

## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Income Tax

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## **Guidance on Pass-Through Entity Election**

House Bill 1691 of the 2022 Legislative Session was signed into law on April 14, 2022. This bill established an act to allow any partnership, S corporation or similar pass-through entity to elect to be taxed as an "electing pass-through entity" for state income tax purposes and to pay income tax at the entity level. Each owner, member, partner or shareholder of an electing pass-through entity shall report their pro rata or distributive share of the income from the electing pass-through entity and shall be allowed a credit against income taxes in an amount equal to his or her pro rata or distributive share of income tax paid by the electing pass-through entity for the corresponding taxable year. This bill is effective from and after January 1, 2022.

#### **Eligibility for the Pass-Through Entity Election**

For calendar year 2022 and each calendar year thereafter, any partnership, S corporation or similar pass-through entity desiring to be taxed as an electing pass-through entity must have a vote by or written consent of the members of the governing body of the entity, as well as a vote by or written consent of the owners, members, partners or shareholders holding greater than fifty percent (50%) of the voting control of the entity in order to make the election. Fiduciaries are not eligible to make a pass-through entity election.

### Making or Revoking the Pass-Through Entity Election

Both the election to become an electing pass-through entity ("electing PTE") and the revocation of that election is made by submitting the Pass-Through Entity Election Form, form 84-381, to the Department of Revenue on or before the fifteenth day of the third month following the close of the taxable year for which the entity elects to be taxed as an electing pass-through entity, or for which the entity elects to no longer be taxed as an electing pass-through entity. The election shall be binding for the taxable year and all subsequent taxable years unless the election is revoked by the electing pass-through entity. Both the election and revocation of the election shall be accomplished by vote or written consent as mentioned in the "Eligibility for Pass-Through Entity Election" section above.

#### Filing an Electing Pass-Through Entity Return

An electing PTE will file the Pass-Through Entity Tax Return, form 84-105, and check the "Electing Pass-Through Entity" check box in order to be taxed at the entity level. A copy of the Pass-Through Entity Election Form, form 84-381, should also be attached to the return. The Mississippi Schedule K-1s, form 84-132, for each owner, member, partner or shareholder of the electing PTE are also required to be attached to the return. The K-1s should have the "Electing Pass-Through Entity" check box checked with the amount of tax paid by the electing PTE for each partner provided on the K-1s. The amount of tax credit paid by the electing PTE is calculated using the corporate tax rates. The Pass-Through Entity Tax Return is due on or before the fifteenth day of the third month following the close of the taxable year.



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#### **Estimated Tax Payments**

Electing PTEs that have an annual income tax liability in excess of \$200 will be required to make estimated tax payments. Estimates are due on or before the fifteenth day of the fourth month, sixth month, ninth month and twelfth month of the income year. Payments should be submitted using the Pass-Through Entity Income Tax Voucher, form 84-300. Estimated tax payments must not be less than ninety percent (90%) of the annual income tax liability. Any taxpayer that fails to file a return and pay the tax by the due date of the return or that underestimates the required amount shall be liable for a penalty of ten percent (10%) plus interest of one half of one percent (½ of 1%) per month on underpayment of tax from the payment due date until paid or until the next payment due date, whichever is earlier. Any electing PTE that receives a penalty notice for underestimate on their 2022 first and second guarter estimated payments should contact our office to receive abatement.

#### **Composite Returns**

A pass-through entity can elect to file the Pass-Through Entity Tax Return as an electing PTE or as a composite pass-through entity. An entity cannot file as both. Composite returns can only be filed on behalf of non-resident partners with no other activity in Mississippi other than that from the pass-through entity. Once an entity begins to file a composite return, it must continue to file in that manner unless permission to change has been granted by the Department or until an election to file as an electing PTE has been made.

## Credit for Taxes Paid on the Electing Pass-Through Entity Return

Each owner, member, partner or shareholder of an electing PTE shall report their pro rata or distributive share of the income of the electing PTE on their separate income tax returns. The amount of credit for taxes paid on the electing PTE will be calculated by the entity and provided to the partner on the Mississippi K-1. A copy of the K-1(s) received from the electing PTE must be attached to the partner's separate return. The amount of credit allowed will be limited to the partner's income tax due and any excess credit cannot be refunded or carried forward.

### Individuals

Individuals will be allowed to take a tax credit for taxes paid to other states and/or the tax credit for taxes paid on the electing PTE return. Mississippi residents that are required to report income from other states to Mississippi will be allowed a tax credit for taxes paid to other states by filing the Tax Credit for Income Tax Paid to One Or More Other States, form 80-160, with a copy of the other state's tax return(s) and/or K-1(s) attached to the Mississippi Individual Income Tax Return. For those states where the owners do not file a return, documentation of the amount of tax paid to another state on the taxpayer's behalf by another entity, such as a K-1, must be attached to the Mississippi return.



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For the credit for taxes paid on the electing PTE return, a copy of the K-1(s) received from the electing PTE must be attached to the partner's return with the Tax Credit for Income Tax Paid by Electing Pass-Through Entity, form 80-161.

#### Businesses

Partnerships, S corporations or similar pass-through entities that are owners, members, partners or shareholders of an electing PTE can also take a tax credit for taxes paid on the electing PTE return on their separate Mississippi Pass-Through Entity Tax Returns, form 84-105. A copy of the K-1(s) received from the electing PTE must be attached to the partner's separate Pass-Through Entity Tax Return.

#### **Fiduciaries**

Fiduciaries are not eligible to make a pass-through entity election. However, a fiduciary that is an owner, member, partner or shareholder of an electing PTE is allowed to take a tax credit in an amount equal to the pro rata or distributive share of income tax paid by the electing PTE for the corresponding taxable year. A copy of the K-1(s) received from the electing PTE should be attached to the fiduciary return.