R.C. § 108

I.R.C. § 108 No, Nevada does not impose an individual or corporate income tax

individual or corporate income tax. No, Nevada does not impose an

# New Hampshire

Yes, (corporate) New Hampshire generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income Dec. 31, 2016. N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 77-A:1(III)(a); N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 77-A:1(XX)(I); CITN NH 5.3.12. No, (individual) New Hampshire does not New Hampshire only imposes an individual income tax on interest and dividends. N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 77:3; N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 77:4; IITN NH Hampshire only imposes an conform to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. New Hampshire does not conform to federal amendments in effect after from certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business

amount of income from certain the federal treatment of specifically New Hampshire does not conform to discharges of indebtedness. New excluding from gross income the dividends. individual income tax on interest and

certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business Rev. Stat. § 54A:5-1; Weintraub v. Director, Div. of Taxn., 19 N.J. Super. 6 (N.J. Super. Ct. App. Div. 2000); IITN NJ 3.3.12. indebtedness because New Jersey bases gross income on the state tax code which does not include income from discharge of indebtedness. N.J does not conform to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. N.J. Rev. Stat. § 54:10A-4(k)(14); CITN NJ 5.3.12. No, (individual) New Jersey Yes, (corporate) New Jersey generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

**New Jersey** 

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## New Mexico

specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. N.M. Stat. Ann. § 7-2-2(A); IITN NM discharges of indebtedness. N.M. Stat. Ann. § 7-2A-2(C); CITN NM 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) New Mexico conforms to the federal treatment of Yes, (corporate) New Mexico conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

## New York

excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. N.Y. Tax Law § 612(a); IITN NY 3.3.12 discharges of indebtedness. N.Y. Tax Law § 208(9); CITN NY 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) New York conforms to the federal treatment of specifically Yes, (corporate) New York conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

# North Carolina

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 105-134.6(b)(20); N.C. Gen. Stat. § 105-153.3(6); N.C. Gen. Stat. § 105-153.4(a); N.C. Gen. Stat. § 105-153.5(c2); IITN NC 3.3.12. principal residence indebtedness to be added back to the taxpayer's federal adjusted gross income in computing North Carolina taxable income discharges of indebtedness. However, North Carolina requires the amount excluded from gross income related to the discharge of qualified by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. N.C. Gen. Stat. § 105-130.5(a)(21); N.C. Gen. Stat. § 105-130.5(b)(25); CITN NC 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) from certain discharges of indebtedness, except for the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business indebtedness discharged Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. North North Carolina generally conform to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Yes, (corporate) North Carolina generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income Carolina has a static conformity date, and has passed 2018 N.C. S. 99 conforming to many of the amended provisions Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

# North Dakota

N.D. Cent. Code § 57-38-01(13); N.D. Cent. Code § 57-38-01.1; N.D. Cent. Code § 57-38-30.3(2); IITN ND 3.3.12. discharges of indebtedness. N.D. Cent. Code § 57-38-01(13); N.D. Cent. Code § 57-38-01.3(1); CITN ND 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) North Dakota conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness Yes, (corporate) North Dakota conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

#### Ohio

discharges of indebtedness. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 5747.01(A); IITN OH 3.3.12. discharges of indebtedness. Ohio imposes a commercial activities tax on gross receipts. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 5751.01(F); CITN OH 5.3.12. Yes, has a static conformity date, and has passed 2018 Ohio S.B. 22, conforming to most of the individual provisions of Pub. L. 115-97 No, (corporate) Ohio does not conform to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Ohio (individual) Ohio generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

## Oklahoma

discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 68, § 2358(A)(10); IITN OK 3.3.12. discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business indebtedness Oklahoma generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Yes, (corporate) Oklahoma generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. Okla. Stat. Ann. tit. 68, § 2358(A)(10); CITN OK 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) certain discharges of indebtedness, except to the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

## Oregon

§ 108(b)(5). Or. Rev. Stat. § 314.306, as amended by 2017 Or. S.B. 29, effective the 91st day after the adjournment of the legislature; Or. Rev. 91st day after the adjournment of the legislature; Or. Rev. Stat. § 316.739; IITN OR 3.3.12. modifications related to the election available under I.R.C. § 108(b)(5). Or. Rev. Stat. § 314.306, as amended by 2017 Or. S.B. 29, effective the Stat. § 317.301(1); Or. Rev. Stat. § 318.031; CITN OR 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Oregon generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically Yes, (corporate) Oregon generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Oregon excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. However, Oregon provides for state specific certain discharges of indebtedness. However, Oregon provides for state specific modifications related to the election available under I.R.C. has a static conformity date of Dec. 31, 2017, but has a rolling reconnect for provisions related to taxable income. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

# Pennsylvania

certain cancellation of debt from income. 61 Pa. Code § 101.6(I)(8); Pa. Dept. of Rev., Pennsylvania Personal Income Tax Guide, ch. 24; IITN PA discharges of indebtedness. 72 Pa. Stat. § 7401(3); CITN PA 5.3.12. No, (individual) Pennsylvania does not conform to the federal rules related to indebtedness Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. income from certain discharges of indebtedness. However, Pennsylvania has cancellation of debt rules similar to the federal rules that exclude Yes, (corporate) Pennsylvania conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain I.R.C. § 108 Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after from certain discharges of Pennsylvania does not conform to the federal rules related to income

## Rhode Island

§ 44-66-1; IITN RI 3.3.12 indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. R.I. Gen. Laws § 44-30-2.6(a); R.I. Gen. Laws § 44-30-12(a); R.I. Gen. Laws certain discharges of indebtedness, except the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business from certain discharges of indebtedness, except the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. R.I. Gen. Laws § 44-11-11(a)(1); R.I. Gen. Laws § 44-66-1; CITN RI 5.3.12. Yes, Yes, (corporate) Rhode Island generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income (individual) Rhode Island generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

# South Carolina

South Carolina conforms to the Internal Revenue Code, as amended and in effect on Feb. 9, 2018. S.C. Code Ann. § 12-6-40(A), as amended by Yes, (corporate) South Carolina generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Ann. § 12-6-1110(A); IITN SC 3.3.12. 2018 S.C. H.B. 5341, effective Oct. 3, 2018 and applicable to taxable years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2018; S.C. Code Ann. § 12-6-560; S.C. Code Yes, (individual) South Carolina conforms to the federal treatment of discharge of indebtedness. For tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2018, indebtedness discharged by the reacquisition of a debt instrument. S.C. Code Ann. § 12-6-50(5A); S.C. Code Ann. § 12-6-1110(A); CITN SC 5.3.12 from certain discharges of indebtedness, except the federal treatment of the deferral and ratable inclusion of income arising from business Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

South Dakota

I.R.C. § 108 No, South Dakota does not impose an individual or corporate income tax

Tennessee

discharges of indebtedness. Note: an addition modification for certain discharges of indebtedness is required in computing net loss carryovers. imposes an individual income tax on interest and dividends. Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-2-102; IITN TN 3.3.12. federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. Tennessee only Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-4-2006(a); Tenn. Code Ann. § 67-4-2006(c)(8)(A); CITN TN 5.3.12. No, (individual) Tennessee does not conform to the Yes, (corporate) Tennessee conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain I.R.C. § 108

dividends.

individual income tax on interest and Tennessee only imposes an

individual or corporate income tax. South Dakota does not impose an

Texas

and 2010. Tex. Tax Code Ann. § 171.0001(9); Tex. Tax Code Ann. § 171.1011(c); Tex. Tax Code Ann. § 171.1011(m); CITN TX 5.3.12. No, elect to defer recognition of discharge of indebtedness income arising in connection with the reacquisition of certain debt instruments in 2009 Yes, (corporate) Texas generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. certain discharges of indebtedness as in effect on Jan. 1, 2007. As a result, Texas does not conform to I.R.C. § 108(i), which permits a taxpayer to (individual) Texas does not impose an individual income tax. Editors'Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

Utah

discharges of indebtedness. Utah Code Ann. § 59-7-101(29); CITN UT 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Utah conforms to the federal treatment of Yes, (corporate) Utah conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. Utah Code Ann. § 59-10-103(1)(a); IITN Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

I.R.C. § 108

Texas does not impose an individual income tax.

Vermont

§ 5811(21); Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 32, § 5823; Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 32, § 5824, as amended by 2018 Vt. H. 16, effective Jan. 1, 2018 and retroactively treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 32, discharges of indebtedness. Vt. Stat. Ann. tit. 32, § 5811(18); CITN VT 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) Vermont generally conforms to the federal Vermont has a static conformity date, and has passed 2018 Vt. H. 16 conforming to many of the amended provisions Yes, (corporate) Vermont conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

applicable to tax years beginning Jan. 1, 2017; IITN VT 3.3.12.

has enacted 2018 Va. H.B. 154 and 2018 Va. S.B. 230, conforming to the version of the Internal Revenue Code existing on Feb. 9, 2018, but decoupling from most provisions effective in 2018 and after. Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. Virginia federal treatment of income from Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after Virginia does not conform to the certain discharges of indebtedness. While Virginia generally conforms

decoupled from most of the provisions enacted by Pub. L. 115-97. Va. Code Ann. § 58.1-301(B)(4); Va. Code Ann. § 58.1-322; Virginia Tax Bulletin indebtedness. While Virginia generally conforms tol.R.C. § 108, Virginia conforms to the Internal Revenue Code in effect on Feb. 9, 2018, but has by Pub. L. 115-97. with a reacquisition of business debt at a discount. Va. Code Ann. § 58.1-301(B)(4); Va. Code Ann. § 58.1-402(A); Virginia Tax Bulletin VTB 18-1 certain discharges of indebtedness, except the state disallows the exclusion related to income from the discharge of indebtedness in connection the Internal Revenue Code in effect Yes, (corporate) Virginia generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from VTB 18-1 (Feb. 26, 2018); IITN VA 3.3.12. (Feb. 26, 2018); CITN VA 5.3.12. No, (individual) Virginia does not conform to the federal treatment of income from certain discharges of

on Feb. 9, 2018, but has decoupled

from most of the provisions enacted

tol.R.C. § 108, Virginia conforms to

## Washington

West Virginia

No, Washington does not impose an individual or corporate income tax

Washington does not impose an individual or corporate income tax.

Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability. West effect on Dec. 31, 2017 Virginia has a static conformity date, and has passed 2018 W.Va. H.B. 4135 and 2018 W.Va. H.B. 4146 conforming to the version of the I.R.C. in Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after

discharges of indebtedness. W. Va. Code § 11-24-6(a); CITN WV 5.3.12. Yes, (individual) West Virginia generally conforms to the federal effective Feb. 9, 2018; W. Va. Code § 11-21-12(a); IITN WV 3.3.12. discharge of qualified principal residence indebtedness for the 2017 tax year. W. Va. Code § 11-21-9(a), as amended by 2018 W.Va. H.B. 4146, a result of West Virginia's conformity date, the state does not conform to the provision that allowed an exclusion from gross income for treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain discharges of indebtedness. West Virginia conforms to Yes, (corporate) West Virginia conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain the Internal Revenue Code as amended, and in effect on Dec. 31, 2017, and as a result conforms to the provisions enacted by Pub. L. 115-97. As

Wisconsin	Editors' Note: Pub. L. 115-97, the 2017 tax act, dramatically altered the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. For discharges of indebtedness after
	Dec. 31, 2017, the act amends I.R.C. § 108 by creating I.R.C. § 108(f) related to discharges of student loan debt due to death or disability.
	Wisconsin has a static conformity date, and has passed 2018 Wis. A.B. 259 conforming to the version of the I.R.C. in effect on Dec. 31, 2017.
	Yes, (corporate) Wisconsin generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from
	certain discharges of indebtedness, but the state requires a modification related to the reduction of tax attributes. Wisconsin conforms to the
	Internal Revenue Code in effect on Dec. 31, 2017, and as a result conforms to provisions enacted by Pub. L. 115-97. Wis. Stat. § 71.22(4)(j)); Wis.
	Stat. § 71.26(3)(c); Wis. Stat. § 71.22(4m)(L), as amended by 2018 Wis. A.B. 259, effective April 5, 2018; CITN WI 5.3.12. Yes, (individual)
	Wisconsin generally conforms to the federal treatment of specifically excluding from gross income the amount of income from certain
	discharges of indebtedness. Wisconsin conforms to the Internal Revenue Code in effect on Dec. 31, 2017, and as a result conforms to provisions
	enacted by Pub. L. 115-97. As a result of Wisconsin's conformity date, the state does not conform to the provision that allowed an exclusion
	from gross income for discharge of qualified principal residence indebtedness for the 2017 tax year. Wis. Stat. § 71.01(4); Wis. Stat.
	§ 71.01(6)(L), as amended by 2018 Wis. A.B. 259, effective April 5, 2018; Wis. Stat. § 71.01(13); IITN WI 3.3.12.

No, Wyoming does not impose an individual or corporate income tax. I.R.C. § 108

Wyoming

I.R.C. § 108

Wyoming does not impose an individual or corporate income tax.