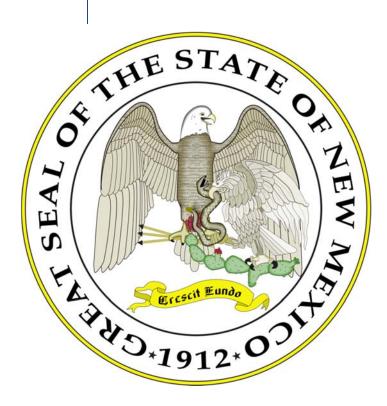
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SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

The Tax Expenditure Report is an example of good government. As with any use of public funds, tax expenditures should be periodically reviewed to insure they are achieving intended consequences at a minimum cost to the public. In 2011, New Mexico Governor Susana Martinez' Executive Order 2011-071 directed the Taxation and Revenue Department (TRD), with assistance from other executive branch agencies, to prepare an annual Tax Expenditure Report. The report serves two good government purposes: (1) it creates transparency to the public, and (2) it creates an effective tool for policy makers to make better informed decisions about tax incentives.

TRD is fortunate to have a team of talented economists, who have dedicated an untold number of hours combing through the statutes, collecting and collating data, and analyzing the impacts of the deviations from the New Mexico tax programs. The noted group include: Deputy Secretary Brendan Hansen, Hector Dorbecker, James Girard, James Kaminsky and Lucinda Sydow. An undertaking of this magnitude would not be possible without them. Nor would it be possible without the cooperation of the many executive branch agencies who play a role in administering many of the tax credits New Mexico uses to incentivize beneficial economic activity. We remain grateful for their assistance.

Acting Secretary John Monforte Taxation and Revenue Department State of New Mexico

BRIEF SUMMARY OF NEW MEXICO'S MAJOR TAXES

PERSONAL INCOME TAX

Because it is based on a federal tax program, New Mexico's personal income tax ("PIT") 1 is relatively simple for the taxpayer to comply with and for the State to administer.

The PIT rates for Tax Years 2008 through 2016² are:

Married Filing Separately	Head of Household, Surviving Spouses, and Married Filing Jointly	Individuals, Estates, and Trusts	Rate
Up to \$4,000	Up to \$8,000	Up to \$5,500	1.7%
Over \$4,000 to \$8,000	Over \$8,000 to \$16,000	Over \$5,500 to \$11,000	3.2%
Over \$8,000 to \$12,000	Over \$16,000 to \$24,000	Over \$11,000 to \$16,000	4.7%
Over \$12,000	Over \$24,000	Over \$16,000	4.9%

PIT also shares many base definition issues with the federal income tax program. For example, New Mexico follows the federal practice of allowing the exclusion of a certain amount of income from taxation through the personal exemption and the standard deduction. Note that, because these policies are common practice among the states and because they are part and parcel of defining the New Mexico tax base, they are not treated as tax expenditures in this report. Similarly, there are numerous tax expenditures under federal tax law on which the State "piggybacks" because New Mexico taxable income is based on federal adjusted gross income. Because such piggybacking is a common practice among most states, the state tax effects of these federal tax expenditures are not reported as tax expenditures in this report.

CORPORATE INCOME TAX

New Mexico's corporate income tax ("CIT") is also based on the federal corporate income tax with the same corresponding administrative benefits for taxpayers and the State in its administration.

Section 7-2A-2(C) NMSA 1978 defines "base income" as that part of the taxpayer's taxable income upon which the federal income tax is calculated, excluding the amount of the net operating loss carryover deduction and including interest received on state or local bonds³. The statute then defines "net income" as base income adjusted by exclusions of income from the obligations of the federal government, other income where tax is prohibited by explicit statutory or constitutional authority, and statutory provisions for net operating loss carryover deductions⁴.

Thus, "net income" is defined as the tax base for CIT purposes in New Mexico, and, by application of the income-graduated percentage tax rate, "baseline tax revenue" is defined.

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¹ For reference, a list of commonly used acronyms is provided in Appendix C.

² PIT and CIT data from tax year 2014 is the most complete dataset available at the time of publication of this report. The current PIT rates have been in effect since 2008.

³ Section 7-2A-2(C) NMSA 1978

⁴ Section 7-2A-2(H) NMSA 1978

The following table shows the CIT rates from 1987 through full implementation of HB641 (2013) in 2018:

	1987-	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
	2013					
Up to \$500,000	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%
\$500,000.01 to \$1,000,000	6.4%	6.4%	6.4%	6.4%	6.20/	E 00/
Over \$1,000,000	7.6%	7.3%	6.9%	6.6%	6.2%	5.9%

The 2013 Legislative Session produced two additional CIT changes, including mandatory combined reporting for certain retailers and single-sales factor apportionment election for manufacturers. The 2015 Legislative Session added the single-sales factor apportionment election for headquarters.

GROSS RECEIPTS TAX

In New Mexico, a state tax of 5.125% and local option taxes are imposed on gross receipts received from certain transactions. "Gross receipts" is the total amount of money or other consideration generated "from selling property in New Mexico, from leasing or licensing property employed in New Mexico, from granting a right to use a franchise employed in New Mexico, from selling services performed outside of New Mexico, the product of which is initially used in New Mexico, or from performing services in New Mexico"5. This is a far more comprehensive tax base than the typical retail sales tax imposed by most states. It is also more comprehensive than a value added tax base, a commonly suggested alternative for consumption taxation. Because of this broad base definition, many of the exemptions and deductions in the GRT program are necessary to prevent multiple taxation of transactions and the associated economic distortion that would cause. Examples include the exemption for wages, dividends, and interest, all of which are taxed under the income tax. Also exempt are various transactions which are taxed under separate excise taxes, including motor fuels, motor vehicles, etc.

Another set of deductions and exemptions in the GRT program is designed to reduce the incidence of "tax pyramiding." Tax pyramiding refers to the imposition of tax on business purchases. Because the final sales by businesses are typically subject to GRT, imposing the GRT on their purchases creates an additional layer of taxation. This practice creates economic distortion because, for example, small businesses must purchase more of the goods and services they need from outside companies than do large businesses; the GRT on those inputs creates a discriminatory burden on them. Deductions, like the deduction for the sale of goods for re-sale, reduce this burden and ensure that the tax policy principles of Horizontal Equity and Efficiency are met. Therefore, they are not treated as tax expenditures.

While not directly related to determining whether a particular exemption, deduction, or credit is a tax expenditure, the question about the municipal share of the GRT comes up quite frequently because it plays a role in the fiscal impact of tax expenditures. Pursuant to Section 7-1-6.4 NMSA 1978, the State gives each municipality approximately 24% (1.225% divided by 5.125%) of the GRT revenue from the State rate that is generated from activity taking place in that municipality. To

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⁵ Section 7-9-3.5(A)(1) NMSA 1978

think of it another way: for taxable activity taking place within a municipality, the State's effective rate becomes 3.9% while the effective rate for each municipality is increased by 1.225%.

COMPENSATING TAX

In New Mexico, a compensating tax is imposed at a rate of 5.125% on the use of tangible property and 5% on certain services used in New Mexico. This tax is New Mexico's version of a "use" tax. Unlike the GRT, the legal incident of the compensating tax is on the purchaser, but the collection obligation for the compensating tax may transfer to the seller if the seller is not subject to GRT and can be required to fulfill this collection obligation under the U.S. Constitution. Typically, the compensating tax is imposed on New Mexico businesses when they purchase from out-of-state vendors. Because of the unusual nature of the GRT, many of the deductions from the compensating tax base can be thought of as simply defining the tax base.

OTHER EXCISE TAXES

As is the case with the GRT and the compensating tax, New Mexico's excise taxes contain several provisions which serve to define the tax base by preventing double taxation or tax pyramiding. Examples include the exemption for sales of cigarettes on tribal lands to tribal members. Other provisions are treated as tax expenditures in this report, including the sale of cigarettes by tribal vendors to non-tribal members.

NATURAL RESOURCE EXTRACTION TAXES

New Mexico imposes a variety of taxes on natural resource production activities. These taxes are generally imposed on the privilege of severing natural resources and the largest of the deductions associated with these taxes reduce taxable value for royalties paid to federal, Indian, and state owners of the minerals. Because the State is preempted from imposing tax on these entities — or because it wouldn't make sense for the State to tax itself — these are not treated as tax expenditures. Most of the remaining deductions allowed under New Mexico's minerals production taxes, such as processing and transportation deductions, serve to define the tax base because taxable value for the severed products is determined at the extraction location. Because the actual sales of severed materials often occur after the materials have been transported from the extraction site and processed to some degree, these deductions are necessary to determine the value of the product that forms the statutory tax base. Other provisions, aimed at stimulating particular types of production, for example, are treated as tax expenditures.

The drop in oil prices and continued low natural gas prices has led to lower severance tax revenues for New Mexico in FY15 and FY16. The tax expenditures for oil and gas listed in this report incentivize continued production when prices drop below specific thresholds. However, despite the low prices, severance tax expenditures for oil and gas remain at zero and production was not incentivized because prices remained above the thresholds specified.

PROPERTY TAX

New Mexico's property tax law features a number of limitations and exclusions that reduce the revenue-generating potential of the tax. Some of these are broad-based, however, and are not treated as tax expenditures in this Report. Examples include the exclusion from tax of personal property and the 3% limit on annual value growth for residential property. Other provisions that are targeted at specific populations are included. Note that because most property taxes are

assessed and collected at the county level, TRD does not maintain data that addresses the impact of property tax expenditures.

PERSONAL INCOME TAX BY INCOME BRACKET TABLE

All Tax Payers (Tax Year 2016 Data)						
Income Bracket	Number of Returns	Percent Returns	New Mexico Taxable Income by Bracket	Percent NM Taxable Income	Estimated Tax on TI in Bracket	Percent Tax
Under \$25,000	614,345	62.23%	2,616,698,286	2.76%	67,773,915	5.34%
\$25,000-\$50,000	143,400	14.52%	5,239,747,229	7.77%	188,106,244	15.08%
\$50,000-\$75,000	85,178	8.63%	5,232,384,700	7.76%	197,529,721	15.84%
\$75,000-\$100,000	49371	5.00%	4,258,739,351	6.31%	160,925,903	12.9%
\$100,000-\$200,000	62385	6.32%	8,441,562,159	12.52%	301,879,316	24.21%
Over \$200,001	32651	3.31%	41,634,528,211	61.73%	330,112,576	26.47
Total	987330	100.00%	67,451,048,531	100.00%	1,247,132,853	100.00%
			Single Filers			
Under \$25,000	336155	73.21%	1,563,036,419	10.99%	43,049,018	12.72%
\$25,000-\$50,000	69716	15.18%	2,494,748,610	17.55%	93,800,145	27.72%
\$50,000-\$75,000	27621	6.01%	1,674,119,651	11.78%	65,194,552	19.27%
\$75,000-\$100,000	11291	2.46%	968,079,862	6.81%	36,872,419	10.90%
\$100,000-\$200,000	9905	2.16%	1,311,108,819	9.22%	45,302755	13.39%
Over \$200,001	4521	0.98%	6,205,764,554	43.65%	54,170,727	16.01%
Total	459209	100.00%	14,216,857,914	100.00%	338,389,616	100.00%
		Н	ead of Household Fil	ers		
Under \$25,000	132172	83.01%	443,678,859	17.50%	10,383,121	14.58%
\$25,000-\$50,000	16099	10.11%	579,853,169	22.87%	20,545,796	28.86%
\$50,000-\$75,000	6230	3.91%	374,869,011	14.78%	14,585,333	20.49%
\$75,000-\$100,000	2147	1.35%	183,252,040	7.23%	7,124,459	10.01%
\$100,000-\$200,000	1840	1.16%	240,504,333	9.48%	8,980,931	12.61%
Over \$200,001	734	0.46%	713,475,991	28.14%	9,573,189	13.45
Total	159222	100.00%	2,535,660,402	100.00%	71,192,970	100.00%
Joint and Surviving Spouse						
Under \$25,000	139124	39.01%	589,827,253	1.22%	13,632,042	1.66%
\$25,000-\$50,000	54778	15.36%	2,064,059,359	4.27%	69,846,092	8.51%
\$50,000-\$75,000	50184	14.07%	3,114,023,397	6.44%	115,068,510	14.02%
\$75,000-\$100,000	35437	9.94%	3,064,812,804	6.34%	115,356,702	14.05%
\$100,000-\$200,000	50191	14.07%	6,830,241,976	14.13%	245,737,193	29.93%
Over \$200,001	26907	7.54%	32,659,968,355	67.59%	261,269,061	31.83%
Total	356621	100.00%	48,322,933,143	100.00%	820,909,601	100.00%
Separate Filers						
Under \$25,000	5618	52.905	42,380,169	2.00%	1,386,783	8.98%
\$25,000-\$50,000	2606	24.54%	93,842,151	4.44%	3,647,523	23.61%
\$50,000-\$75,000	1050	9.89%	63,678,002	3.01%	2,460,450	15.93%
\$75,000-\$100,000	454	4.27%	38,986,811	1.84%	1,443,254	9.34%
\$100,000-\$200,000	420	3.95%	55,878,959	2.64%	1,723,284	11.16%
Over \$200,001	472	4.44%	1,820,818,124	86.07%	4,784,616	30.98%
Total	10620	100.00%	2,115,584,215	100.00%	15,445,910	100.00%

CORPORATE INCOME TAX BY INCOME BRACKET TABLE

2-digit NAICS	2015 Industries	Taxable Income over \$1,000,000		Taxable Income over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000		Taxable Income under \$500,000	
		CIT	# Returns	CIT	# Returns	CIT	# Returns
11	Agriculture, Fishery and Hunting	\$1,157,752	10	\$104,730	<4	\$650,294	2620
21	Oil and Gas and Other Mining	\$63,972,104	21	\$466,515	11	\$697,661	4711
22	Utilities	\$N/A	N/A	\$N/A	N/A	\$61,386	236
23	Construction	\$2,130,351	10	\$534,336	12	\$1,115,901	6517
31-33	Manufacturing	\$72,379,424	64	\$1,580,419	34	\$2,028,434	2071
42	Wholesale Trade	\$4,339,914	28	\$1,056,636	23	\$2,072,349	2584
44-45	Retail Trade	\$33,697,367	48	\$1,172,338	25	\$1,799,390	4589
48-49	Transportation & Warehousing	\$17,705,965	13	\$262,540	6	\$705,189	2086
51	Information	\$10,219,601	22	\$255,184	6	\$624,634	1504
52	Finance & Insurance	\$17,837,237	44	\$705,076	22	\$1,532,921	8540
53	Real Estate& Rental & Leasing	\$2,700,275	16	\$164,240	7	\$1,051,431	15625
54	Professional, Scientific & Technical	\$2,806,291	20	\$703,828	15	\$2,061,682	9176
55	Management of Companies & Enterprises	\$28,421,892	39	\$1,179,354	24	\$1,472,595	1798
56	Admin & Support & Waste Mgt Remediation	\$1,171,917	3	\$404,331	9	\$519,844	2161
61	Educational Services	\$112,117	<4	\$166,900	<4	\$74,240	398
62	Health Care & Social Assistance	\$1,586,459	7	\$286,966	6	\$525,110	3623
71	Arts, Entertainment, & Recreation	N/A	N/A	\$93,542	<4	\$109,381	1371
72	Accommodation & Food Service	\$1,125,901	9	\$449,562	9	\$731,707	2547
81	Other Services except Public Administration	\$194,730	<4	\$172,351	4	\$386,069	2658

Note: Only businesses that reported a valid NAICS codes are included in the chart above.

GROSS RECEIPTS TAX AVERAGE RATE TABLE

TRD utilizes the concept of an average actual gross receipts tax rate when estimating the cost of a tax expenditure as measured in terms of gross receipts tax forgone. To obtain the average actual gross receipts in FY17 of 7.1468%, the gross tax amount as reported through the RP-500 monthly report for all industries within all cities and counties, is divided by the amount of matched taxable gross receipts as reported for the general fund. In this case, matched taxable gross receipts represent a Combined Reporting System (CRS) tax return for gross receipts and the corresponding

payment for those gross receipts has been matched for a particular taxpayer during the revenue accounting period.

The RP-500 is a monthly local government distribution report that provides the detail behind the distributions made to each municipality or county for the month in which the business activity took place. The RP-500 report breaks down the distributions into either the current activity month or all other months, which can be from late reporting or amendments. As an example, if Taxpayer A amends returns for six months in the reporting month of September it will affect the distribution made in October and would be reported under "Other Months" in the report. The result is that the RP-500 is not updated with the effects of taxpayer amendments on older returns. Instead, they are aggregated into the "Other Months" category.

TAX EXPENDITURES

Any discussion of tax expenditures necessarily begins with a definition of the term. The federal government defines tax expenditures as "those revenue losses attributable to provisions of the Federal tax laws which allow a special exclusion, exemption, or deduction from gross income or which provide a special credit, a preferential rate of tax, or a deferral of tax liability...." In previous tax expenditure reports, we define them as "deviations from a baseline tax system created by specific tax law provisions." Tax expenditures may reflect an overarching statewide policy, such as to promote the general welfare of all citizens, or may reflect a specific purpose, such as to incentivize a certain type of consumer behavior, economic development, or job creation. Put simply, tax expenditures may be thought of as spending through the tax code.

With that definition in mind, not every credit, exemption, deduction, or rate differential constitutes a tax expenditure. Certain credits, exemptions and deductions are not considered tax expenditures due to: (1) constitutional prohibition (2) Federal pre-emption; (3) comity between governments; and (4) tax base-defining. Tax base-defining is particularly important given that New Mexico has a GRT which applies more broadly than a traditional sales tax. In theory, because the GRT is "imposed on any person engaging in business in New Mexico" and "engaging in business" is defined as "carrying on or causing to be carried on any activity with the purpose of direct or indirect benefit..." were there no exemptions, deductions, or credits, virtually all economic activity in New Mexico including receipts in the form of wages would be subject to this tax.

The questions are: do different tax structures constitute "tax expenditures"? If so, what is the baseline from which they are deviating?

These questions are not easily answered because most taxing jurisdictions tax different activities in different ways and for different desired outcomes. Exemptions, deductions, credits, or rate differentials for activities in one tax program categorized as tax expenditures are not treated as tax expenditures if the policymakers in New Mexico have decided to use different tax structures to tax different activities (e.g. personal income taxes, corporate income taxes, motor vehicle excise taxes,

⁷ 2013 Tax Expenditure Report

^{6 2} USC § 622

⁸ Section 7-9-4 NMSA 1978

⁹ Section 7-9-3.3 NMSA 1978

and severance taxes, to name a few). Likewise, if a tax structure taxes different activities or products differently without establishing a base tax rate, we do not treat these rate differentials as tax expenditures. If, however, a tax structure has a base tax rate and there are instances in which an activity or product is taxed at a different rate, we treat these as tax expenditures. We recognize that, to some degree, this is an academic difference, but we are not able to substitute our judgment for that of the Legislature and Governor by attempting to determine what tax rate should serve as the base rate and which tax rates should then be viewed as deviations from that base rate.

Reasonable minds with a shared understanding of these definitions may disagree on specific tax expenditure examples. However, there are generally accepted standards for most deviations, and we confidently include them in the Tax Expenditures section of this report. Similarly, we conform to generally accepted standards for examples of deviations that are not tax expenditures in that section.

Finally, we created a section in which consensus is lacking. This section is provided to ensure transparency and consistency in reporting. With Executive Order 2011-071 in mind, we include the statutory basis, the intended purpose, an evaluation, any recommendations, and the fiscal impact or estimated fiscal impact for each tax expenditure. In an effort to make the data more readable, and hopefully more useful, we include charts and historical tables of the fiscal impact.

While not mandated by the Executive Order, we also include both a reliability factor, and a brief history of each statute, to help the reader understand how the statute has evolved, as well as a summary of the provision as it exists at the present time. We also added a section to each expenditure to show which of the five categories (citizen benefit, economic development, etc.) the expenditure is in. Many sections have been amended several times and we note the year of each amendment. For amendments that have a direct impact on the deviation being discussed, we summarize the substance of the change.

In total, there are 123 tax expenditures, 98 provisions that are not tax expenditures, and 23 activities in which consensus is lacking.

NOTES ABOUT TYPES OF TAX EXPENDITURES

EXEMPTIONS AND DEDUCTIONS

In terms of the practical effect on tax liability, there is little difference between an "exemption" and a "deduction", however, there are conceptual administrative differences between the two. At a conceptual or definitional level, an "exemption" is a statutory means of freeing a taxpayer from a duty, liability, or requirement. New Mexico tax exemptions come in several forms: broad exemptions for certain types of taxpayers from a tax program; insurance companies are exempt from corporate income tax if they pay New Mexico premium taxes; exemptions for certain types of transactions; and exemptions for certain amounts of income, revenue, or gross receipts. In most instances, exemptions free taxpayers of a reporting obligation with respect to the exempt entity, transactions, or amounts. In short, unless specifically required by statute or instruction, exemptions are not reported.

A tax deduction is a statutory mechanism that decreases a taxpayer's liability by reducing the amount of the taxpayer's income, revenue, or gross receipts that is subject to tax. Like exemptions, deductions can apply to certain types of entities, to transactions, or to amounts of income, revenue, or gross receipts. Unlike exemptions, deductions do not typically free taxpayers of reporting obligations. Rather, taxpayers that are entitled to deductions typically must file returns under the particular tax program to which the deduction pertains, identify the amount of the tax base before the deduction, and then reduce this tax base by the amount of the deduction. In addition, many deductions under the GRT program require the taxpayer to obtain nontaxable transaction certificates to establish entitlement to the deduction.

As noted above, many deductions and exemptions in New Mexico statutes are not tax expenditures.

CREDITS

A tax credit is a statutory mechanism which allows taxpayers that meet the qualifications for obtaining a credit to subtract the amount of the credit from the total tax liability they owe the State. Tax credits can be granted in recognition of taxes already paid or to encourage behaviors like investment or parenting. Most tax credits are reported on returns but are not always separately reported.

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TAX CREDITS AND DEDUCTIONS

Tax deductions and tax credits can both reduce a taxpayer's tax liability, but they do it in different ways. Tax deductions reduce the taxpayer's tax base, taxable income for income taxes or receipts for GRT, in order to calculate the taxpayer's liability. Additionally, deductions cannot reduce taxable income below zero. In contrast, tax credits do not directly reduce a person's tax base; rather, they are dollar for dollar credit amounts that offset or reduce a taxpayer's liability. In contrast to deductions, credits that exceed liability are often allowed to be carried forward to the taxpayer's next reporting period, or, in more limited instances, are refundable.

NOTES ABOUT THE DATA

As with the 2016 *Tax Expenditure Report*, this report continues to qualify the expenditure amounts with Reliability Factors, which are an effort to help the reader understand the methodology for determining the fiscal impact of the tax expenditure. We stress that the fiscal impact of an expenditure needs to be read in conjunction with that expenditure's reliability factor. The Reliability Factor is a scale of 1-4 as follows:



1: The most reliable information comes directly from taxpayer-reported data, as contained in GenTax (GenTax is the integrated tax processing software used by TRD to record New Mexico's multiple tax programs). It requires no additional estimation or manipulation with one exception; instances where the GRT actual average rate is used to estimate the forgone tax instead of using the known rates in the different jurisdictions in the state. This data is only as reliable as the taxpayers who are reporting it.



2: Estimated from taxpayer-reported data as contained in GenTax (RP-80 report). For example, if a GRT tax expenditure is industry-specific, TRD is able make assumptions based on North American Industry Classification System ("NAICS") codes.



3: Estimated using national data and extrapolating to New Mexico.

4: The least reliable data. Estimates represent the economists' best estimate about the value of a tax expenditure. Due to limited data for analysis, these estimates are frequently rounded up to the nearest million.

In addition, a limited number of expenditures have unknown reliability, because there is no data available to make even an estimate of the amount. This is reflected in the table below showing the number of expenditures for each Reliability Factor.

Reliability Factor	Description	Number of Expenditures	
1	Most reliable. No estimation	68	
2	Estimated from GenTax data	16	
3	Estimated from national data	15	
4	Least reliable. Estimated from	8	
	limited data		
Unknown	No data available	16	

Readers should understand that taxpayers have the opportunity to amend their tax returns for up to three years, plus the current year. Amended returns often impact expenditure amounts. TRD decided that current data is more valuable than historically-consistent data. Therefore, when comparing this year's Tax Expenditure Report to prior versions, the reader should expect to see some changes to prior years. For example, the amount of a particular expenditure for FY2013 may be different in the *2017 Tax Expenditure Report* than it was in the *2016 Tax Expenditure Report*. Amended returns comprise a significant, but not the sole reason, for these variations. Other sources of the variation may include late filings by taxpayers or improvements to TRD methodologies for quantifying certain expenditures.

New Mexico, like many states, defines a year differently for different tax structures. For instance, the GRT tax year corresponds to the State's fiscal year (July 1-June 30) while the income tax programs use a calendar year (January 1-December 31). This presents a challenge for organizing and reporting the data. Because the tax filing deadline for personal income tax is in April of the following year and the money accompanying those returns goes to the General Fund during the following fiscal year, we present the tax year data as fiscal year (i.e., PIT year 2016 is presented as FY2017 because PIT year 2016 returns are due in April of 2017 which is in the 4th quarter of FY2016). PIT and CIT data from tax year 2016 is the most complete dataset available at the time of publication of this report.

Finally, our goal is to provide data for each tax program affected by a tax expenditure. However, we are limited both by federal and state law from disclosing data which might reveal a taxpayer's identity. Therefore, when there are fewer than three taxpayers reporting a deduction, exemption, or credit against a particular tax, TRD combined the data for all of the tax programs affected by those deductions, exemptions, and credits. When combining the data is not enough, we redacted it. Further, as a visual cue throughout this document, the reader will find a number of blank entries in tables where the data are redacted.

CATEGORIZING EXPENDITURES

This 2016 Tax Expenditure Report is broken down into the following five major categories: citizen benefits; economic development; environment, conservation, and renewable energy; health care; and, highly specialized industry incentives. Please note that the grouping of expenditures into categories is not an indication of whether TRD believes any particular expenditure or category of expenditures is good or bad, as a matter of policy. Rather, categorizing expenditures affords policy makers a broader view of New Mexico's tax expenditures that cannot be gleaned from reviewing each individual expenditure in isolation.

As with the determination of whether a particular deduction, credit, or exemption constitutes a tax expenditure, TRD acknowledges there that can be legitimate differences of opinion as to whether a particular expenditure belongs in one category or another. Certain expenditures may cross multiple categories. For example, an expenditure listed in the highly specialized industry category might also serve economic development purposes. However, TRD believes it is important to the integrity of the categorization exercise to include each expenditure in only one category. Finally, as TRD continues to develop its capacity technologically, expenditure categories may change. For example, we may have the capability in future tax expenditure reports to group expenditures that pertain to a specific industry or a specific subset of taxpayers into smaller categories in order to examine the universe of expenditures that affect or could affect certain groups or industries.

The outline below sets forth expenditures included in each category. The full list can be found in Appendix B.

1. Citizen Benefits

- a. Expenditures that are available to, or that benefit, all individual taxpayers, such as the expenditures for food and medical services and prescription drug deductions from GRT and contributions to the education deduction from PIT.
- b. Expenditures designed to alleviate burdens for a specific subset of the population, such as veterans, active military, low-income, or the elderly.
- c. Expenditures that lessen the burdens of government, such as certain nonprofit expenditures.

2. Economic Development

- a. Expenditures designed to stimulate investment in New Mexico, such as the angel investment PIT credit.
- b. Job creation expenditures, such as the high-wage and rural job tax credits.
- c. Expenditures designed to attract industries, such as the film production and Research and Development credits.

3. Environment, Conservation, and Renewable energy

a. Expenditures designed for environmental health, to promote conservation, and to promote renewable energy technologies and usage, such as the advanced energy credit (renewables and carbon sequestration), biofuels incentives, renewable energy production tax credit, and PIT/CIT credit for land conservation contributions.

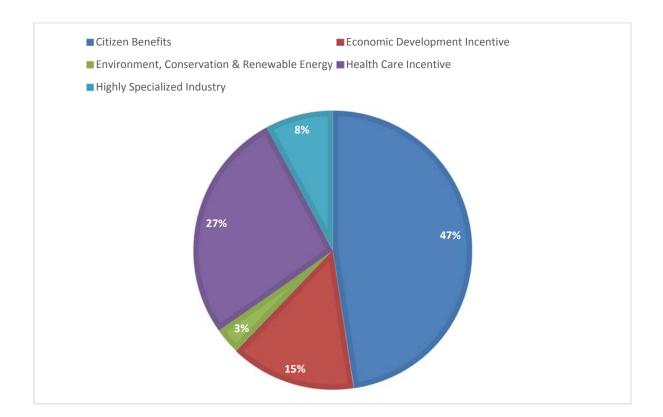
4. Health Care

Expenditures designed to increase accessibility to and lower the costs of health care. Examples include the health care practitioners GRT deduction, hospital construction deduction, and rural health care practitioners PIT credit.

5. Highly Specialized Industries

Expenditures available to specific or highly specialized industries, such as agriculture, uranium and aerospace.

The chart below reflects the most recent data available for all tax expenditures. The data presented is based on the un-redacted cost of the tax expenditures.



ADVANCED ENERGY CREDIT AGAINST GRT, COMPENSATING TAX, WITHHOLDING TAX, PIT, OR CIT

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: A taxpayer who holds an ownership interest in a qualified generating facility

located in New Mexico may claim an advanced energy credit against GRT, compensating tax or withholding tax. The allowable credit is 6% of the costs of designing and constructing the qualified generating facility. If the credit amount exceeds the taxpayer's GRT, compensating tax and withholding tax liability, the excess may be claimed against the taxpayer's New Mexico PIT or CIT return. A qualified generating facility is one that begins construction before December 31, 2015 and is:

(1) solar thermal electric,

(2) solar photovoltaic electric,

(3) geothermal electric,

(4) a recycled energy project, or

(5) new or repowered coal-based electric.

The aggregate amount of all advanced energy tax credits that may be claimed with respect to a single qualified generating facility may not exceed sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000).

The credit is not refundable but may be carried forward for up to ten years.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.25, 7-2A-25, and 7-9G-2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To incentivize investment in energy generation facilities by mitigating all or

a portion of the GRT, compensating tax liability, withholding tax, PIT, and

CIT.

History: Originally enacted in 2007 as a credit against GRT, compensating tax, and

withholding tax.

Amended in 2009 to allow credit amounts that exceeds the claimant's GRT, compensating tax and withholding tax liability to claim the excess credit against PIT and CIT; made the GRT, compensating tax, and withholding tax

credit conform to the new credits.

Evaluation: The credit was amended in 2009 to include the income tax regime. However,

the credit is not being used by income tax regime taxpayers. The GRT data included in the fiscal impact chart was obtained through a different source

from GenTax. Hence, data for fiscal years between FY2013 and FY2017 has been updated to reflect the change. TRD believes this credit has not reached expected utilization levels because a taxpayer who claims this credit is ineligible to claim the investment tax credit or any other credit that may be taken against PIT, CIT, GRT, compensating tax, or withholding tax liabilities. In short, this stand-alone credit may be less attractive to the taxpayer than the combination of other available credits.

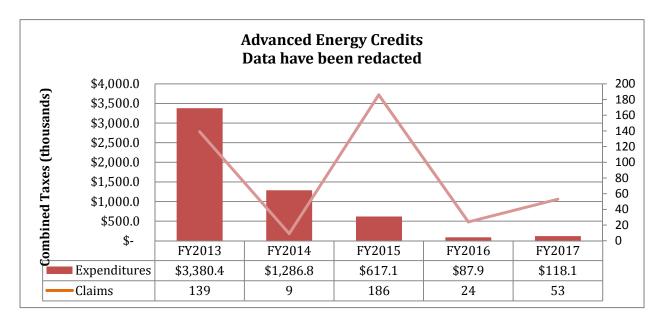
Recommendations:

This credit has not been widely used, and thus, has not realized its intended purpose. If a comprehensive energy-related tax program is being considered, then this credit should be repealed. If no comprehensive program is being developed, then at a minimum, consider allowing the credit to expire.

Reliability Factor: a 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

NOTE: Some of the data have been redacted due to fewer than 3 taxpayers claiming the credit. FY2016 has been redacted.

Fiscal Impact:



ADVANCED ENERGY GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX DEDUCTION

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: Receipts from selling or leasing tangible personal property or services, such

as design, construction, equipment, and equipment installation to a person that holds an interest in a qualified generating facility are deductible if the interest holder in the facility delivers a nontaxable transaction certificate to

the seller.

Similarly, the value of eligible generation plant costs from the sale or lease of tangible personal property to a person who holds an interest in a qualified generating facility may be deducted in computing the compensating tax.

The aggregate amount of all advanced energy tax deductions that may be claimed with respect to a qualified generating facility shall not exceed sixty million dollars (\$60,000,000). The NMENV certifies the qualified generating

facility.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-114 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To encourage the construction and development of qualified generating

facilities in New Mexico and to sequester or control carbon dioxide

emissions.

History: Originally enacted in 2010 to allow a deduction for the sale of tangible

personal property or services that are eligible generation plant costs.

Amended in 2011 to allow the deduction of receipts from the leasing of the

tangible personal property.

Evaluation: EDD does not currently track the number of temporary construction jobs or

economic-based jobs related to the deduction. However, according to the NMENV, while there are few permanent jobs associated with the deduction, the number of temporary construction jobs from the projects certified by the

NMENV is notable.

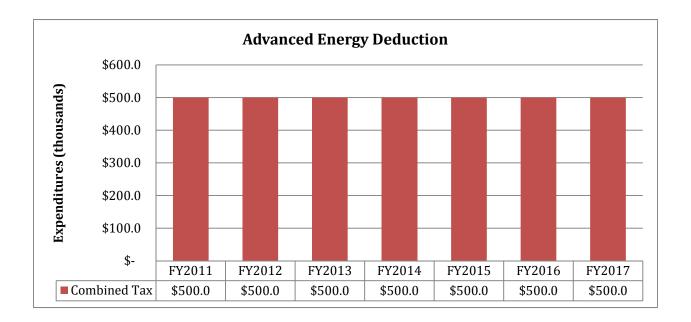
Assuming 60 new temporary construction jobs were created, and the people employed would not have been otherwise employed in New Mexico, TRD estimates these jobs would have generated approximately \$50,000 in PIT revenue. This estimate considers the Bureau of Labor and Statistics-published average wages for the applicable fields, assuming the temporary jobs lasted an average of six months. Making certain assumptions about spending, GRT revenue of approximately \$50,000 could result. Other forms of revenue insurance premium tax, property tax, etc. have likely also been

generated, in smaller amounts.

Recommendations: Consider repealing. This deduction works in tandem with the advanced energy credit, and neither are widely used.

Reliability Factor: 2 -This estimate is extrapolated from incomplete taxpayer information. The lack of complete reporting diminishes the accuracy of this estimate.

Fiscal Impact:



AFFORDABLE HOUSING CREDIT AGAINST MODIFIED COMBINED TAX, PIT, OR CIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: A tax credit can be applied against GRT (less local option gross receipts

taxes), compensating tax, withholding, PIT, CIT, E911, and other CRS tax liabilities for investments in affordable housing projects equal to 50% of the amount of cash invested or the fair market value of the land, buildings, materials, or services relating to such projects. This tax expenditure is available to taxpayers receiving a tax credit voucher issued by the New

Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority (MFA).

Under the MFA's program, the tax credit voucher is administered based on donations made to affordable housing projects and the Affordable Housing Charitable Trust. The maximum amount for this expenditure is calculated annually by multiplying a base rate, adjusted for inflation, and the state's population. For tax year 2016 the ceiling was approximately \$4.4 million. Donations may include land, buildings, materials, cash or services. Cash equivalents, such as store credit or waived invoices, are considered a cash donation. Donations received by the project sponsor in exchange for tax credits may be used to fund the acquisition, substantial rehabilitation, and/or new construction of affordable housing projects throughout the state, including down payment and closing cost assistance for acquisition of affordable single-family housing. No minimum or maximum dollar limits are placed on donations made directly to the Affordable Housing Charitable Trust.

The credit is not refundable but may be carried forward for up to five years.

Statutory Basis: 7-9I-5 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the construction of affordable housing projects.

History: Originally enacted in 2005.

An amendment to the Affordable Housing Tax Credit Act in 2010 expanded where eligible "affordable housing projects" can be located from counties with a population of less than 100,000 to all counties and to include

materials as an allowable investment.

Evaluation: MFA reports this program is highly effective in leveraging donations for

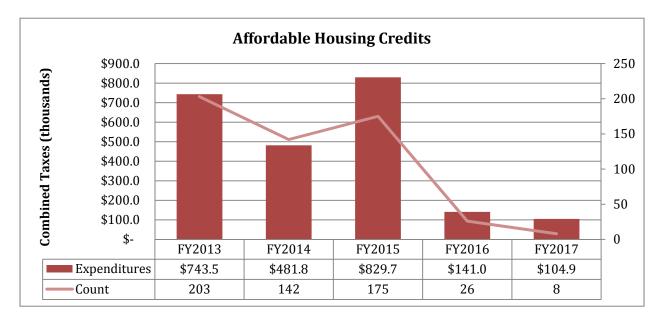
affordable housing development organizations like Habitat for Humanity. TRD believes the credit is an important instrument to promote investment in low-income housing projects. The GRT data included in the fiscal impact chart was obtained through a different source from GenTax. Hence, data for fiscal years between FY2013 and FY2017 has been updated to reflect the

change.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: \mathbf{n} 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

Fiscal Impact:



AGRICULTURAL BIOMASS CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: A dairy or feedlot owner is eligible for a credit of \$5 for each wet ton of

agricultural biomass that is transported from the owner's dairy or feedlot to a facility that uses agricultural biomass to generate electricity or make fuels for commercial use. The aggregate annual combined total of all agricultural biomass PIT and CIT credits is capped at \$5,000,000.

As used in this section:

(1) "agricultural biomass" means wet manure meeting specifications established by EMNRD from either a dairy or feedlot commercial operation;

(2) "biocrude" means a non-fossil form of energy that can be transported and refined using existing petroleum refining facilities and that is made from biologically derived feedstocks and other agricultural biomass;

(3) "feedlot" means an operation that fattens livestock for market; and

(4) "dairy" means a facility that raises livestock for milk production.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.26 and 7-2A-26 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To incentivize the sale and use of agricultural biomass as a fuel.

History: Originally enacted in 2010.

Evaluation: To date the EMNRD has not received any applications for this tax credit. Due

to the recent announcement of an agricultural biomass project that is under construction, EMNRD anticipates claims for this credit to increase. Due to credit transferability, TRD has received numerous inquiries regarding this credit from both in-state and out-of-state tax credit brokers. High levels of transfers may indicate that the incentive is not properly scoped to the

taxpayers most directly involved in the desirable behavior.

Recommendations: This credit has not been used, and thus, has not realized its intended

purpose. If a comprehensive energy-related tax program is being considered, then this credit should be repealed. If no comprehensive program is being developed, then at a minimum, consider allowing the

credit to expire.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

Fiscal Impact: None, to date.

AGRICULTURAL WATER CONSERVATION EXPENSES CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: CIT and PIT credits are available for agricultural water conservation

expenses incurred by the taxpayer for specific improvements in irrigation systems or water management methods. The expenses must comply with a water conservation plan approved by the local soil and water conservation district in which the improvement is located. The improvements must be primarily designed to substantially conserve water on the land in New Mexico that is owned or leased by the taxpayer and used to produce agricultural products, harvest or grow trees, or sustain livestock.

The credit amount is 35% of eligible expenses incurred in calendar year 2008 and 50% of expenses in subsequent years through December 31,2012

when the credit expired.

The credit is not refundable but may be carried forward for up to five years. Carryforward claims can continue to be made through tax year 2017.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.20 and 7-2A-22 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To incentivize responsible water management and to offset the cost of

conservation-driven irrigation improvements incurred by the individual

farmer or rancher.

History: Originally enacted in 2007 with a delayed repeal of January 1, 2013.

Evaluation: The number of claims was relatively high early in the lifespan of this credit

and has reduced over time. A plausible explanation is that the creation of the credit stimulated the necessary investment in irrigation systems and water management methods. Furthermore, this credit is not refundable which means that the taxpayer must have enough liability over six years to offset the credit in order to get the full benefit of the credit. Once these early initial investments were made, there were significantly fewer farmers with

the requisite liability to claim the credit who needed to make this

investment.

Recommendations: Evaluate the status and adequacy of agricultural water conservation in the

State to determine whether a new or revised incentive should be considered

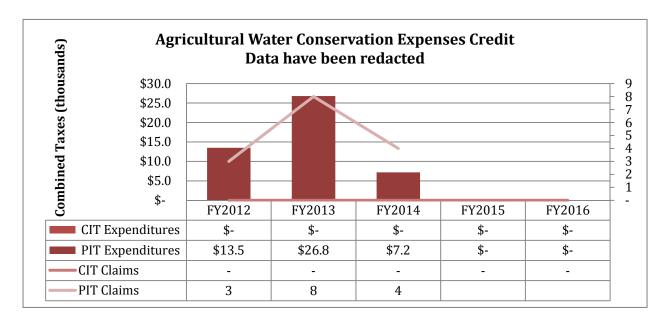
or implemented.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

NOTE: Some of the data have been redacted due to fewer than 3 taxpayers

claiming the credit. FY2015-17 has been redacted.

Fiscal Impact:



AIRCRAFT SALES OR SERVICES GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: Receipts from selling, maintaining, refurbishing, remodeling or otherwise

modifying a commercial or military carrier over ten thousand pounds gross

landing weight are deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-62.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize a more robust commercial and military aircraft

industry in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2000 and amended in 2005.

Amended in 2014 to expand the deduction by adding the sale of an aircraft over 10,000 pounds to the activities that are deductible. With an effective date of July 1, 2014, the impact from this expanded deduction will be

realized in FY2015.

Evaluation: With the 2014 change to this deduction, it is too soon to evaluate its

effectiveness. Members of the impacted industry tout the potential for significant new business opened up by the addition of aircraft sales to the

deduction.

Recommendations: None.

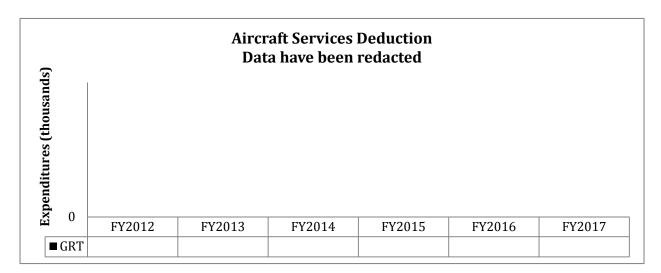
Reliability Factor: 2 – This deduction is separately reported. The deduction amount is

multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the

cost.

NOTE: The data have been redacted due to fewer than 3 taxpayers taking the

deduction.



ALTERNATIVE ENERGY PRODUCT MANUFACTURERS CREDIT AGAINST MODIFIED COMBINED TAX

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: Manufacturers of certain alternative energy products who hire at least one

new employee for every \$500,000 in qualified expenditures (up to \$30 million) and for every \$1,000,000 in qualified expenditures (over \$30 million) may receive a tax credit not to exceed 5% of qualified expenditures for purchase of manufacturing equipment used in the manufacturing

operation.

The credit is not refundable but may be carried forward for up to five years.

Statutory Basis: 7-9J-1 *et seq.* NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to encourage hiring and investment in the alternative energy

production sector.

History: Originally enacted in 2007 and amended in 2011.

The 2011 amendment included products of single cell photosynthetic organisms as eligible alternative energy products for taxable years 2011

through 2019.

Evaluation: This credit is underused. According to the Solar Energy Industries

Association's website, there are currently more than 100 solar companies at work throughout the value chain in New Mexico, these companies provide a wide variety of solar products and services ranging from solar system installations to the manufacturing of components used in photovoltaic

panels (15 manufacturers, 10 manufacturing facilities, 50

contractor/installers, 3 project developers, 8 distributors, and 23 engaged in other solar activities including financing, engineering and legal support. TRD believes the employment eligibility investment threshold requirements may be too high for this credit to be useful to small manufacturers. Additionally, manufacturers that qualify for this credit may also qualify for the investment tax credit, which has a higher credit rate and better carryforward and credit refund provisions.

The Gross Receipts, Compensating and Withholding tax data included in the fiscal impact chart was obtained through a different source from GenTax. Hence, data for fiscal years between FY2013 and FY2017 has been updated to reflect the change.

Recommendations: There is potential overlap with the investment tax credit (ITC). Consider:

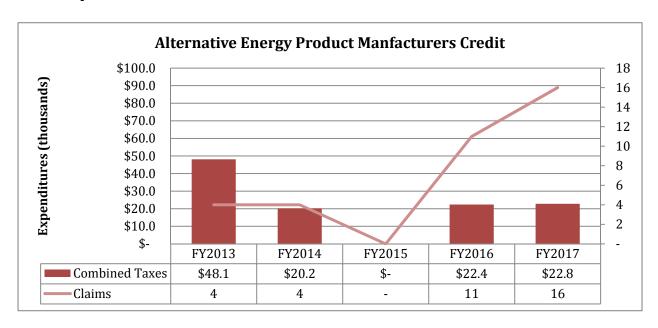
(1) Repealing this credit and subsuming it in the ITC; or

(2) Making the ITC and this credit mutually exclusive and lower the investment and employment threshold requirements for the alternative

energy product manufacturers' tax credit. Doing so would allow large manufacturers, even those that produce alternative energy products, to use the investment tax credit. Yet, it would open this incentive to smaller alternative energy product producers. TRD will continue to monitor credit utilization, especially with respect to the single sales factor phase-in for manufacturers, as that election may stimulate expansion or larger investment in alternative energy manufacturing in New Mexico. As there are several credits and deductions for related expenses, a comprehensive review of the relationships and interactions between these related expenditures could explain why some of them are underused.

Reliability Factor:

1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



ANGEL INVESTMENT CREDIT AGAINST PIT

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: A taxpayer who files a New Mexico PIT return and makes a qualified

investment may claim a credit in an amount not to exceed 25% of not more than \$100,000 of the qualified investment (\$25,000). To be a qualified investment, it must be in a business that maintains its principal place of business in New Mexico and engages in high-technology research or

manufacturing activities in New Mexico.

Prior to January 1, 2015, EDD, in any calendar year, did not issue eligibility certificates to exceed the \$750,000 cap. The period for which the credit may

be carried forward is three consecutive years.

For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2015 until January 1, 2025, 2015 legislation increased the credit amount per investment to \$62,500 and increased the number of qualified investments that a taxpayer could make per tax year to five. The aggregate annual cap was also increased from \$750,000 to \$2,000,000. The period for which the credit may be carried

forward is five consecutive years.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.17 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To incentivize the investment in qualified research and/or manufacturing

activities in New Mexico by angel investors.

History: Originally enacted in 2007 with a delayed repeal date of January 1, 2013.

The credit was amended in 2012 and 2015.

The 2012 amendment eliminated the delayed repeal and extended the date before which an investment must be made to qualify for the credit. The 2015 amendment changed the qualified investment amount, relaxed the limits on the number of investments, increased the annual cap and extended

the carry forward period.

Evaluation: This credit is being used as intended.

Recommendations: There is tension in the statutory language that should be corrected through

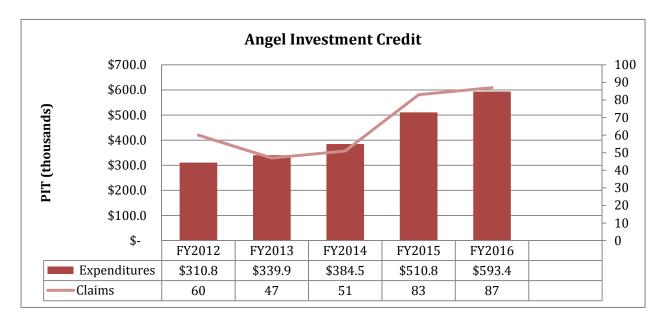
clarifying legislation. Subsection C prescribes that the claim must be made within one year of making the investment. Yet, Subsection E contemplates

and allows a queue that may render the one-year claim limitation

impracticable. To date, this has not been an issue because the claims have

not approached the statutory limit.

Reliability Factor: § 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



APPORTIONMENT ELECTION OF CIT FOR MANUFACTURERS

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: A taxpayer whose principal business activity is manufacturing may elect to

have its business income apportioned to New Mexico by using a formula which puts a greater emphasis on the taxpayer's sales than on the taxpayer's property or payroll. The transition from allowing a taxpayer to use a double-weighted sales factor formula (2014) to allowing a taxpayer to use a

double-weighted sales factor formula (2014) to allowing a taxpayer to use a fully phased-in single sales factor formula will be complete for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2018. For tax year 2014, the formula prescribed a 50% sales factor. For tax year 2015 the formula prescribed a 60% sales factor. Tax year 2016 prescribed a 70% sales factor. The

formulas for tax years 2017 and 2018 will prescribe an 80% and 100% sales

factor, respectively.

Statutory Basis: 7-4-10(B) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: As enacted in 1993, the purpose for having the double-weighted sales factor

formula election for manufacturers was to encourage investment and employment in this state by manufacturers who do not anticipate

substantial sales revenue within this state.

History: Originally enacted in 1993 and amended in 2001, 2002, 2009, 2013, and

2015.

The 2013 amendment provided a phase-in over five years the use of a single sales factor by taxpayers whose principal business activity is manufacturing.

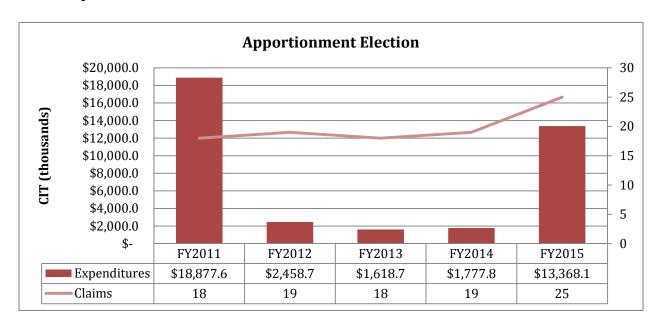
Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None at this time.

Reliability Factor: 7 2 - This election is reported. Some estimation is required. Differences

between annual expenditure reports are attributed to taxpayers filing late or

amended returns.



APPORTIONMENT ELECTION OF CIT FOR HEADQUARTERS

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: A taxpayer whose principal business activity is a headquarters operation

may elect to have its business income apportioned to New Mexico by using a

single sales factor.

Statutory Basis: 7-4-10(C) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To encourage companies to locate their headquarters or center of

operations for their managerial activities in New Mexico, thereby increasing

employment and economic activity within the state.

History: Originally enacted in 2015 Special Legislative Session.

Evaluation: The special election was enacted for tax year 2015, but claiming this special

election has restrictions. A taxpayer that makes a special election shall not terminate the election until the special election has been used for at least three consecutive taxable years. Taxpayers that elected a manufacturing special election beginning in tax year 2014 are not eligible to change their

election until tax year 2017.

Recommendations: (1) Consider clarifying the definition of "headquarters." TRD receives

numerous questions based on the language of the current definitions.

(2) Consider either a shift to market-based sourcing for all taxpayers or, at minimum, for taxpayers making this election. The shift to a single sales factor for service providers that locate headquarters here and perform a majority of the services from locations in New Mexico will not create the desired incentive because those companies will have a very high sales factor in New Mexico under the income-producing activity/cost of performance

test currently prescribed by Section 7-4-18 NMSA 1978.

Reliability Factor: 7 2 - This election is reported. Some estimation is required.

Fiscal Impact: This special election became effective during tax year 2015. However,

expenditure data is not provided because there are less than four taxpayers

utilizing this special election.

ARMED FORCES SALARIES EXEMPTION FROM PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: A salary paid by the United States government to a taxpayer for active duty

service in the armed forces of the United States is exempt from PIT.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-5.11 NMSA 1978

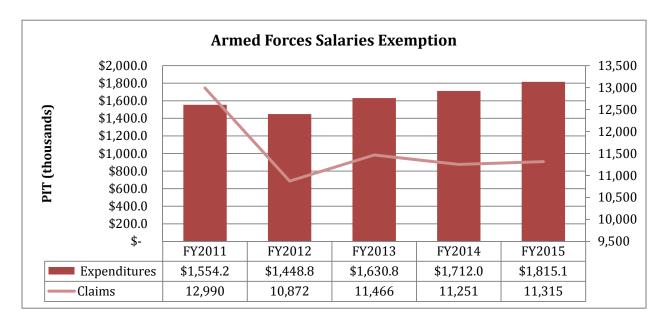
Intended Purpose: To provide a tax benefit for our armed forces personnel.

History: Originally enacted in 2007.

Evaluation: This is a discretionary incentive recognizing our armed forces personnel.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 – This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



BACK-TO-SCHOOL TAX-FREE WEEKEND GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Receipts from retail sales of specified tangible personal property if the sale

occurs during the first full weekend (Friday through Sunday) in August are deductible from gross receipts. The property specified by this statute includes certain clothing valued under \$100, computers valued under \$1,000, computer accessories valued under \$500, and school supplies.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-95 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the cost of school supplies and school clothes.

History: Originally enacted in 2005.

Evaluation: New Mexico is one of 16 states that will have a form of a tax-free holiday in

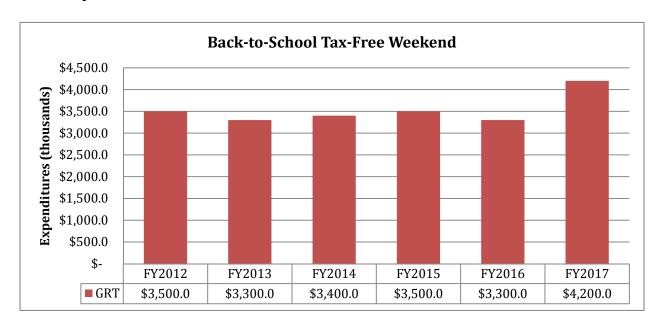
2017, a decrease from 2010 when 19 states held tax-free holidays. Other arguments for a tax-free holiday, such as an economic boost, have failed to be demonstrated. While no known direct evaluation of this deduction has been performed, the large revenue loss to small benefit gain to low-income

consumers would also hold true in New Mexico.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor:

4 - No direct data exists to estimate this deduction. TRD requires taxpayers who take advantage of this deduction to separately report the deductible amount, but there is no statutory authority to enforce the reporting requirement. The estimate is based on a percentage of August 2017 retail sales gross receipts identified for specific NAICS codes as reported by taxpayers. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost.



BIODIESEL BLENDING FACILITY TAX THIRTY PERCENT CREDIT AGAINST GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: A taxpayer who is a rack operator as defined in the Special Fuels Supplier

Tax Act, and who owns and installs biodiesel blending equipment at its facility to produce blended biodiesel fuel may claim a GRT or compensating

tax credit. The credit is 30% of the purchase and installation cost of

equipment.

Biodiesel is a renewable and biodegradable fuel derived from agricultural plant oils or animal fat. Blended biodiesel fuel is a diesel fuel that contains at

least 2% biodiesel.

The credit is not refundable but may be carried forward for up to four years.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-79.2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the establishing or expansion of a facility that

produces blended biodiesel fuel.

History: Originally enacted in 2007.

Evaluation: This credit has not been claimed. According to EMNRD's Energy

Conservation and Management Division, no applications for this credit were

submitted for FY2016.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is required to be separately reported. If claimed in the future,

no estimation will be required.

Fiscal Impact: No taxpayers have claimed this credit.

BIOMASS-RELATED EQUIPMENT AND BIOMASS MATERIALS DEDUCTION FROM COMPENSATING TAX

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: The value of a biomass boiler, gasifier, furnace, turbine-generator, storage

> facility, feedstock processing or drying equipment, feedstock trailer or interconnection transformer, and the value of biomass materials used for processing into bio power, biofuels or bio-based products is deductible

when computing the compensating tax due.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-98 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the construction of biomass power generation

and use of biomass materials.

History: Originally enacted in 2005.

Evaluation: According to EMNRD, several bioenergy projects are currently underway in

> the state and typically involve partnerships between federal agencies, local governments, New Mexico higher education institutions, and foreign entities. These include Albuquerque's Southside Water Reclamation Plant and the Las Cruces Waste Water Treatment Plant. As these are run by local

governments, they are unaffected by the deduction.

EMNRD reports a very limited number of *private* bioenergy projects undergoing construction in the last few years, with only a single project operating and another ceasing construction after funding difficulties. The conclusion therefore is that the deduction is insufficient to incentivize new

private projects.

Note that this deduction can only be taken against compensating tax, which

could incentivize firms to purchase equipment out of state.

Recommendations: For consistency, a GRT deduction for in-state sales of the described

equipment would have to be included.

Reliability Factor: § 4 -. The limited number of private bioenergy projects that have undergone construction over the last few years were estimated from publicly available sources of the size of the projects. A two-year construction timeframe was

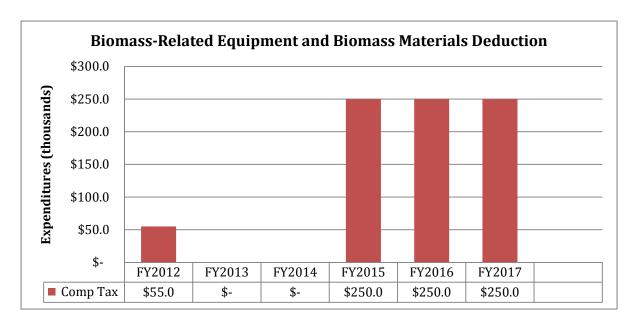
assumed, as well as assuming 50% of the project cost would involve purchasing equipment from out of state, and therefore be subject to

compensating tax.

Typically, biomass projects are designed to take advantage of local

feedstock, so the effect of the biomass materials compensating tax deduction

is estimated at zero.



BLENDED BIODIESEL FUEL CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: A taxpayer who is liable for payment of the special fuel excise tax is eligible

to claim a credit against PIT or CIT liability for each gallon of blended biodiesel fuel on which that person paid or would have paid the special fuel excise tax in the taxable year. This blended biodiesel fuel is a 3% mixture of biodiesel which is a different mixture from vegetable oil which is 99% biodiesel. The credit amount was phased down from 3 cents per gallon to 1 cent per gallon over the life of the incentive, which expired December 31,

2012.

The credit is not refundable but may be carried forward for up to five years.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.21 and 7-2A-23 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To incentivize the establishment or expansion of a facility that produces

blended biodiesel fuel.

History: Originally enacted in 2007 with an expiration of December 31, 2012.

Evaluation: The credit saw a decrease as the value of the credit reduced (from 2007-

2010, the credit was \$0.03 per gallon; in 2011, it was \$0.02 per gallon; and in 2012, it was \$0.01 per gallon). The credit is not available after December 31, 2012 and the only possibility for further expenditures from this credit

would be due to the use of a carry forward or amended return.

Recommendations: This credit has not been used. If a comprehensive fuel-related tax program is

being considered, then this credit should be repealed. Otherwise, the credit should be repealed after the carry-forward and claimant period expire.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

NOTE: Some of the data have been redacted due to fewer than 3 taxpayers

claiming the credit. FY2011 and FY2013 have been redacted

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BORDER-ZONE TRADE-SUPPORT COMPANY GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: The receipts of a trade-support company are deductible from gross receipts

if:

(1) the trade-support company first locates in New Mexico within twenty miles of a port of entry on New Mexico's border with Mexico on or after July 1, 2003 but before July 1, 2013; or they locate in a border-zone after July 1, 2016 but before January 1, 2021;

- (2) the receipts are received by the company within a five-year period beginning on the date the trade-support company locates in New Mexico and the receipts are derived from its business activities and operations at its border zone location; and,
- (3) the trade-support company employs at least two employees in New Mexico.

A "trade-support company" means a customs brokerage firm or a freight forwarder.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-56.3 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the location of trade-support companies to

support and increase economic activities at the various ports of entry (Santa

Teresa, Columbus, and Antelope Wells).

History: Originally enacted in 2003, amended in 2007 and 2015 to extend the credit

and add reporting requirements.

Evaluation: The trade support sector as defined in this deduction is very small and

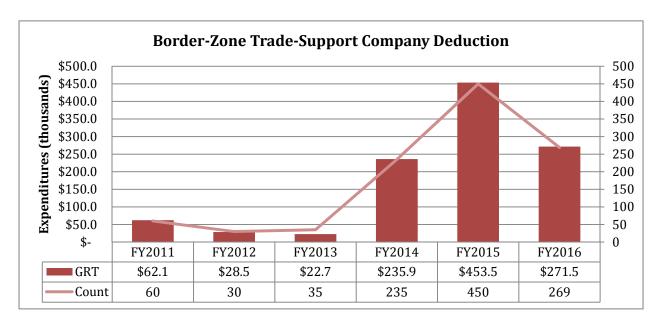
focused. Even if fully used, it only applies to a small number of taxpayers.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 2 – All gross

2 – All gross receipts deductions for taxpayers classified as trade support companies, per the RP-80 report, located in the following locations are assumed to derive from this deduction: Sunland Park, Anthony and unincorporated areas in Luna, Dona Ana, and Hidalgo Counties. This may result in the over-estimation of this deduction as the trade support classification does not match up perfectly to the definition of taxpayers who are eligible to take this deduction. Furthermore, these companies could be eligible for additional deductions which would mean that not all of their deducted amounts are attributable to this deduction. The deductible

amounts reported are multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost. $\,$



BUSES OPERATED BY RELIGIOUS AND NONPROFIT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS EXEMPTION FROM WDT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Use of the highways in New Mexico by buses operated by religious or

nonprofit charitable organizations is exempt from the WDT.

Statutory Basis: 7-15A-5(C) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to subsidize the activities of organizations the federal

government has determined to be performing socially-beneficial activities.

History: Originally enacted in 1988.

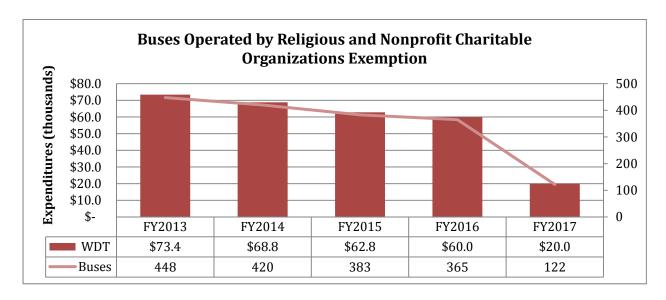
Evaluation: It is unknown why the number of buses registered as nonprofit has been

decreasing.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor:

3 – The number of buses registered as nonprofit was collected from MVD. Exempt miles are not reported on any WDT form, so average miles traveled per school bus were calculated from national school sources. Weight was calculated as an average of weights between 26,000 and 30,000 pounds gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR), which most type C buses are.



BUSES USED FOR TRANSPORTATION OF AGRICULTURAL LABORERS EXEMPTION FROM WDT

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Use of the highways in New Mexico by buses used exclusively for the

transportation of agricultural laborers is exempt from the WDT.

Statutory Basis: 7-15A-5(B) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to increase the production of agricultural products by lowering

the costs of labor for agricultural producers.

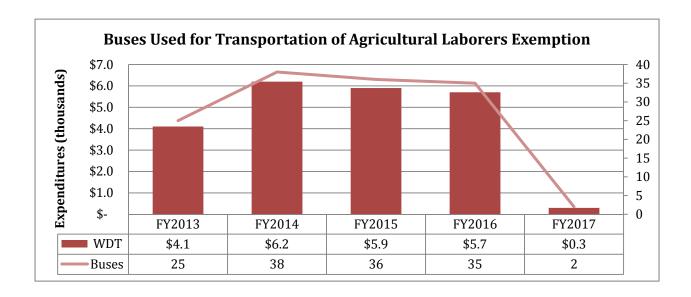
History: Originally enacted in 1988.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor:

3 –The number of buses registered for agricultural use was collected from MVD. It is unknown why this number has dropped significantly. Exempt miles are not reported on any WDT form, and no public source is available for miles traveled by agricultural buses. Therefore, average miles traveled per school bus was calculated from national school sources (school buses operate on a similar twice-a-day schedule). Weight was calculated as an average of weights between 26,000 and 30,000 pounds gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR), which most type C buses are.



BUSINESS FACILITY REHABILITATION CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: A taxpayer who owns a qualified business facility in an enterprise zone and

restores, renovates, or rehabilitates it may receive a credit of 50% per project cost (up to \$50,000) on PIT and CIT owed to New Mexico.

A "qualified business facility" is a building vacant for at least 24 months and intended to be put into use by a person in the manufacturing, distribution or service industries. Cultural or historic properties do not qualify for this

credit.

The credit is not refundable but may be carried forward for up to four years.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.4 and 7-2A-15 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To stimulate the creation of new jobs and revitalize economically depressed

areas within New Mexico enterprise zones.

History: Originally enacted in 1994.

Evaluation: The credit has not been used because most individuals do not have enough

tax liability to apply the credit. Qualified individuals and corporations who take this credit are not eligible for the investment credit which provides a higher benefit. According to EDD, there are currently no enterprise zones completing the required annual reporting, which indicates that the enterprise zones that were established when this credit was originally

enacted have expired.

Recommendations: As there are currently no enterprise zones, either consider repealing the

Enterprise Zone Act and this credit and replacing it with another mechanism to spur redevelopment or consider amendments that would accomplish that

result.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

NOTE: Data in FY2012 have been redacted due to fewer than 3 taxpayers

claiming the credit. Other years have no claims.

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CAPITAL GAIN DEDUCTION FROM PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: A taxpayer may claim a deduction from net income in an amount equal to

the greater of:

(1) the taxpayer's net capital gain income for the taxable year for which the deduction is being claimed, but not to exceed \$1,000; or

(2) 50% of the taxpayer's net capital gain income for the taxable year for which the deduction is being claimed.

A taxpayer may not claim this deduction if the taxpayer pays federal income tax on a qualified diversifying business net capital gain has claimed a credit against the taxpayer's New Mexico PIT liability equal to a capital gain tax differential, if the taxpayer allocates the qualified diversifying business net capital gain to New Mexico.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-34 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Capital gain deductions exist to incentivize savings and investment. This

deduction is meant to encourage taxpayers to put their income to productive use through investing, and to recruit individuals earning investment income

to New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 1999 and amended in 2003. The 2013 amendment

expanded the capital gains deduction simultaneously with the reduction in

income tax rates.

Evaluation: Most of the financial benefit is realized by higher-income earners whose

income is derived from investments. However, many New Mexicans, regardless of income level, will benefit from this deduction at some point. Any taxpayer who recognizes a capital gain during a tax year will reduce

their tax liability in that year by using this incentive.

Recommendations: Currently, the deduction has no cap for an individual taxpayer.

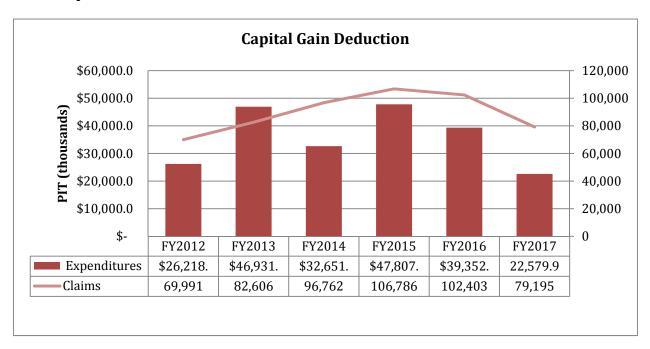
Consequently, the majority of the financial benefit is realized by high-income taxpayers. Capping at taxpayer's net capital gain income at \$100,000 will reduce the amount of this expenditure without unduly harming most of the

program's beneficiaries.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 – The deduction amounts for each taxpayer claiming this deduction were

computed, making this data more reliable than in past years, which used an average rate for all taxpayers. Differences between annual expenditure reports are attributed to updates in GenTax as tax filers provide late and/or

amended returns.



CERTAIN DISABLED MILITARY VETERAN EXEMPTION FROM MVX

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: A person is exempt from the MVX if the person is a resident of New Mexico

who served in the armed forces of the United States and who suffered, while serving in the armed forces or from a service-connected cause, the loss or

complete and total loss of use of:

(1) one or both legs at or above the ankle; or

(2) one or both arms at or above the wrist.

Statutory Basis: 7-14-6(E) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to ease the tax burden of individuals whose service in the armed

forces resulted in disability.

History: Originally enacted in 1978 and amended in 1988, 1990, 19954, 2004, and

2007 to include Subsection E.

Evaluation: This tax expenditure meets its intended purpose of lowering the tax burden

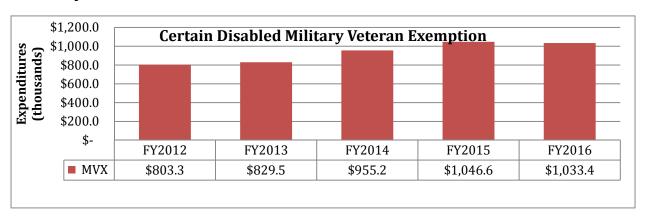
of disabled veterans. The estimated fiscal impact of this expenditure suggests that the exemption from the excise tax has had a positive effect on

vehicle purchases.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor:

3 - The number of disabled veterans in the State of New Mexico was obtained from the US Census Bureau, to only include those with at least disability rating to match the loss of limb usage as given in the statute. The national average prices of new and used vehicles were collected for the years of 2012 through 2016. Per the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute, in 2011, 1 out of 19.7 drivers bought a vehicle, either new or used. The total number of disabled veterans with a sufficient disability rating was divided by 19.7 and then multiplied by the average price of a new and used vehicle. The resulting dollar amount was multiplied by the MVX rate of 3%. This estimate may have changed from previous years because of improved usage of the disability rating.



CHILD CARE TO PREVENT INDIGENCY CREDIT AGAINST PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Any resident who files a PIT return and who is not a dependent of another

taxpayer may claim a credit for child daycare expenses incurred and paid to a caregiver in New Mexico during the taxable year. The credit is available to a taxpayer who has a modified gross income, including child support

payments, if any, of not more than the annual income that would be derived

from earnings at double the federal minimum wage.

The credit is for 40% of actual compensation paid to a caregiver and may not

exceed \$480 for each qualifying dependent or \$1,200 for all qualifying

dependents in any taxable year.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To protect the health, safety and well-being of children of low-income

families and to give the parents an opportunity to place their children in day

care while they work.

History: Originally enacted in 1981 and amended in 1990, 1995, 1999, and 2015.

Evaluation: In 2011, increased audit and compliance efforts by TRD indicated that this

credit was being over-utilized by non-qualified taxpayers. Many taxpayers who previously took the credit could not provide proper documentation and were denied the credit. Some taxpayers report expenditures for non-

qualified childcare (care rendered by grandparents, relatives, etc.) or they were not working when the credit was claimed, which is a requirement for eligibility. The audit and compliance measures resulted in a decline in the

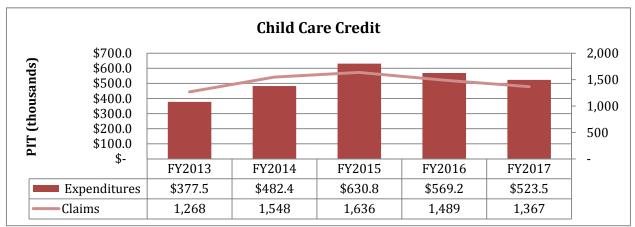
number of claims made.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required. Differences

between annual expenditure reports are attributed to updates in GenTax as

tax filers provide late and/or amended returns.



COAL EXEMPTION FROM SEVERANCE SURTAX

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description:

The following exemptions are currently in effect: (1) coal sold and delivered pursuant to genuinely new contracts entered into on or after July 1, 1990 without evidence of either producer and/or purchaser purposely taking advantage of the exemption; (2) coal sold and delivered, based on annualized amounts should the term be less than the production years specified, pursuant to contracts already in effect on July 1, 1990, that exceeds the greater of either the average calendar year deliveries under the contract during production years 1987, 1988, and 1989, or the highest contract minimum during 1987-1989. Should an annualized amount fall below the threshold, the exemption shall no longer be applicable unless the deliveries are reduced due to causes beyond the reasonable control of either party to the contract; and (3) if a contract existing on July 1, 1990, and renegotiated after May 20, 1992, requires the purchaser to take annual coal deliveries in excess of the greater of the average calendar year deliveries from 1987-1989 or the highest annual contract minimum from 1987-1989, the surtax does not apply to such excess deliveries for the remaining term of the renegotiated contract.

The taxpayer must register any contract for the sale of coal deemed to meet this exemption with the TRD prior to taking the exemption.

Statutory Basis: 7-26-6.2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably this tax expenditure is an incentive for incremental production

by the New Mexico coal mining industry, providing reduced tax liability

under new or restructured contracts.

History: Originally enacted in 1990 and amended in 1992, 1994, 1995, 1997, and

1999.

Evaluation:

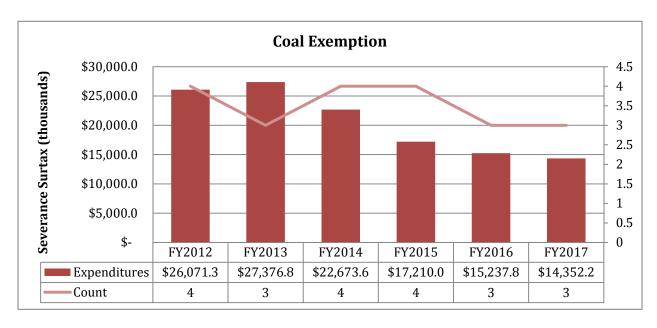
The tax expenditure provided through this exemption directly benefits the coal mining industry by providing exemption from the severance surtax. Since 2010, new agreements have been entered into which have resulted in previously unallowable activity to be eligible for this exemption. In the last two years, all coal mined in New Mexico has met exemptions from the surtax. Lower cost of coal can mean lower energy costs for New Mexico consumers as coal is still a major source of fuel in New Mexico. Nationally natural gas exceeded coal in 2016 as the majority fuel for electricity generation. Natural gas is a less expensive energy source that is more efficient in energy conversion and has lower carbon emissions when compared to coal. As PNM plans to retire the final two coal fired generating units at the San Juan Generating Station in 2022, the current market for New Mexico coal could decrease.

Recommendations: Evaluate benefits of exemption given no revenues received from severance surtax

Reliability Factor:

1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

Fiscal impact



COMMERCIAL MOTOR CARRIER VEHICLES OPERATING EXCLUSIVELY WITHIN 10 MILES OF MEXICO BORDER EXEMPTION FROM TRIP TAX AND WDT

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: Use of New Mexico highways by commercial motor carrier vehicles while

operating exclusively within 10 miles of a border with Mexico in conjunction with crossing the border with Mexico is exempt from the trip tax and the

WDT.

Statutory Basis: 7-15-3.2 and 7-15A-5(D) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize companies that have cross-border activities to do

business in New Mexico instead of Texas and Arizona.

History: Originally enacted in 2006.

Evaluation: The New Mexico Border Authority reports that the number of commercial

vehicles crossing the border with Mexico has increased since FY2011. This tax expenditure meets its intended purpose of creating a competitive environment for business in New Mexico. The opening of the large Union Pacific intermodal transfer yard in 2014 near Santa Teresa also indicates

this expenditure meets its intended purpose.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 3 - Data for truck entries at Santa Teresa was obtained from the U.S.

Department of Transportation ("USDOT"). The port at Columbus has very few if any facilities for transfer of freight and so was not included. From conversations with NMDOT it was assumed that all of the Santa Teresa entry traffic would stay within the 20-mile North American Free Trade Agreement commercial zone and was destined for the large Union Pacific transfer station 10 miles from the border, or other nearby freight transfer facilities. 20 miles per entry was assumed for a round-trip total road miles calculation. The total number of miles was then multiplied by the average WDT rate of all the weight classes. The same procedure was followed to calculate the trip

tax expenditure.



CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS USED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF SOLE COMMUNITY PROVIDER HOSPITALS GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Health Care

Brief Description: Receipts from sales of construction equipment or construction materials to a

foundation or nonprofit organization for use in the new facility construction of a Sole Community Provider Hospital located in a federally designated health professional shortage area are deductible from gross receipts under

certain circumstances.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-100 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the costs of constructing sole community provider

hospitals.

History: Originally enacted in 2006.

Evaluation: According to the HSD, the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and

Modernization Act of 2003 established a rural community hospital demonstration project for 5 years to study a reasonable reimbursement methodology for such hospitals. Section 10313 of the Affordable Care Act expanded and extended this demonstration for another 5 years until 2013. Holy Cross Hospital in Taos, NM participated in this demonstration, but withdrew in 2011. San Miguel Hospital Corporation in Las Vegas, NM was selected to participate in this demonstration under the expansion and extension of this program by the ACA. However, because the extension for the federal pilot program has expired, there are no more federal matching funds to support the services provided at sole community provider

hospitals. As a result, and based on information received from HSD, TRD is unaware of any recent new construction of sole community provider

hospitals.

Recommendations: Because the Affordable Care Act did not preclude an entity from building or

making capital investments in rural (sole) community provider hospitals, the deduction could still fulfill its purpose as rural health facilities find

alternative sources of funding for operations.

Reliability Factor: 1 - No new sole community provider hospitals were built in New Mexico

over the last several years. No estimation is required.

Fiscal Impact: No taxpayers have claimed this deduction.

CONSTRUCTION OF SOLE COMMUNITY PROVIDER HOSPITALS GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Health Care

Brief Description: Receipts from the sale of engineering, architectural, and construction

services to a foundation or nonprofit organization for use in the new facility construction of a Sole Community Provider Hospital located in a federally-designated health professional shortage area are deductible from gross

receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-99 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the costs of constructing sole community provider

hospitals.

History: Originally enacted in 2006.

Evaluation: According to the HSD, the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and

Modernization Act of 2003 established a rural community hospital demonstration project for 5 years to study a reasonable reimbursement methodology for such hospitals. Section 10313 of the Affordable Care Act expanded and extended this demonstration for another 5 years until 2013. Holy Cross Hospital in Taos, NM participated in this demonstration, but withdrew in 2011. San Miguel Hospital Corporation in Las Vegas, NM was selected to participate in this this demonstration under the expansion and extension of this program by the ACA. However, because the extension for the federal pilot program has expired, there are no more federal matching

funds to support the services provided at sole community provider hospitals. As a result, and based on information received from HSD, TRD is unaware of any recent new construction of sole community provider

hospitals.

Recommendations: Based on the presumption that the Affordable Care Act did not preclude an

entity from building or making capital investments in rural (sole) community provider hospitals, this deduction would be able to fulfill its purpose as rural health facilities find alternative sources of funding for

operations.

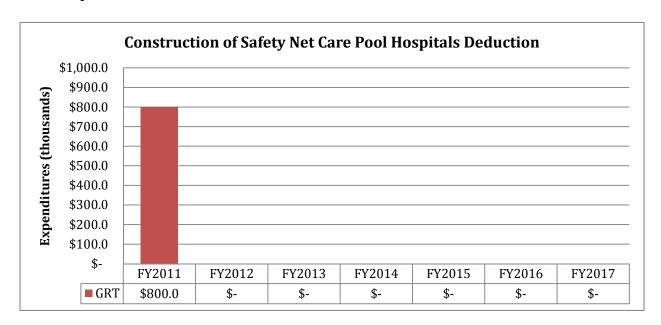
Reliability Factor: § 3 - TRD used a list of sole community provider hospitals published by the

U.S. Defense Health Agency, a single applicable hospital — Guadalupe County Hospital in Santa Rosa — was found to be constructed within this time period. An estimated construction cost of \$10 million was used to estimate the cost of the deduction. The deduction amount is multiplied by

the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost.

NOTE: We are not required to redact this information even though it relates to fewer than three taxpayers because the data do not come from tax return

information; rather, it comes from independent sources.



CONTRIBUTIONS OF INVENTORY TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS OR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES DEDUCTION FROM COMPENSATING TAX

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: The value of tangible personal property that is removed from inventory and

contributed to a U.S. or New Mexico government entity or the governing body of an Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo for use on an Indian reservation or pueblo grant or to 501(c)(3) organizations, is deductible in computing the

compensating tax due.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-91 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the contribution of inventory to government

entities and nonprofit organizations.

History: Originally enacted in 2001.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: Remove the cross-over PIT deduction under § 7-9-91(A) for owners of a

pass-through entity from this compensating tax deduction. The legal incident of compensating tax is on the business, even if that business is a pass-through entity. Compensating taxes do not generally flow through to

owners.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact of this deduction.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

* As a matter of clarity, having a PIT deduction buried in the language of a compensating tax deduction, when there is no corresponding reference to the deduction within the PIT statutes, is problematic. TRD suggests

eliminating the flow-through deduction.

CONVEYANCE OF LAND FOR CONSERVATION OR PRESERVATION FIFTY PERCENT CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: Taxpayers may receive a credit against CIT or PIT for donations of land or

interests in land if: (1) the donation is for the purpose of open space, natural

resource or biodiversity conservation, agricultural preservation or

watershed or historic preservation by the landowner or taxpayer; and (2) the donee is a public or private conservation agency eligible to hold the land and interests therein for conservation or preservation purposes. The credit equals 50% of the fair market value of land or interest therein that was

donated.

The amount of the credit that may be claimed by a taxpayer shall not exceed

 $$100,\!000\ for\ a\ conveyance\ made\ prior\ to\ January\ 1,\ 2008\ and\ shall\ not$

exceed \$250,000 for a conveyance made on or after that date.

The credit is not refundable but may be transferred in increments of

\$10,000 or more or may be carried forward up to twenty years.

A taxpayer may claim only one tax credit per taxable year.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.10 and 7-2A-8.9 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: These credits were enacted as part of legislation that enacted the Land

Conservation Incentives Act, the purpose of which was to encourage private landowners to be stewards of lands that are important habitat areas or concern significant natural, open space and historic resources by providing private landowners with incentives that encourage the protection of private lands for open space, natural resources, biodiversity conservation, outdoor recreation, farmland and forest land preservation, historic preservation and

land conservation purposes.

History: Originally enacted in 2003 and amended in 2007.

Evaluation: As demonstrated by the charts below, for 2012 through 2015, 55,146 acres

of land (or interests therein) have been conveyed for the preservation and conservation purposes at a total cost of \$5,864,400 to the State. The resulting average cost per acre is \$105. Based on the cost per acre, this credit appears to be an effective mechanism for ensuring conservation and

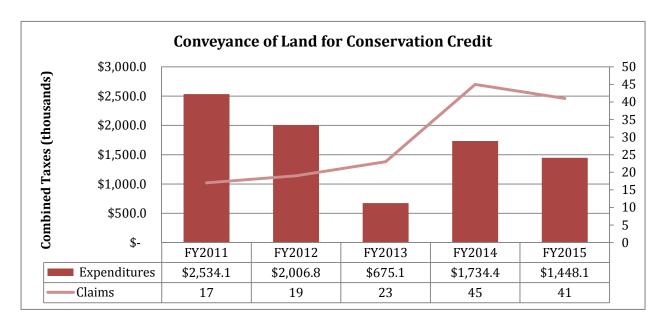
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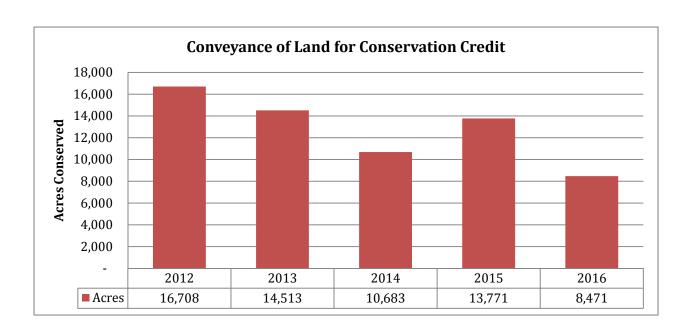
Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required. Differences

between annual expenditure reports are attributed to updates in GenTax as

tax filers provide late and/or amended returns.





CORPORATE-SUPPORTED CHILD CARE CREDIT AGAINST CIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Corporations providing or paying for licensed child care services for

employees' children under 12 years of age may deduct 30% of eligible expenses from their CIT liability for the tax year in which the expenses occur. This credit has a three-year carry forward. The credit may not exceed

\$30,000 per taxpayer in any taxable year.

Statutory Basis: 7-2A-14 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To incentivize the provision of childcare by corporations.

History: Originally enacted in 1983 and amended in 1986 and 1995.

Evaluation: This credit has been used by three or fewer taxpayers in the last four years.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

NOTE: Data have been redacted due to fewer than 3 taxpayers claiming the

credit.

DISABLED PERSON EXEMPTION FROM MVX

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: A person is exempt from the MVX if the person has a disability at the time

the person purchases a vehicle and can prove to the Motor Vehicle Division of TRD or its agent, that modifications have been made to the vehicle that

are:

(1) due to that person's disability; and

(2) necessary to enable that person to drive that vehicle or be

transported in that vehicle.

Statutory Basis: 7-14-6(D) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to lower the tax burden of purchasing a vehicle by individuals

with a disability who need to modify their vehicles in order to drive them.

History: Section 7-14-6 was originally enacted in 1998 and amended in 1990, 1994,

2004 and 2007 when Subsection D was added.

Evaluation: This tax expenditure meets its intended purpose of lowering the tax burden

of disabled persons.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 2 3 - Information on the number of handicap placards was collected from

TRD's internal database. According to the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, 2.3% of disabled people have a specially modified vehicle in their household. The national average prices of new and used vehicles were collected for the years of 2008 through 2015. According to the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute, in 2011 one out of 19.7 drivers bought a new or used vehicle. The total number of handicap placards was multiplied by the ratio of those with specially modified vehicles, then divided by 19.7 and then multiplied by the average price of a new and used vehicle. The resulting dollar amount was multiplied by the MVX rate of 3%.



DISABLED STREET VENDORS EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Receipts of disabled street vendors from the sale of goods are exempt from

GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-41.3 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably, this exemption is intended to eliminate the burden of filing CRS

returns on disabled street vendors.

History: Originally enacted in 2007.

Evaluation: The compliance rate of the disabled vendors, prior to the enactment of the

exemption, would be expected to be extremely low, resulting in a minimal

effective loss of revenue.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact of this exemption.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

DOH-LICENSED HOSPITALS CREDIT AGAINST GRT

Category: Health Care

Brief Description: Certain hospitals licensed by the DOH may claim a credit against GRT,

escalating from as little as 0.755% starting July 1, 2007, to as much as 5% after July 1, 2011, depending in part on whether the hospital is located in a

municipality or in an unincorporated area of a county.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-96.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to provide equitable tax treatment between for profit hospitals

and not-for-profit hospitals who are exempt from GRT.

History: Originally enacted in 2007; phased-in the credit over five years.

Evaluation: The decrease of this credit in FY2016 is caused by a flurry of applications for

refund of other related health care deductions (7-9-93 and 7-9-77.1) resulting from a Hearing Officer's decision and order known as the "HealthSouth" decision. The HealthSouth decision ruled that, contrary to longstanding TRD regulations, for-profit hospitals could claim the deduction under Section 7-9-93 NMSA 1978 for services provided by health care practitioners at those facilities. It also indicated that TRD conceded that for-profit hospitals could claim the deduction under Section 7-9-77.1 NSMA 1978 for health care services when the payments for those services came from specified federal sources. Recent legislative changes that took place during the 2016 2nd Special Session reverses this decision and precludes for-profit hospitals from claiming these deductions. However, the DOH-licensed hospital credit under Section 7-9-96.1 NMSA 1978 allows for profit hospitals

under other provisions of law.

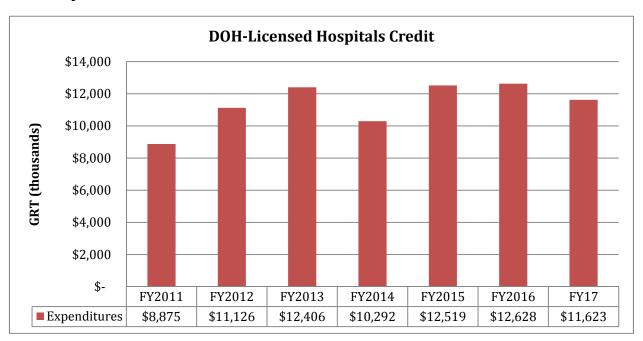
In addition to the "HealthSouth effect" and to a much lesser degree, TRD's recent enhancements of tax-credit accounting procedures within the Audit and Compliance and Revenue Processing Divisions have caused differences between the amounts of this credit reported in this book and previous versions. However, the data presented here is the most accurate available to

to claim a credit against GRT liability on receipts that are not deductible

date.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



DOH-LICENSED HOSPITALS FIFTY PERCENT GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Health Care

Brief Description: 50% of the receipts of hospitals licensed by the DOH are deductible from

gross receipts.

This deduction may be applied only to the taxable gross receipts remaining

after all other appropriate deductions have been taken.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-73.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to provide equitable tax treatment between for profit hospitals

and not-for-profit hospitals who are exempt from GRT.

History: Originally enacted in 1991 and amended in 1993 and 1995.

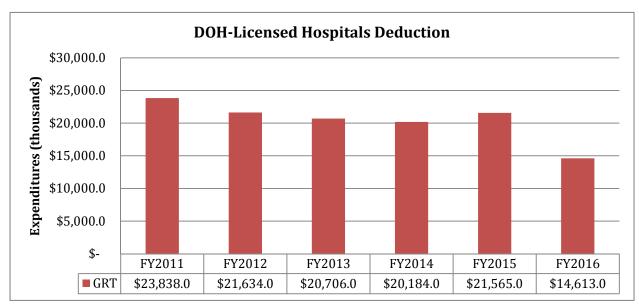
Evaluation: The economic subsidy provided by this deduction against gross receipts is a

social policy decision taken to reduce the total cost borne by New Mexicans

for eligible hospital care.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 2 - This estimate uses GRT reported by taxpayers classified in NAICS sector 622 — Hospitals: assumes that those taxpayers are properly classified and 622 — Hospitals; assumes that those taxpayers are properly classified and have properly applied the deduction after all other applicable deductions. In the 2015 Tax Expenditure Report, a 100 percent deduction, instead of a 50 percent deduction was reported. This has been corrected in all years. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost.



EDUCATION TRUST FUND PAYMENT DEDUCTION FROM PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: A taxpayer may claim a deduction from net income in an amount equal to

the payments made by the taxpayer into the Education Trust Fund pursuant to a college investment agreement or prepaid tuition contract under the Education Trust Act in the taxable year for which the deduction is being

claimed.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-32 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To incentivize saving for college.

History: Originally enacted in 1997.

Evaluation: This use of this incentive has been consistent over time. On average,

approximately 4,100 taxpayers use the deduction; the average annual

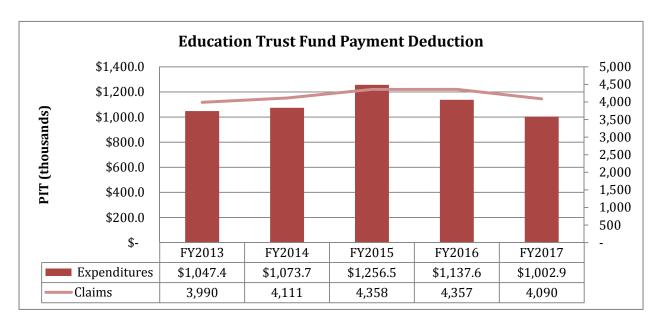
expenditure is approximately \$1.1 million.

Recommendations: This tax program is crafted to promote investment into post-secondary

education, specifically a college education. However, a college education is not the best path for all New Mexicans. This deduction can be expanded to

incentivize a broader array of post-secondary education options.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND STORAGE FACILITIES GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from selling equipment to the New Mexico Renewable Energy

> Transmission Authority ("RETA") or an agent or lessee of the authority are deductible from gross receipts if the equipment is installed as part of an electric transmission facility or an interconnected storage facility acquired

by the authority, pursuant to the New Mexico Renewable Energy Transmission Authority Act, are deductible from gross receipts.

The value of equipment installed as part of an electric transmission facility or an interconnected storage facility acquired by the authority pursuant to

the New Mexico Renewable Energy Transmission Authority Act, is

deductible in computing the compensating tax due.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-101 and 7-9-102 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to encourage the development of renewable energy

transmission infrastructure in New Mexico.

History: Both deductions were originally enacted in 2007 as part of legislation that

enacted the New Mexico Renewable Energy Transmission Authority Act.

Evaluation: At the time of this publication was prepared, RETA had not issued their

> annual report for the year ending on June 30, 2017. Verbal confirmation was obtained about the information shown in the fiscal impact table for FY 2017.

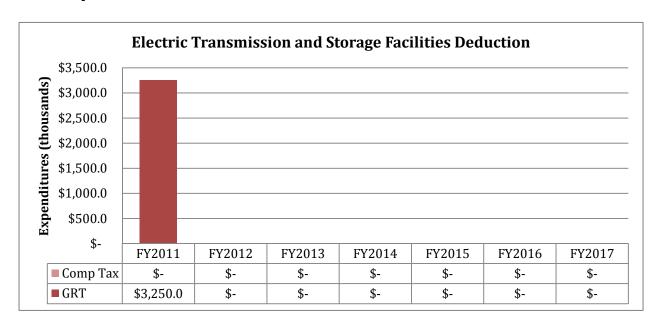
Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 2 - The 2017 annual report from RETA does not indicate further bond issuance or that RETA has made any qualified expenditures as of EV20

issuance or that RETA has made any qualified expenditures as of FY2017.

NOTE: We are not required to redact this information even though it relates to fewer than three taxpayers because the data do not come from tax return

information; rather, it comes from independent sources.



ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND STORAGE FACILITIES SERVICES GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from providing services to the New Mexico RETA or an agent or

lessee of RETA for the planning, installation, repair, maintenance or operation of an electric transmission facility or an interconnected storage facility acquired by the authority pursuant to the RETA Act, are deductible

from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-103 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably, the deduction is intended to encourage the development of

renewable energy transmission infrastructure in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2007 as part of legislation that enacted the New Mexico

Renewable Energy Transmission Authority Act.

Evaluation: RETA has reported expenditures for planning and other "governmental

activities." Presumably, this will lead to qualified expenditures for the other

related deductions.

Recommendations: TRD believes RETA should present to RSTP and/or LFC on the status of their

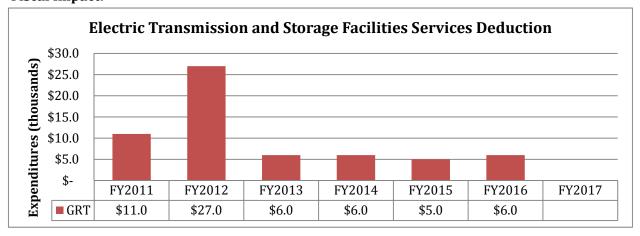
current and planned operations as this and other RETA-based deductions

have shown very little utilization in recent years.

Reliability Factor:

2 - RETA's annual audit reports list expenditures for planning and development services. All expenditures, excluding personal services and benefits, are assumed to be eligible for this deduction. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost.

NOTE: We are not required to redact this information even though it relates to fewer than three taxpayers because the data do not come from tax return information; rather, it comes from independent sources.



ELECTRICITY CONVERSION GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from the transmission of electricity where voltage source

conversion technology is employed to provide such services, and from

ancillary services, are deductible from gross receipts.

This deduction works in tandem with the electricity exchange deduction

provided in Section 7-9-103.2 NMSA 1978.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-103.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably this deduction is intended to encourage businesses using

voltage source conversion technology to locate in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2012.

Evaluation: October 2017 marked seven years since Tres Amigas, LLC first announced

its plan to create an electrical superstation connecting three U.S. power grids, with Clovis at the center. That superstation still has some ways to go, but is "alive and well," according to Tres Amigas Chief Financial Officer Russell Stidolph. Although the company three years ago announced a 2016 completion date, Stidolph now expects the finished project to emerge in

another three to five years.

According to the Tres Amigas website, the U.S. is home to vast quantities of clean energy resources — wind, solar, geothermal, and hydropower. Yet, it lacks a modern interstate transmission grid to deliver carbon-free electricity

to customers in highly populated areas of the country. Voltage source conversion is an emerging technology. In 2015 the company announced that

it was planning to invest \$500 million on a first-of-its kind project in Clovis

that would connect the country's three disparate power grids.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - There are currently no known facilities utilizing this technology in New

Mexico.

Fiscal Impact: No taxpayers have claimed this deduction.

ELECTRICITY EXCHANGE GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from the transaction and exchange of electric power, as a part of

the transmission of electricity where voltage source conversion technology is employed to provide such services and from ancillary services, are

deductible from gross receipts.

This deduction works in tandem with the electricity conversion deduction

provided in Section 7-9-103.1 NMSA 1978.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-103.2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to encourage the location of electricity exchanges in New

Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2012.

Evaluation: October 2017 marked seven years since Tres Amigas, LLC first announced

its plan to create an electrical superstation connecting three U.S. power grids, with Clovis at the center. That superstation still has a way to go, but is "alive and well," according to Tres Amigas Chief Financial Officer Russell Stidolph. Although the company three years ago announced a 2016 completion date, Stidolph now expects the finished project to emerge in

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the Tres Amigas superstation once the facility is up and running.

Recommendations: None.

conversion technology in New Mexico.

Fiscal Impact: No taxpayers have claimed this deduction.

ELECTRONIC ID READER CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: A taxpayer licensed to sell cigarettes, other tobacco products, or alcoholic

beverages may claim a one-time credit of up to \$300 against PIT and CIT for the purchase of electronic card-reading equipment for age verification. The credit is allowed for each business location where the business installs the

equipment.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.8 and 7-2A-18 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To incentivize the use of the equipment necessary to electronically verify the

age of purchasers of tobacco and alcohol by subsidizing its cost.

History: Originally enacted in 2001.

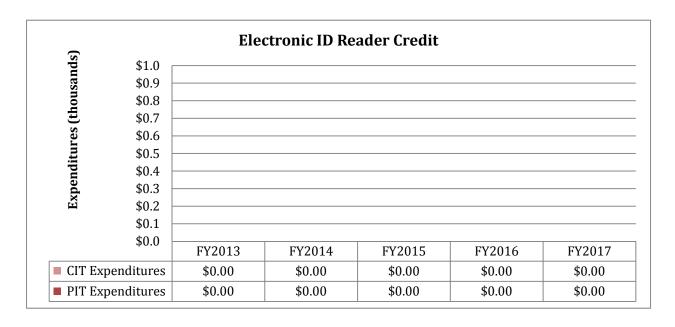
Evaluation: This credit is not used.

Recommendations: This credit should be re-evaluated, considering input from industry

stakeholders, or be repealed as ineffective and unused. Industry changes with respect to electronic age verification equipment and systems as well as

industry saturation should be considered.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



EXCESS OF ELDERLY TAXPAYERS MAXIMUM PROPERTY TAX LIABILITY REBATE FROM PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Taxpayers who are 65 and older may claim a PIT rebate for the amount of

their property tax that exceeds their maximum liability (ranging from \$20 to \$300 depending on the taxpayer's modified gross income). No tax rebate shall be allowed to any taxpayer whose modified gross income exceeds \$16,000 unless the taxpayer's principal place of residence is in a county that has in effect for the taxable year, a resolution authorizing an increase to a

\$25,000 gross income cap.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To offset the property tax costs for taxpayers who are often on fixed income.

History: Originally enacted in 1977 and amended in 1981, 1993, 1997, 1999, and

2003.

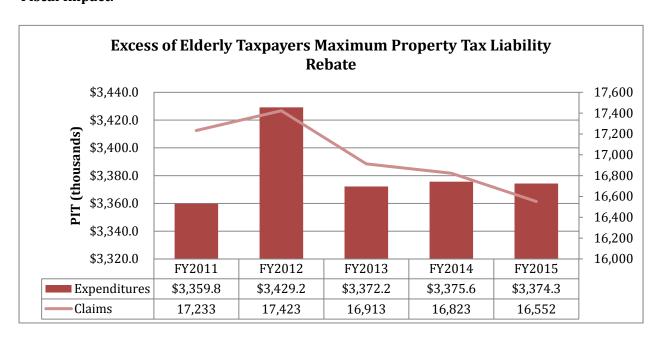
Evaluation: According to the U.S. Census, the number of people over 65 who are in the

labor force is increasing. By continuing to work, the likelihood is that their income exceeds the statutory threshold so that they no longer qualify for

this rebate.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



FEES FROM SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Receipts from dues and registration fees of nonprofit social, fraternal,

political, trade, labor or professional organizations and business leagues, are

exempt from GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-39 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the tax burden of certain nonprofit entities.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1977.

Evaluation: With no direct data, a proper evaluation is difficult.

Recommendations: For clarity and consistency with other statutes addressing nonprofits,

reference the United States Internal Revenue Code organization subsections that correspond to the description of organizations and leagues in statute.

Reliability Factor:

4 – The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) releases data for many nonprofits exempt from federal income tax who file an annual Form 990 Return. The National Center for Charitable Statistics has assembled IRS Form 990 data to report aggregate statistics by state. State level data is available for total revenue and total assets by nonprofits sub-divided by the IRS subsections for 501(c)s. While membership dues and registration fees are reported on IRS Form 990 returns, this detail is only aggregated at the national level. Calculating the national estimates of membership dues and registration fees as a percentage of total revenues, these estimates are applied to state level total revenue. Assumptions are made as to which 501(c) organizations this statute applies to and the corresponding percentage of revenue coming from dues and fees. In the 2016 TER, this percentage was assumed to be 10% across all nonprofits. This assumption remains consistent with the majority of nonprofit categories. One subsection of nonprofits, social and recreational clubs (501(c)(7)) the assumed percentage rate is over 50%. The yearly estimates show an increase amount compared to the 2016 TER due to the higher percentage for 501(c)(7) s. The exemption amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost.



FILM AND TELEVISION CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: The film production tax credit applies only to film production companies

that commence principal photography prior to January 1, 2016. A credit against PIT or CIT is available for 25% of direct production and postproduction expenditures made in New Mexico that are subject to taxation by the State of New Mexico and directly attributable to the

production of a film or commercial audiovisual product.

An additional 5% is available for direct production expenditures for TV pilots and series with at least six episodes in a single season and a budget of at least \$50,000 per episode. The additional 5% also applies to direct production expenditures that are directly attributable to the wages and fringe benefits paid to a New Mexico resident directly employed in an industry crew position, excluding a performing artist, on a production with a total budget of:

- (1) not more than \$30,000,000 that shoots at least ten principal photography days at a qualified production facility in New Mexico; or
- (2) \$30,000,000 or more that shoots at least fifteen principal photography days at a qualified production facility in New Mexico.

A tiered schedule of payments is provided based on the size of the film tax credit. For credits under \$2 million, the credit is paid immediately upon authorization. For credits between \$2 million and \$5 million, 50% of the payment is paid immediately upon authorization; the other 50% is paid twelve months following that date. For credits over \$5 million, the refund will be paid in three equal installments; one is paid immediately upon authorization, one is paid the year following, and the last is paid two years following.

An aggregate annual cap limits payouts of the film production tax credit to \$50 million across both PIT and CIT programs in any fiscal year.

Statutory Basis: 7-2F-1 *et seq.* NMSA 1978

Intended Purposes: The purposes and goals of the film production tax credit are to:

- 1. establish the film industry as a permanent component of the economic base of New Mexico;
- 2. develop a pool of trained professionals and businesses in New Mexico to supply and support the film industry in the state;
- 3. increase employment of New Mexico residents;

- 4. improve the economic success of existing businesses in New Mexico; and
- 5. develop the infrastructure in the state necessary for a thriving film industry.

History:

Originally enacted in 2002 and amended in 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2011, 2013, 2015 and 2016.

The 2011 amendment added a \$50 million cap, provide tracking requirements, require film production companies to submit the application/claim within one year, and require mandatory income tax withholding on nonresident actors.

The 2013 amendment allowed an additional 5% to be added to the calculation for the film production tax credit for television shows subject to certain requirements (the "Breaking Bad" provision); also allows for any amount of annual film credit that is unused in Fiscal Years 2013-2015 under the \$50 million cap — up to a maximum of \$10 million — to be carried forward and added into the subsequent fiscal year's cap; in any year where the \$50 million cap is not reached, if there are amounts that would be paid in a subsequent year under the multi-year provisions of the film credit, those subsequent year amounts may be paid in the current year up to the \$50 million cap; provides more specific requirements for withholding taxes related to services provided by artists under the "direct production expenditures" provisions of the credit, and it provides for a definition of "qualified production facility" and clarifies tax obligations of non-resident vendor services.

In 2015, the film and television tax credit applies to film production and adds credits for television pilots and series, qualified production facilities, nonresident industry crews, limitation on payments for performing artists and adds requirements to contract with certain vendors. An additional amendment adds a provision for a film production company that is eligible to receive a film production credit, to assign payment of all or a portion of the credit to either a third-party financial institution or another authorized third party. The 2015 amendment has no impact on the time periods covered by this report.

Evaluation:

The Film Division had a second straight record-breaking year, injecting nearly \$390 million into the economy, shattering last fiscal year's record by almost \$100 million. With six (6) major television series: (Midnight, Texas (NBC pilot), Longmire Season 5 (Netflix), Preacher Season 1 (AMC), From Dusk Till Dawn Season 3 (El Rey/Netflix), The Night Shift Season 3 (NBC) and Godless Season 1 (Netflix), and six (6) features (Granite Mountain, Hostiles, An Ideal Home, Juarez, Cowboy Drifter and I Am That) in production with the number of worker days totaling 260,307.

FY 16 Performance Measures	Target	Year-End Total
Number of film and media worker days	190,000	260,307
Direct spending by film industry productions in millions	200	387.2
Number of major film productions overs \$1M made in NM	19	30

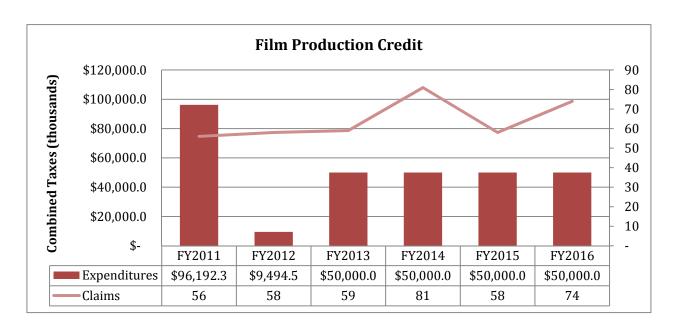
Performance Measures	FY12*	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16		
Direct Spend into NM Economy	*was not a performance measure in FY2012	\$213.70	\$162.10	\$288.60	\$387.20		
Qualifying Spend**	\$224.60	\$233.50	\$196.50	\$343.10	\$467.00		
Number of Projects over \$1M (total budget)	14	21	18	25	30		
Worker Days (crew size x days employed)	143,046	216,461	189,782	279,458	260,307		
**approximated via NM Film Office initial registration estimates							

Recommendations:

There would be significant fiscal benefit to the State if payments were not accelerated. The mechanics of this program result in taxpayers applying for the benefit by amending returns. In recent years payments have been accelerated; in future years TRD expects the aggregate cap to be reached without accelerating payments.

Reliability Factor:

1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



FUEL FOR SPACE VEHICLES EXEMPTION FROM GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from the sale and the use of fuel, oxidizer, or a substance that

combines fuel and oxidizer to propel space vehicles or to operate space

vehicle launchers are exempt from GRT and compensating tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-26.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize operations at Spaceport America.

History: Originally enacted in 2003 as part of legislation exempting a number of

space-related activities from GRT and compensating tax

Evaluation: From publicly available information and that published by the Spaceport, a

company has recently expanded at the spaceport to include manufacturing

fueled motors. Two other operators which would require refueling

activities have also made significant investments at the site and others have signed partnerships with the authority. Additionally, a space focused small business relocated their headquarters to New Mexico and is preparing a

launch which would require on-site fueling.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact, but it is probably

minimal. Cash flow for most companies involved in this business area could best be described as irregular. Without a reporting requirement it is difficult to ascertain which companies qualify and how much of the deduction for fuel is being applied. Additionally, other deductions for the space industry

could conceivably apply to fuel as well.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

GEOTHERMAL GROUND-COUPLED HEAT PUMP CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: A taxpayer who purchases and installs after January 1, 2010 but before

December 31, 2020 a geothermal ground-coupled heat pump in a residence, business, or agricultural enterprise in New Mexico may claim a credit up to 30% of the purchase and installation costs against PIT or CIT liability.

A "geothermal ground-coupled heat pump" is a device that provides space or water heating or cooling via ground water or water circulating through the ground. The total geothermal ground-coupled heat pump tax credit allowed

to a taxpayer shall not exceed nine thousand dollars (\$9,000). The

department may allow a maximum annual aggregate of two million dollars

(\$2,000,000) in geothermal ground-coupled heat pump tax credits.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.24 and 7-2A-24 NMSA 1978

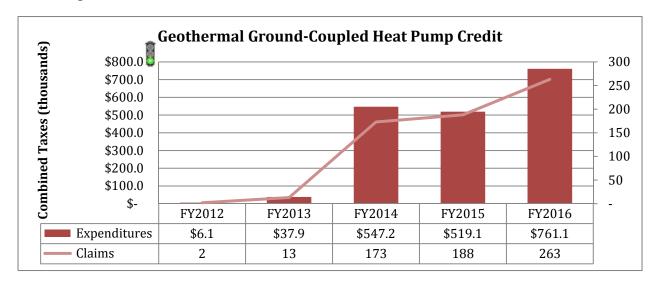
Intended Purpose: To subsidize the geothermal ground-coupled heat pump industry.

History: Originally enacted in 2009.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



GOODS AND SERVICES FOR THE DOD RELATED TO DIRECTED ENERGY AND SATELLITES GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Prior to January 1, 2021, receipts from the sale by a qualified contractor of

qualified research and development services and qualified directed energy and satellite-related inputs, may be deducted from gross receipts when sold

pursuant to a contract with the U.S. Department of Defense.

A taxpayer allowed a deduction pursuant to this section shall report the amount of the deduction separately in a manner required by TRD.

Definitions:

(1) "directed energy" means a system, including related services, that enables the use of the frequency spectrum, including radio waves, light and x-rays;

(2) "inputs" means systems, subsystems, components, prototypes and demonstrators or products and services involving optics, photonics, electronics, advanced materials, nanoelectromechanical and

microelectromechanical systems, fabrication materials and test evaluation and computer control systems related to directed energy or satellites.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-115 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To promote new and sophisticated technology, enhance the viability of

directed energy and satellite projects, attract new projects and employers to New Mexico and increase high-technology employment opportunities in

New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2015.

Evaluation: It is too early to tell if this deduction has fulfilled the purpose for which it

was created.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

Fiscal Impact: NOTE: Data in FY2016 have been redacted due to fewer than 3 taxpayers

taking the deduction. No claims other years as the credit is new.

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HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER SERVICES GRT DEDUCTION AND HOLD HARMLESS DISTRIBUTION

Category: Health Care

Brief Description: Receipts of licensed health care practitioners from payments by managed

health care providers or by health care insurers for commercial contract

services or by Medicare Part C services provided by a health care

practitioner, are deductible from gross receipts.

The deduction is required to be separately stated by the taxpayer. During the 2016 2nd special session, Section 7-1-69.2 was created to add a penalty for incorrectly filing for this and for the food (hold harmless) deductions instead of taking other exemptions or deductions which must be taken first, resulting in a hold harmless distribution. The penalty is equal to 20% of the

value of the hold harmless distribution resulting from the incorrect

deduction.

Enacted with the originating legislation were provisions in the Tax Administration Act that revenues of municipal and county governments

would be held harmless from the deduction.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-93, 7-1-6.46, and 7-1-6.47 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to keep health care providers in the state.

History: All three sections were originally enacted in 2004 and amended in 2006 and

2007. Sections 7-1-6.46 and 7-1-6.47 NMSA 1978 were also amended in 2013. Section 7-9-93 was amended during the 2016 2nd special session to reinstate the presumed original intention of the deduction by restricting it to

health care practitioners only and not hospitals.

Evaluation: Because of the hold harmless provision and the loss of the revenue which

has been made up through other tax burdens, this deduction comes at a significant cost to both the General Fund and the very taxpayers it is

benefitting.

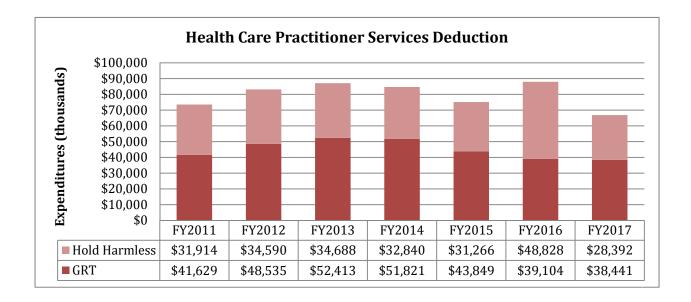
The significant increase of this deduction in FY2016 is caused by a flurry of applications for refund resulting from a Hearing Officer's decision and order known as the "HealthSouth" decision. The HealthSouth decision ruled that, contrary to longstanding TRD regulations, for-profit hospitals could claim the deduction under Section 7-9-93 NMSA 1978 for services provided by health care practitioners at those facilities. It also indicated that TRD conceded that for-profit hospitals could claim the deduction under Section 7-9-77.1 NSMA 1978 for health care services when the payments for those services came from specified federal sources. Recent legislative changes that took place during the 2016 1st Special Session reverses this decision and precludes for-profit hospitals from claiming these deductions. However, the DOH-licensed hospital credit under Section 7-9-96.1 NMSA 1978 allows for

profit hospitals to claim a credit against GRT liability on receipts that are not deductible under other provisions of law.

The GRT data included in the fiscal impact chart was obtained through a different source from GenTax. Hence, data for fiscal years between FY2013 and FY2017 has been updated to reflect the change.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 – This deduction is separately reported. No estimation is required. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost.



HEARING AND VISION AIDS GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Health Care

Brief Description: Receipts from the sale of vision and hearing aids or from fitting and

dispensing of these types of aids are deductible from gross receipts.

Definitions:

(1) "vision aids" are defined as closed circuit television systems, monoculars, magnification systems, speech output devices or other systems specifically designed for use by persons with low vision or visual impairment and not normally used by a person who does not have low vision or visual impairment;

(2) "visual impairment" is defined as a central visual acuity of 20/200 or less in the better eye with use of a correcting lens, or a limitation in the fields of vision so the widest diameter of visual field subtends an angle of 20 degrees or less; and,

(3) "hearing aids" are defined as small electronic prescription devices that amplify sound and are usually worn in or behind the ear of a person with impaired hearing.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-111 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to benefit persons who, due to medical conditions, are in need

of hearing and vision aids. The deduction then would reduce the tax burden

imposed by GRT and increase the taxpayers' disposable income.

History: Originally enacted in 2007.

Evaluation: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that half of adults

who are 75 and older report some hearing loss. This is a population that is primarily covered by Medicare but Medicare does not reimburse for hearing aids or the exams needed for fitting aids. Those who served in the US military can have hearing aids covered through the Department of Veterans Affairs. The cost of one hearing aid can be between \$1,000 and \$4,000 making it cost prohibitive for many to purchase one aid let alone two.

Access to affordable vision and hearing aids represents a better quality of life, and this deduction may enable some New Mexicans to afford the

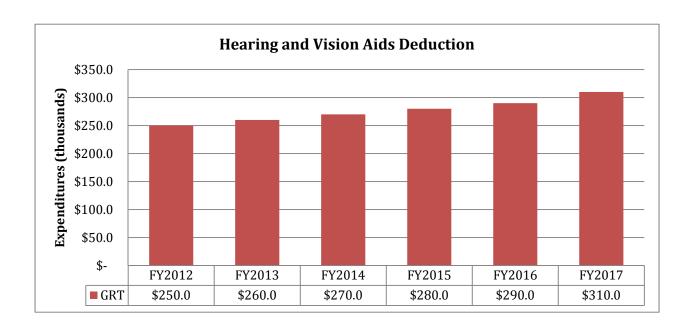
purchase of these aids.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 4 – Using data from the U.S. Census Bureau 2012 Economic Survey, the estimated sales of hearing aids in New Mexico is used to calculate a portion of this deduction. The 2012 estimate for hearing aids sales was grown by the growth of the New Mexico population 60 and older as estimated by the

U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 1-year estimates. This

deduction estimate is under-estimating the total expenditure amount as the data only covers sales of hearing aids and not related services for fitting hearing aids. Also not included is any data related to vision aids as detailed in statute. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost.



HIGH-WAGE JOBS CREDIT AGAINST MODIFIED COMBINED TAX

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: Eligible employers who create high-wage jobs in New Mexico may apply for

a tax credit against GRT (less local option GRT), compensating tax,

withholding tax, E911, and CRS tax due.

An "eligible employer" is an employer that:

(1) made more than 50% of its sales of goods or services produced in New Mexico to persons outside New Mexico during the applicable qualifying period, or

(2) is eligible for the Job Training Incentive Program assistance

administered by EDD.

The amount of the high wage jobs tax credit ("HWJTC") would be equal to 10% of the qualifying wages and benefits in an eligible job up to \$12,000 for each job. If an eligible employer meets the requirements, there is no upward limit on the potential number of total credits claimed.

Statutory Basis: 7-9G-1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To provide an incentive for urban and rural businesses to create and fill new

high-wage jobs in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2004 and amended in 2007, 2008, 2013, and 2016.

The 2013 amendment clarified the application of the high-wage jobs tax credit; defined "benefits" and "wages"; added the purpose section; clarified the \$12,000 limitation applied per job per qualifying period; limited the time for which a taxpayer can apply for approval of the credit to no later than 12 months following the end of the calendar year in which the taxpayer's final qualifying period closes; closed a loophole with respect to mergers, acquisitions, and reorganizations; changed the population threshold for rural/urban distinction from 40,000 to 60,000; clarified that the eligible employee must be employed in New Mexico; clarified that the goods or services sold must be produced in New Mexico; added a requirement that the taxpayer be certified by EDD as eligible for development training program assistance in order to be an "eligible employer"; clarified that a "new high-wage economic-based job" must be a "new" job and must be in New Mexico; extended the deadline to hire to July 1, 2020; increased the wages that must be paid to qualify after July 1, 2015 (from \$40,000 to \$60,000 in urban communities and from \$28,000 to \$40,000 in rural communities).

The amendment that took place during the 2016 2nd Special Legislative session changes the eligibility requirements to qualify for the credit and requires annual filing, whereas pre-amendment statute allowed filing for multiple qualifying periods at once. The amendment's primary purpose is to close gaps in the statute's language that allowed unintended recipients to receive the credit. The amendment also removed employee benefits from the calculation of the credit value.

Evaluation:

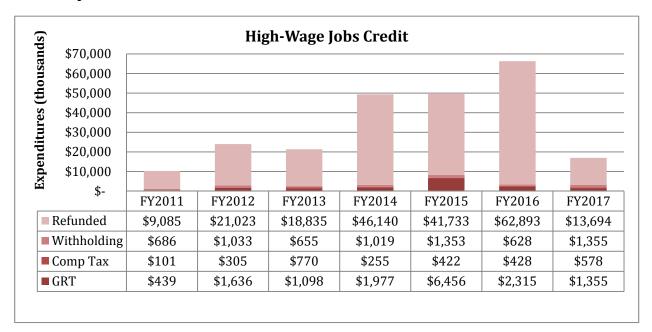
Because of the changes to the law that occurred in the 2013 session and the flurry of claims that preceded the effective date of those changes, TRD awarded significant amounts of HWJTC claims in FY2015 and FY2016. TRD economists, as part of the Consensus Revenue Estimating Group anticipated that significant HWJTC claims would be paid out during FY2015 and FY2016 because of the 2013 flurry of claims. TRD has been operating on the assumption that the law changes that went into effect in June 2013 would result in a reduction in HWITC claims once the backlog of claims and protests, which were filed days before the effective date of those changes, cleared legal and the courts. Based on recent legislative changes that took place during the 2016 2nd special legislative session, TRD estimated the amounts of HWITC claims to decrease significantly starting in FY2017to an annual base of \$15 million (new applications); the actual total claimed or paid amount in FY2017 did not deviate significantly from this estimate as shown through the fiscal impact chart below.

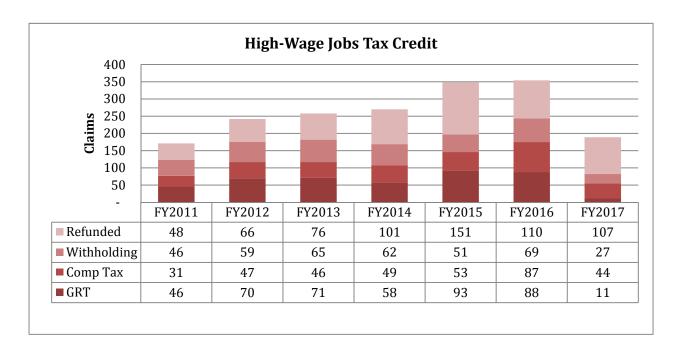
The GRT data included in the fiscal impact chart was obtained through a different source from GenTax. Hence, data for fiscal years between FY2013 and FY2017 has been updated to reflect the change.

Recommendations:

Tie eligible employer definition to criteria in JTIP program. Remove "penalty box" provisions that prevent application if employment drops. Reduce credit rate to top personal income tax rate (currently 4.9%). Extend the period of time for which credit can be claimed. Extent Sunset date to 2018.

Reliability Factor: $\[\]$ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.





HOSTING WORLD WIDE WEB SITES GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: Receipts from internet connected facilities that store data are deductible

from gross receipts. Despite the title, the statute indicates that any facility storing data and connected to the internet qualifies for this deduction, not

just web-hosting.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-56.2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize data centers to relocate in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 1998.

Evaluation: According to Data Center Map's website (<u>datacentermap.com</u>), there are

currently 6 colocation data centers operating in the state; 4 of them are located in Albuquerque, 1 in Santa Fe, and 1 in Taos. The majority of these companies started operations in New Mexico after the deduction became effective. Although a large multinational company has recently constructed a data center in the state, it is unlikely this deduction will affect the amount of

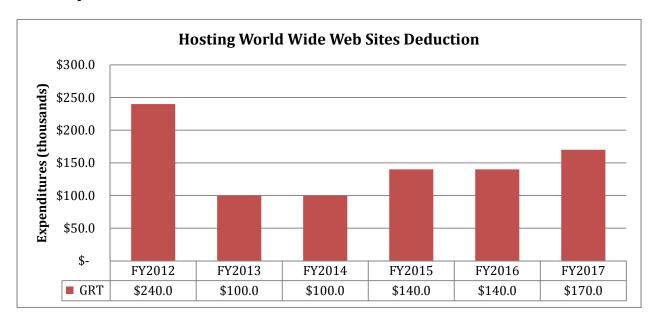
GRT the company pays.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 2 – The GRT deduction taken by all the companies filing under a NAICS code indicating a primary business of Data Processing. Hosting and Related

indicating a primary business of Data Processing, Hosting and Related Services was summed, and an assumption that one-third of this amount was affected because of this deduction. This estimate may have changed because

more than just colocation centers are applicable to the deduction.



HYBRID VEHICLE EXEMPTION FROM MVX

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Gasoline-electric hybrid vehicles with a range of at least 27.5 miles per

gallon, as certified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are eligible for a one-time exemption from the MVX at the time of issuance of the

original title.

The exemption was effective from July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2009.

Statutory Basis: 7-14-6(G) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the purchase of gasoline-electric hybrid vehicles

that reduce carbon emissions.

History: The section as originally enacted in 1988 and amended in 1990, 1994, 2004,

and 2007.

This subsection was enacted by the amendment in 2004.

Recommendations: Repeal. Exemption has expired.

qualifies for the exemption.

Fiscal Impact: None.

INVESTMENT CREDIT AGAINST GRT, COMPENSATING TAX, OR WITHHOLDING TAX

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: The investment credit is for equipment owned and introduced into New

Mexico for use by a taxpayer in a new or expanded manufacturing operation.

To be eligible for the credit, until June 30, 2020, the taxpayer must employ one full-time equivalent ("FTE") for every \$500,000 of qualified equipment claimed (up to \$30 million) and one FTE for every \$1 million of qualified equipment claimed (over \$30 million). After June 30, 2020, the taxpayer must employ one FTE for every \$100,000 of qualified equipment claimed.

The credit may be applied against a maximum of 85% of a taxpayer's gross receipts, compensating, and withholding tax liability, but may not be taken against any local option GRT imposed by a county or municipality.

The credit is refundable only up to \$250,000 if the taxpayer's available credit is less than \$500,000 and the sum of the taxpayer's gross receipts, compensating, and withholding tax due for the previous calendar year was less than 35% of the taxpayer's available credit but more than \$10,000.

There is no limit on how long the credit can be carried forward.

Statutory Basis: 7-9A-1 *et seq.* NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To provide a favorable tax climate for manufacturing businesses and to

promote increased employment in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 1979 and amended in 1983, 1986, 1990, 1991, 2001,

2002, 2003, and 2009.

Evaluation: EDD reports that due to this incentive, the state has attracted manufacturing

businesses from key industries such as oil and gas producers, breweries and

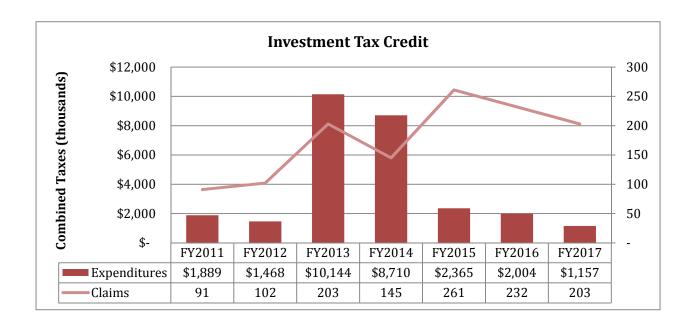
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Recommendations: Establish procedures for when the credit should be claimed. The credit

should be claimed in consecutive months once the company starts claiming

the credit.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT OR ADVISORY SERVICES GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: Receipts from fees received for performing management or investment

advisory services for a mutual fund, hedge fund, or real estate investment

trust, are deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-108 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize fund managers to move to New Mexico, thereby

increasing income tax revenues and disposable income that will circulate

through the State's economy.

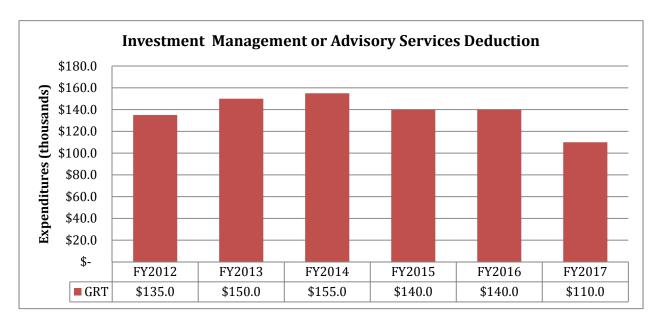
History: Originally enacted in 2007.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 📳

4 - TRD does not have any direct data to estimate this deduction. Because the services are deductible only when performed for specific types of entities, industry sector data cannot be used. This estimate should be understood to represent the estimated general magnitude of the deduction. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost.



JET FUEL FIFTY-FIVE PERCENT GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX DEDUCTION

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: From July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2017, 55% of the receipts from the sale

of fuel specially prepared and sold for use in turboprop or jet-type engines,

as determined by TRD, are deductible from gross receipts.

From July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2017, 55% of the value of the fuel specially prepared and sold for use in turboprop or jet-type engines as determined by TRD, may be deducted in computing compensating tax.

After June 30, 2017, the amount of the deductions is reduced to 40% of the

receipts from the sale or value of the fuel.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-83 and 7-9-84 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize routing of air traffic through New Mexico by

reducing the effective cost of refueling in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 1993 and amended in 2003, 2006, and 2011.

The 2011 amendment extended the 55% deduction until 2017.

Evaluation: According to the U.S. Dept. of Transportation, for the last several years, total

departures from the Albuquerque Sunport have been decreasing. Although the repeal of the Wright amendment resulted in a larger than usual decrease in FY2015, the decrease has been getting smaller, and is estimated at 2.2% for FY2017. As shown below, expenditures for jet fuel have been decreasing. This is generally attributed to lower fuel prices overall, as well as increasing efficiency in airliners. Therefore, it is unclear if this deduction is exerting

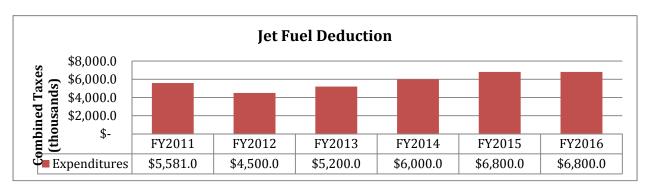
any influence on purchases of jet fuel in New Mexico.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: § 3 - EIA's published statewide expenditures on jet fuel were used for this

estimate. 80% is assumed to be subject to GRT at the statewide average tax

rate; the remainder is assumed to fall under compensating tax.



JOB MENTORSHIP CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Businesses hiring qualified students in a school-sanctioned, career-

preparation education program may claim a credit against PIT and CIT. Qualifying businesses must employ students attending an accredited New

Mexico secondary school full-time.

Credits are for 50% of the gross wages paid, subject to limitations. In no event shall a taxpayer claim a credit in excess of twelve thousand dollars

(\$12,000) in any taxable year.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.11 and 7-2A-17.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To encourage New Mexico businesses to hire youth participating in career

preparation education programs.

History: Originally enacted in 2003.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: While the purpose of the credit is positive in theory, it does not appear to be

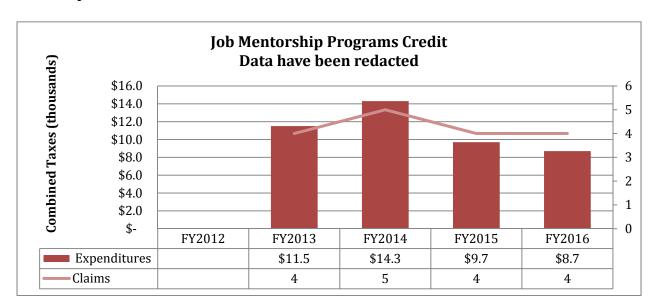
working as an incentive to businesses in their hiring of qualified students. It is worth making a concerted outreach effort to ensure that businesses are

aware of this credit.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

NOTE: Some of the data have been redacted due to fewer than 3 taxpayers

claiming the credit. FY2011 has been redacted.



LABORATORY PARTNERSHIP WITH SMALL BUSINESS CREDIT AGAINST GRT

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: A national laboratory that offers certain types of eligible assistance to

individual small businesses in New Mexico, and incurs expenses for doing so, may take a credit against the state portion of GRT of up to \$10,000 per business (\$20,000 per business in a rural area). The tax credits taken by an individual national laboratory shall not exceed \$2,400,000 in a given

calendar year.

Statutory Basis: 7-9E-1 *et seq.* NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To bring the technology and expertise of the national laboratories to small

businesses in New Mexico to promote economic development in the state,

with an emphasis on rural areas.

History: Originally enacted in 2000 and amended in 2007.

Evaluation: Sandia and Los Alamos National Laboratories, through New Mexico Small

Business Assistance ("NMSBA"), file an annual report with the appropriate legislative committee, documenting various program metrics. NMSBA reports that since inception, the program has assisted 2,495 small

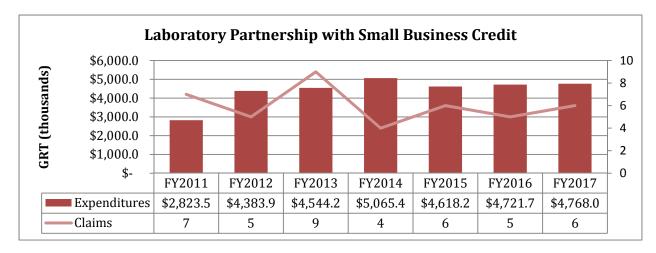
businesses with 4,863 jobs created and retained. The full report published in April of 2016 can be obtained through nmsbaprogram.org. Because the credit maximums are based on a calendar year, it would seem the cap was exceeded in FY 2014 as shown on the chart below. This is not the case as the

amounts are reported on a fiscal year basis.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

NOTE: We are not required to redact this information even though it relates to fewer than three taxpayers because the data is published independently by both taxpayers.



LOAN-RELATED COSTS GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Receipts from charges made in connection with the origination, making, or

assumption of a loan or from charges made for handling loan payments are

deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-61.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the costs of borrowing.

History: Originally enacted in 1981.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: TRD does not have any direct data to estimate this deduction.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINE FUEL GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX DEDUCTION

Category: **Highly Specialized Industry**

Receipts from the sale of fuel to a common carrier to be loaded or used in a **Brief Description:**

locomotive engine are deductible from gross receipts.

The value of fuel to be loaded or used by a common carrier in a locomotive

engine in a locomotive engine is deductible when computing the

compensating tax due.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-110.1 and 7-9-110.2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To encourage the construction, renovation, maintenance and operation of

railroad locomotive refueling facilities and other railroad capital

investments in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2011; became effective July 1, 2013 upon certification

by EDD that construction had commenced.

Evaluation: Construction of the Union Pacific ("UP") intermodal ramp and refueling

> facility in Santa Teresa was completed in December 2014. According to UP's annual report, the company has invested \$400 million in the 2,200-acre facility between 2011 and 2014 and \$153 million in its rail infrastructure in the State. The company reports they have created about 1,375 construction

> jobs over the 3.5 years construction period. As of June 30, 2017, UP reported creating 433 new permanents jobs (303 UP employees and 130 contractors). Burlington Norther Santa Fe ("BNSF") reports New Mexico operating revenue of \$1.4 billion for the period ending June 30, 2017 as it represents one of the largest private sector employers in the cities of Clovis, Belen, and Gallup. BNSF reports they have created 1,032 permanent jobs since the beginning of operations. According to the Border Industrial

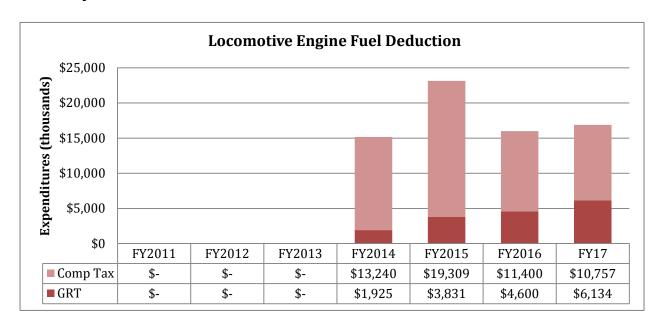
> Association, Santa Teresa continues to show robust economic growth thanks to the ripple effect associated with increase in economic activity in the

region.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 2 - The amount of this deduction is separately reported directly by taxpayers to EDD. While there was some estimation in the taxpayer's reports, no

estimation is required by TRD.



LOTTERY RETAILER RECEIPTS GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts of a lottery game retailer from selling New Mexico lottery tickets

are deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-87 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the cost of lottery tickets in an effort to increase

lottery ticket sales, a portion of which goes to the Lottery Scholarship

Program.

History: Originally enacted in 1995.

Evaluation: It is not clear that the deduction is having its intended effect as indicated by

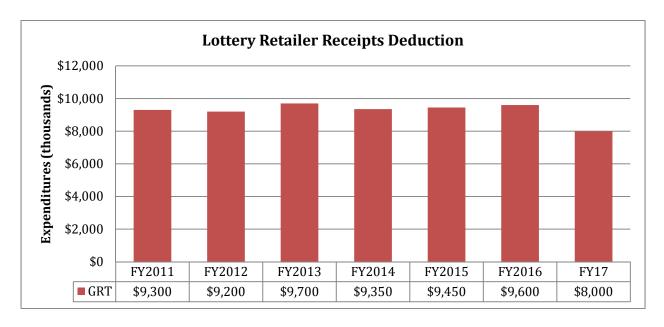
the reduced use of the deduction in 2017.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 2 – The cost of this deduction was estimated using gross revenues published

by the New Mexico Lottery through their annual reports, multiplied by the

statewide average GRT rate for each year.



LOW- AND MIDDLE-INCOME TAXPAYERS EXEMPTION FROM PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: An individual may claim an exemption equal to the number of exemptions

claimed on their federal return multiplied by \$2,500. The amount of the

exemption is deducted from their net income.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-5.8 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To provide assistance to that segment of the population whose income is

relatively low by reducing their tax liability.

History: Originally enacted in 2005 and amended in 2007.

The 2007 amendment increased the adjusted gross income threshold

amounts for taxpayers eligible for the exemption.

Evaluation: More than \$20 million has remained in the pockets of taxpayers throughout

the state. Given that the savings rate among this population is relatively low, there is a high likelihood that this money is circulating throughout the New

Mexico economy.

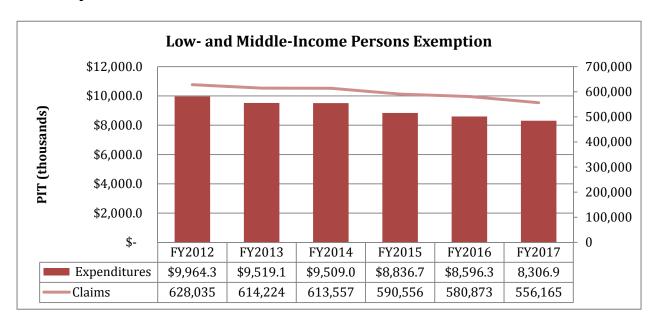
Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 – The exemption amounts for each taxpayer claiming this exemption were

computed, making this data more reliable than in past years when an average rate for all taxpayers was used. Differences between annual

expenditure reports are attributed to updates in GenTax as tax filers provide

late and/or amended returns.



LOW-INCOME COMPREHENSIVE TAX REBATE AND PROPERTY TAX REBATE AGAINST PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: This expenditure consists of two separate statutory provisions. The low-

income comprehensive tax rebate ("LICTR") is a partial offset for state and local sales taxes paid by low income taxpayers. It may be claimed by taxpayers with a modified gross income of less than \$22,000. The rebate amount is also dependent upon modified gross income as well as the number of exemptions claimed (it varies between \$10 and \$450).

The low-income property tax rebate is a partial offset for property taxes paid by low income residents. It may be claimed by individuals with:

(1) a principal place of residence in a county that has enacted an ordinance authorizing the rebate (to date, only Los Alamos and Santa Fe Counties have enacted the required ordinances), and

(2) modified gross income of less than \$24,000.

This rebate is calculated as a percentage of the taxpayer's property tax liability; the percentage depends upon the taxpayer's modified gross income. The rebate amount cannot exceed \$350 or \$175 if married filing separately.

The State is reimbursed annually by the authorizing county for any low-income property tax rebates granted under this section¹⁰.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-14(A) and 7-2-14.3 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To ease the consumption tax burden for low-income taxpayers and to offset

property taxes for those whose income is insufficient to cover their property

taxes so that they are not forced out of their homes.

History: LICTR was originally enacted in 1972 and amended in 1973, 1974, 1975,

1977, 1978, 1981, 1986, 1987, 1990, 1992, 1994, and 1998. The low-income property tax rebate was originally enacted in 1994, and amended in 1997,

and 2003.

Evaluation: It is important to combine different strategies to motivate successful

transition out of poverty.

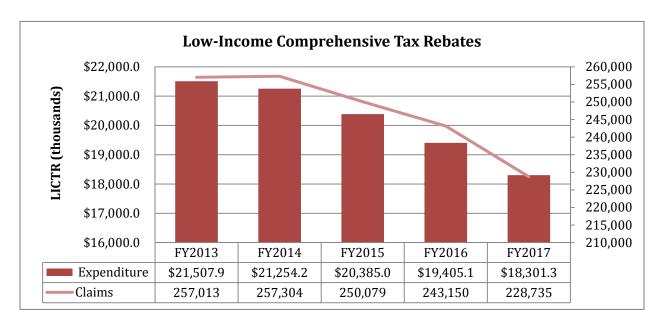
These tax programs reduce the fiscal impact of taxes previously paid. However, the payout of the benefit is inversely related to the taxpayers' probable expense. If the goal of the program is to partially offset a low-income taxpayer's consumption tax (GRT) or property tax liability, then the

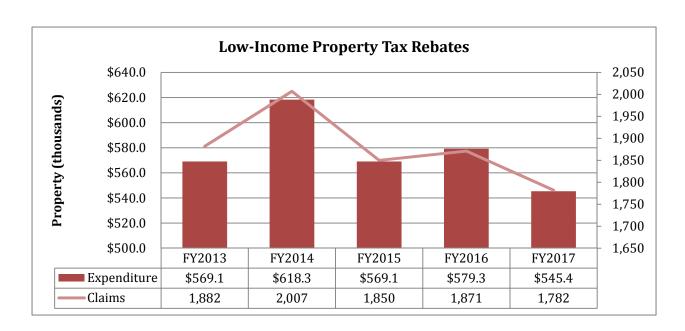
¹⁰ Section 7-2-14.3 NMSA 1978

amount of the benefit should more closely align to the probable expense. Alternatively, the benefit can be uniformly apportioned, predicated upon the probable expense that all taxpayers would incur. Current statute is ambiguous regarding its intent.

To date, tax reform discussions have focused more on revenue collection. However, a holistic approach will require consideration of tax expenditures, and the efficacy of those programs.

Recommendations: None.





MEDICAL AND HEALTH CARE SERVICES GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from payments by the U.S. government or any agency thereof for

Medicare services received by certain medical practitioners and medical-related facilities, receipts of medical doctors and osteopathic physicians from payments by a third-party administrator of the federal TRICARE program, and receipts of a medical doctor or osteopathic physician from payments by or on behalf of the Indian Health Service of the U.S. Department of Health and HSD for the provision of medical and other health services to

covered beneficiaries are deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-77.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to retain healthcare practitioners in the state. According to DOH

and the Indian Affairs Department, the deduction would make it more profitable for medical providers to serve Native American populations in New Mexico as those communities face difficulties in recruiting health care

practitioners due to below-average salaries.

History: Originally enacted in 1998, amended in 2000, 2003, 2007, 2014, and 2016.

Evaluation: Because medical services of this type are typically reimbursed based on pre-

established rate schedules, health care providers would likely not be able to recoup the gross receipts tax, even if their services were subject to GRT.

Likewise, the out-of-pocket portion of the payment is also predetermined,

leaving the provider unable to pass the burden of the tax on to the

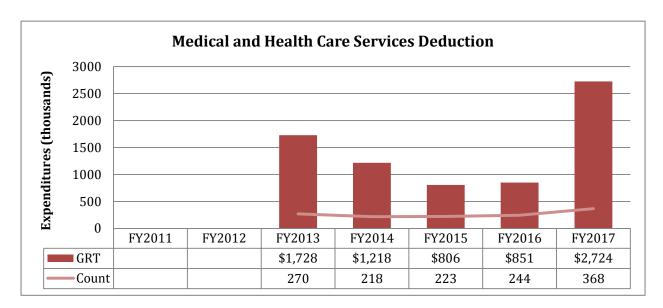
consumer. Unlike in previous versions of this report, this version shows the department was able to obtain the amount of deductions as reported by taxpayers for fiscal years 2015 and 2016. No data are available prior to FY

2015 using this methodology.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: \$\begin{aligned} 1 - This deduction is separately reported. No estimation is required, making

this deduction more reliable than in previous years when the department used data from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services in combination with the statewide average tax rate to calculate the cost of the deduction.



MEDICAL CARE SAVINGS ACCOUNT **EXEMPTION FROM PIT**

Citizen Benefits Category:

Brief Description: The interest earned on medical care savings accounts and money

> reimbursed to an employee for eligible medical expenses from those accounts or money advanced to the employee by the employer for eligible

medical expenses are exempt from PIT.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-5.6 NMSA 1978

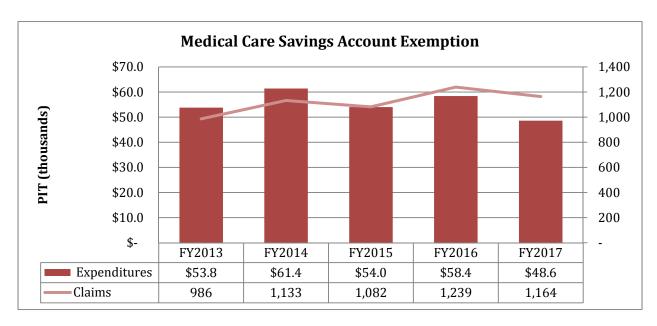
To incentivize the investment in medical care savings accounts. **Intended Purpose:**

History: Originally enacted in 1995.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 – The exemption amounts for each taxpayer claiming this exemption were computed, making this data more reliable than in past years when an average rate for all taxpayers was used. Differences between annual expenditure reports are attributed to updates in GenTax as tax filers provide late and/or amended returns.



MICROBREWER BEER AND SMALL WINERIES RATE DIFFERENTIAL FROM LIQUOR EXCISE TAX

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Beginning in 2013, beer manufactured or produced by a microbrewer and

sold in this state is taxed at a rate of 0.08 per gallon on the first 10,000 gallons sold and 0.28 per gallon on all gallons sold more than 10,000 gallons but fewer than 15,000 gallons. For all gallons sold 15,000 or more,

the tax rate is \$0.41 per gallon.

Until 2013, beer manufactured or produced by a microbrewer and sold in this state was taxed at a rate of \$0.08 per gallon; beer produced by larger

brewers was taxed at \$0.41 per gallon.

Beginning in 2013, a tax of \$0.10 per liter on the first 80,000 liters sold, \$0.20 per liter on all liters sold over 80,000 liters but not over 950,000 liters, and \$0.30 per liter on each liter sold over 950,000 liters but not 1.5 million liters, is imposed on wine manufactured or produced by a small winegrower and sold in New Mexico; larger winegrowers are subject to an excise tax of \$0.45 per liter tax.

Prior to 2013, a tax of \$0.10 per liter on the first 80,000 liters sold and \$0.20 per liter on all liters sold over 80,000 liters but less than 950,000 liters, was imposed on wine manufactured or produced by a small winegrower and sold in New Mexico while larger winegrowers were subject to an excise tax of \$0.45 per liter tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-17-5(A)(5) and 7-17-5(A)(6) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to stimulate the microbrewery and small winery industry in

New Mexico by reducing their tax expense.

History: Originally enacted in 1993 and amended in 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 2000,

2000 (2nd Special Session), 2008, and 2013.

The 2013 amendment decreased the tax rate on gallons of beer

manufactured or produced by a microbrewer and sold between 10,000 and 15,000 barrels and reduced the tax rate on liters wine sold between 950,000

and 1.5 million.

Evaluation: Preliminary indicators, with respect to microbreweries and small wineries,

suggests that this credit has been effective. According to information presented to the Legislature by the New Mexico Microbrewers Guild, the number of microbreweries in New Mexico has increased from 23 (with 33

locations) in 2013 to an anticipated 55 (with 70 locations) by 2016.

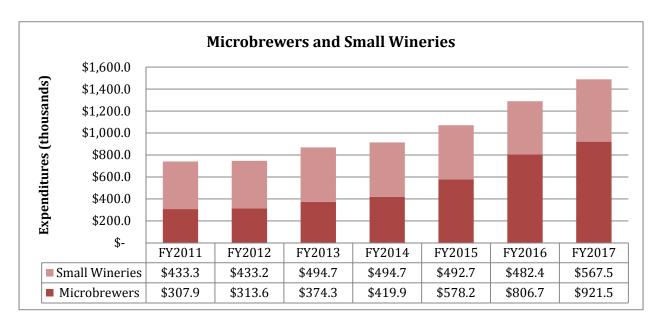
Similarly, the Guild reports that brewery expansions resulted in \$14 million in capital investment in New Mexico in 2015. In 2017 the number of microbrewery locations reported by the Guild has further increased to 82,

and qualifying amounts of beer and wine volumes have increased by an additional 14-17 percent over FY 2016.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 - Qualifying beer and wine production is separately reported. No

estimation is required.



MILITARY CONSTRUCTION SERVICES GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from military construction services provided at New Mexico

military installations located in Curry County or Otero County to implement special operations mission transition projects pursuant to contracts entered into with the United States Department of Defense are deductible from gross

receipts.

The deduction provided in this section applies to reporting periods

beginning July 1, 2007 and ending December 31, 2010.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-106 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the U.S. Department of Defense to implement -

special operations mission transition projects at U.S. Air Force bases located

in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2007 through report periods ending December 31,

2010.

Evaluation: No taxpayer may take this deduction since it is not available for reporting

periods after December 31, 2010.

Recommendations: Remove statutory language from NMSA to promote statute clarity. The

statute of limitations for taxpayers to amend returns for periods up to and

including December 2010 has expired.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - Since FY2011, no estimation is needed since the deduction is no longer

available.

Fiscal Impact: None.

MILITARY TRANSFORMATIONAL ACQUISITION PROGRAMS GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from military transformational acquisition programs performing

research and development and test and evaluation services at New Mexico major range and test facility bases are deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-94 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the location of military transformational

acquisition programs at U.S. Air Force bases in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2005 with an expiration date of June 30, 2008.

Amended in 2006 to extend the expiration date to June 30, 2016.

Amended in 2015 to extend the expiration date to June 30, 2025.

Evaluation: No taxpayers have claimed this deduction, and the Department is challenged

to estimate its future use. Obtaining information about federal acquisitions

is extremely arduous; New Mexico ranges, test facilities and bases are supported by contracting offices across the United States. It is very possible

that non-resident taxpayers are unaware of this deduction, and New Mexico resident taxpayers have not participated in qualifying procurement

programs.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 – This deduction is separately reported.

Fiscal Impact: No taxpayers have claimed this deduction.

NATURAL GAS EXEMPTION FROM OIL AND GAS SEVERANCE TAX

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Exempts natural gas that comes from a production restoration project for

the first ten years after the restoration of production when the annual average price of WTI crude oil was less than \$24 per barrel. Note the statute specifies a non-standard calendar of June through May when calculating the

average annual price.

Statutory Basis: 7-29-4(B)(1) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the development of natural gas from a production

restoration project when prices are low.

History: Originally enacted in 1980 and amended in 1987, 1989, 1992, 1995, 1999,

and 2005.

Evaluation: No wells have qualified for this incentive in the past six years due to the

price of WTI crude oil exceeding \$24 per barrel (exemption threshold). While it is unknown whether the price of WTI crude oil will drop below \$24

per barrel, the production and market for natural gas has changed significantly during the history of this exemption. Enhanced extraction techniques have increased production and improved cost efficiencies. Natural gas exceeded coal in 2016 as the majority fuel for electricity generation in the United States. Other non-tax incentives such as infrastructure to transport natural gas to markets may be stronger

determinants of production.

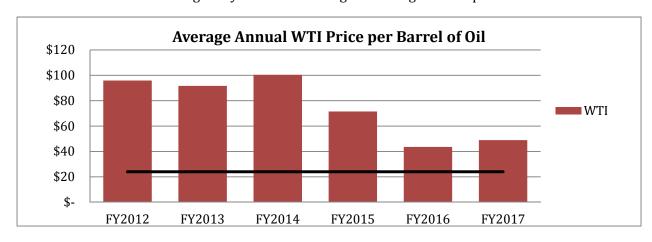
Recommendations: A review of this and other extraction tax expenditures should be initiated to

determine intended purpose and relevance in current market climate.

Reliability Factor: 1 – There have been no expenditures resulting from this exemption.

Fiscal Impact: None. Note the fiscal year represents a non-standard calendar of June

through May when calculating the average annual price.



NATURAL GAS RATE DIFFERENTIAL FROM OIL AND GAS EMERGENCY SCHOOL TAX

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: The emergency school tax rate on natural gas is 4%, unless the product is

taxed pursuant to a different rate as provided in statute.

When the average annual taxable value of natural gas was equal to or less than \$1.15 per thousand cubic feet in the previous calendar year, the tax rate

on natural gas from a stripper well property is 2%.

When the average annual taxable value of natural gas was greater than \$1.15 per thousand cubic feet but not more than \$1.35 per thousand cubic feet in the previous calendar year, the tax rate on natural gas from a stripper well

property is 3%.

Statutory Basis: 7-31-4(A)(6) and 7-31-4(A)(7) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize high-cost, low-yield production when prices are

low.

History: The section was originally enacted in 1959 and amended in 1963, 1983,

1993, 1999, and 2005.

Evaluation: Data reported in ONGARD were used to determine the average taxable value

of natural gas. No wells qualified for this rate differential for the time periods covered by this report due to that value exceeding \$1.35 per MCF (rate differential threshold). While it is unknown whether the price of natural gas will drop below \$1.35 per MCF, the production and market for natural gas has changed significantly during the history of this rate

differential. Enhanced extraction techniques have increased production and improved cost efficiencies. Natural gas exceeded coal in 2016 as the majority fuel for electricity generation in the United States. Other non-tax incentives such as infrastructure to transport natural gas to markets may be

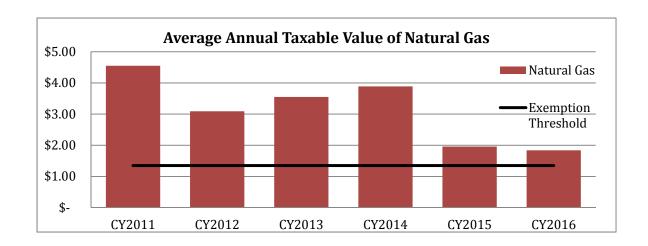
stronger determinants of production.

Recommendations: A review of this and other extraction tax expenditures should be initiated to

determine intended purpose and relevance in current market climate.

Reliability Factor: 1 - There have been no expenditures resulting from this rate differential.

Fiscal Impact: None.



NATURAL GAS RATE DIFFERENTIAL FROM OIL AND GAS SEVERANCE TAX

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: The oil and gas severance tax rate on natural gas is 3.75% unless the product

is taxed pursuant to a different rate as provided in statute.

When the average annual price of WTI crude oil was less than \$24 per barrel in the previous year, the tax rate on natural gas from a well workover project is 2.45%. Note the statute specifies a non-standard calendar of June

through May when calculating this average annual price.

When the average annual taxable value of natural gas was equal to or less than \$1.15 per thousand cubic feet in the previous calendar year, the tax rate

on natural gas from a stripper well property is 1.875%.

When the average annual taxable value of natural gas was greater than \$1.15 per thousand cubic feet but not more than \$1.35 per thousand cubic feet in the previous calendar year, the tax rate on natural gas from a stripper well

property is 2.8175%.

Statutory Basis: 7-29-4(A)(4), 7-29-4(A)(6), and 7-29-4(A)(7) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize high-cost, low-yield production when prices are

low.

History: The section was originally enacted in 1980 and amended in 1987, 1989,

1992, 1995, 1999, and 2005.

Evaluation: No wells have qualified for this incentive for the time periods covered by

this report due to the price of WTI crude oil exceeding \$24 per barrel. Also, the taxable value of natural gas (as reported by the ONGARD system) has exceeded \$1.35 per MCF (rate differential threshold). While it is unknown whether the price of natural gas will drop below \$1.35 per MCF or if WTI crude oil will drop below \$24 per barrel, the production and market for natural gas has changed significantly during the history of this rate

differential. Enhanced extraction techniques have increased production and

improved cost efficiencies. Natural gas exceeded coal in 2016 as the majority fuel for electricity generation in the United States. Other non-tax incentives such as infrastructure to transport natural gas to markets may be

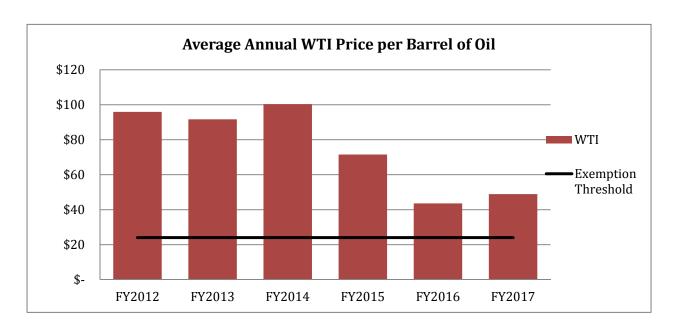
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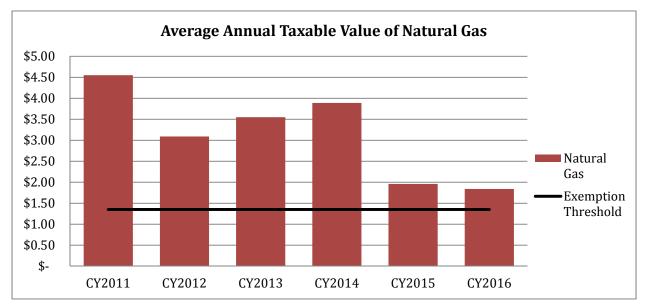
Recommendations: A review of this and other extraction tax expenditures should be initiated to

determine intended purpose and relevance in current market climate.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - There were no expenditures resulting from this rate differential.

Fiscal Impact: None. Note the fiscal year in the first graph represents a non-standard calendar of June through May when calculating the average annual price.





NEWSPAPER SALES GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from selling newspapers, except from selling advertising space, are

deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-64 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize growth and operations of newspaper companies

in the state as the final sale of newspapers to the consumer is taxed.

History: Originally enacted in 1969.

Evaluation: According to the nationwide daily newspaper circulation data through 2016,

year-over-year circulation continues to decrease. The average annual decrease in circulation for daily newspapers nationwide from 2011 to 2016

is about 5%. With the proliferation of digital mobile devices, this

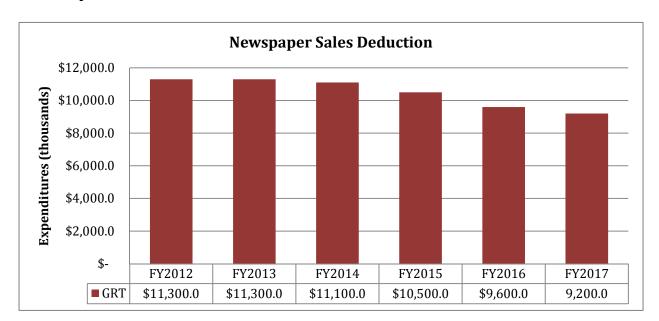
expenditure might not be enough to counter the market shift from print to

electronic media.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 8

3 - The News Media Alliance, formerly called the Newspaper Association of America, collects national annual newspaper paid circulation data. More recent data for prior years has led to the estimates for FY12 through FY16 to be revised down compared to the 2016 TER. The New Mexico estimate is based on the national data and New Mexico's population in proportion to that of the United States. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost.



NEW MEXICO NATIONAL GUARD MEMBER PREMIUMS PAID FOR GROUP LIFE INSURANCE EXEMPTION FROM PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Payment for a service members' group life insurance premium from the

National Guard Service Member's Life Insurance Reimbursement Fund are

exempt from PIT.

7-2-5.10 NMSA 1978 **Statutory Basis:**

Intended Purpose: To equalize the premiums of National Guard members with private

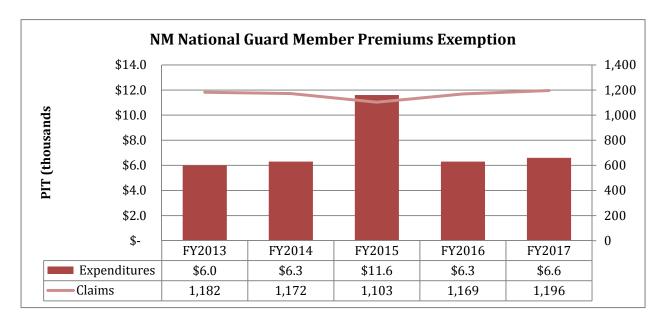
premium plans.

History: Originally enacted in 2006.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 - The exemption amounts for each taxpayer claiming this exemption were computed, making this data more reliable than in past years when an average rate for all taxpayers was used. Differences between annual expenditure reports are attributed to updates in GenTax as tax filers provide late and/or amended returns.



NONATHLETIC SPECIAL EVENT AT NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Receipts from admissions to nonathletic special events held at the Pan

American Center at New Mexico State University ("NMSU") are deductible

from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-104 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to bring nonathletic events to NMSU rather than having them go

to El Paso, Texas.

History: Originally enacted in 2007 with an expiration of June 30, 2012.

Amended in 2012 to extend the expiration to June 30, 2017.

Amended in 2017 to extend the expiration to June 30, 2022.

Evaluation: Gross ticket sale data provided directly by NMSU reflects a cyclical trend.

According to NMSU, the vast majority of nonathletic events held at the Pan American Center would otherwise be held in various venues located in El

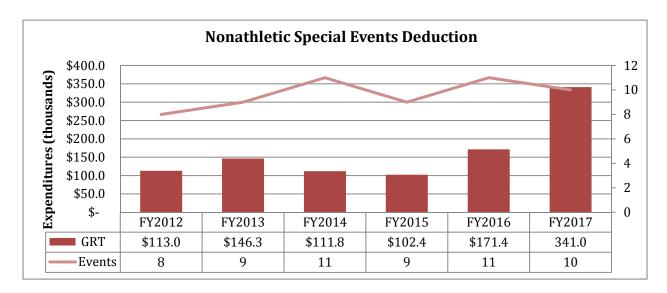
Paso if it was not for the incentive generated by this deduction.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 🙎 3 – Gross ticket sale figures provided by NMSU's Auxiliary Business Support

Office were used to estimate the cost of this deduction. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to

estimate the cost.



NONPROFIT ELDERLY CARE FACILITY EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Receipts of nonprofit entities from the operation of facilities designed and

used for providing accommodations for retired elderly persons are exempt

from GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-16 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the cost of caring for retired elderly persons.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1970 and 1975.

Evaluation: According to the most recent annual report from HSD (2015) of the 69

nursing facilities ("NFs") operating in the state as of June 30, 2105, 65 were

privately owned. The number of privately owned NFs did not change

between 2014 and 2015 which could mean the exemption is not significant enough to fulfill its presumable intended purpose. However, it is difficult to evaluate the effectiveness of this expenditure without considering that operating expenses per-bed for privately-owned NFs continue to increase year-over-year, as the costs of Medicaid increase as well due to higher

demand.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Purchases and receipts of an organization that was granted a tax exemption

under Section 501(c)(3) or Section 501(c)(6) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code are exempt from GRT so long as the receipts are not derived from an unrelated trade or business as defined in Section 513 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code. 501(c)(3) organizations comprise the most commonly understood type of nonprofit entities; health care services, charities, churches, universities, scientific organizations, animal shelters, and others. 501(c)(6) organizations consist of business leagues and associations, chambers of commerce, boards of trade, and other similar organizations. With respect to both types of entities, benefit (i.e. profits) cannot inure to

any member, owner, director or officer.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-29 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to eliminate the GRT burden on organizations that contribute to

the overall social and economic welfare of their communities.

History: The exemption from GRT was originally enacted in 1970 and amended in

1983, 1988, and 1990.

The exemption from compensating tax was originally enacted in 1969 and

amended in 1970, 1983, and 1990.

Evaluation: To increase precision and clarity, the Compensating Tax exemption for non-

profits under 7-9-15 was de-coupled from this expenditure because the non-profit GRT exemption under 7-9-29 is an entity-type exemption for all gross receipts a non-profit earns from selling goods or services barring income

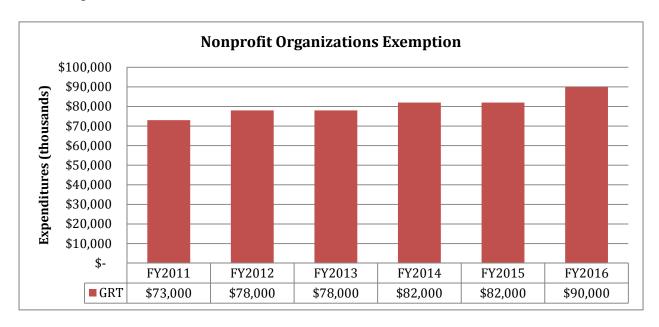
contribution.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 4 - There are no direct data to estimate this exemption. Prior to FY16, TRD considered data from the National Center for Charitable Statistics which

reported in August 2015 that of the 7,063 registered public charities and private foundations, the state received about \$4 billion in total revenues over the preceding 24 months. TRD assumed that 50% of those would have been otherwise taxable gross receipts, resulting in an estimated deduction of about \$2.4 billion or lost revenue of about \$16.4 million over two years. According to GuideStar.org—a self-reporting data-collection website—there are about 2,802 nonprofit organizations registered in New Mexico. Of those, the average annual gross income reported in tax year 2015 obtained through financial information included in Form 990 is about \$1.1 million. Further, research of public records that TRD performed during the 2016 2nd Special Session yielded the cost of this deduction to the general fund is of

about \$68.4 million, based solely on publicly reported gross revenue numbers from Christus St. Vincent's and Presbyterian's 2013 IRS Forms 990.



NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FUNDRAISERS GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Organizations exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c) of the

Internal Revenue Code may deduct the receipts from two fund-raising events each calendar year. This deduction does not apply to 501(c)(3) organizations, as their receipts are exempt under Section 7-9-29 NMSA 1978. It does apply to the myriad of other 501(c) organizations listed in the Internal Revenue Code, such as civic leagues (501(c)(4)), labor, agricultural and horticultural organizations (501(c)(5)), social, and recreational clubs (501(c)(7)), and fraternal associations (501(c)(8)). It should be noted that contributions to these organizations are not gross receipts. Rather, this deduction applies to fundraising events, in which these organizations provide a good or service in order to generate funding for their missions.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-85 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to allow these organizations to conduct relatively isolated

fundraising events to support their missions without incurring GRT

obligations.

History: Originally enacted in 1994.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: Clarify the law by excluding 501(c)(6) organizations that carry on chamber

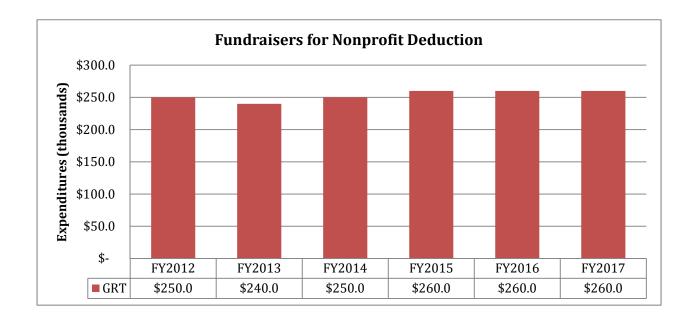
of commerce, visitor bureau and convention bureau functions of the organization. This deduction specifically excludes 501(c)(3) organizations because their receipts are already exempt under Section 7-9-29 NMSA 1978. However, it does not exclude those 501(c)(6) organizations that conduct the above mention functions, whose receipts are also exempt under Section 7-9-

29 NMSA 1978.

Reliability Factor:

4 - The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) releases data for many nonprofits exempt from federal income tax who file an annual Form 990 Return. The National Center for Charitable Statistics has assembled IRS Form 990 data to report aggregate statistics by state. State level data is available for total revenue and total assets by nonprofits in each of the IRS subsections for 501(c)s. While fundraising event revenue is reported on IRS Form 990 returns, this detail is only aggregated at the national level. Calculating the national estimates of revenue from fundraising events as a percentage of total revenues, these estimates are applied to state level total revenue for 501(c) organizations listed in statute. The national estimates range from less than 1% to 3% depending on the type of nonprofit. In the 2016 TER, this percentage was assumed to be 5% and therefore the yearly estimates show a decrease as compared to the 2016 TER. The total estimated exemption amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each

year to estimate the cost.



OFFICIATING AT NEW MEXICO ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION EVENTS EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Receipts from refereeing, umpiring, scoring, or other officiating at school

events sanctioned by the New Mexico Activities Association are exempt from

GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-41.4 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the cost to public education institutions that provide

athletic opportunities to their students.

History: Originally enacted in 2009.

Evaluation: This exemption reduces the burden on the taxpayer, as the officials would

otherwise be required to register and file as GRT taxpayers for a relatively

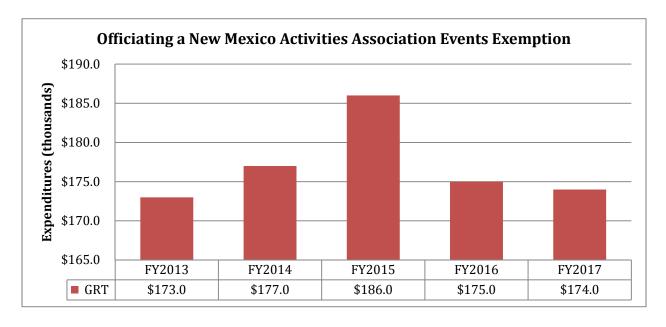
small amount of receipts.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 2 4 - Pay scl

4 - Pay schedules published by the New Mexico Activities Association are used to estimate the impact of this exemption with the trend based on the CREG annual growth rates for GRT. Because GRT exemptions are not reported at all, a more accurate estimation is problematic. Due to a lack of direct data and further relying on trend factors for overall state GRT, the

reliability factor has been downgraded to 4.



OIL AND OTHER LIQUID HYDROCARBONS EXEMPTION FROM OIL AND GAS SEVERANCE TAX

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Exempts oil and other liquid hydrocarbons that come from a production

restoration project for the first ten years after the restoration of production when the annual average price of WTI crude oil was less than \$24 per barrel. Note the statute specifies a non-standard calendar of June through May

when calculating the average annual price.

Statutory Basis: 7-29-4(B)(2) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the development of oil and other liquid

hydrocarbon from a production restoration project when prices are low.

History: Originally enacted in 1980 and amended in 1987, 1989, and 1992, 1995,

1999, and 2005.

Evaluation: This exemption provides incentive for well restoration activity. No wells

have qualified for this incentive in the past few years due to the price of WTI $\,$

crude oil exceeding \$24 per barrel (exemption threshold). While it is

unknown whether the price of WTI crude oil will drop below \$24 per barrel, the production of oil has changed significantly during the history of this exemption. Enhanced extraction techniques have increased production and

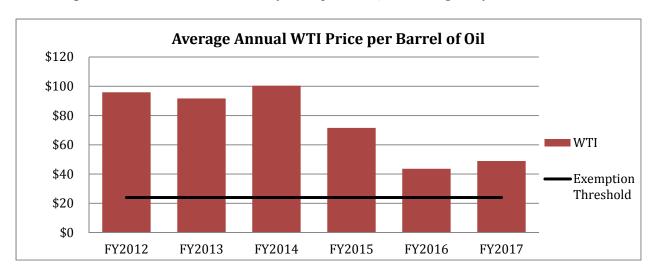
improved cost efficiencies.

Recommendations: A review of this and other extraction tax expenditures should be initiated to

determine intended purpose and relevance in current market climate.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - There are no expenditures resulting from this exemption.

Fiscal Impact: None. Note that the fiscal year represents June through May.



OIL AND OTHER LIQUID HYDROCARBONS RATE DIFFERENTIAL FROM OIL AND GAS EMERGENCY SCHOOL TAX

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: The emergency school tax on oil and other liquid hydrocarbons is 3.15%

unless the product is taxed pursuant to a different rate as provided in

statute.

When the average annual taxable value of oil was equal to or less than \$15 per barrel in the calendar year preceding July 1 of the fiscal year in which the tax rate is imposed, the tax rate on oil and other liquid hydrocarbons

that are removed from a stripper well is 1.58%.

When the average annual taxable value of oil in the previous calendar year was greater than \$15 per barrel but not greater than \$18 per barrel, the tax rate on oil and other liquid hydrocarbons that are removed from a stripper

well is 2.36%.

Statutory Basis: 7-31-4(A)(4) and 7-31-4(A)(5) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the removal of oil and other liquid hydrocarbon

from a stripper well when prices are low.

History: Originally enacted in 1959 and amended in 1963, 1983, 1993, 1999, and

2005.

Evaluation: This exemption provides incentive for well restoration activity. No wells

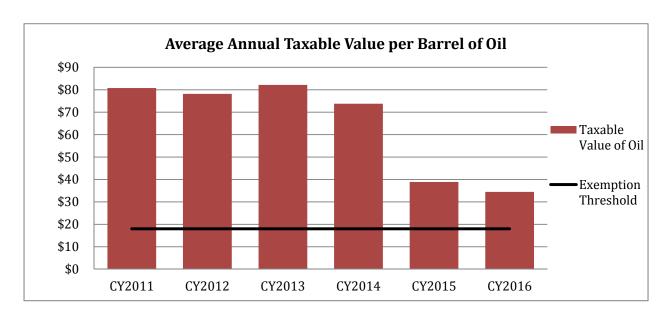
have qualified for this incentive in the past few years due to the price of WTI crude oil exceeding \$18 per barrel (rate differential threshold). While it is unknown whether the average annual taxable value of oil will drop below \$18 per barrel, the production of oil has changed significantly during the history of this exemption. Enhanced extraction techniques have increased

production and improved cost efficiencies.

Recommendations: A review of this and other extraction tax expenditures should be initiated to

determine intended purpose and relevance in current market climate.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - There are no expenditures resulting from this rate differential provision.



OIL AND OTHER LIQUID HYDROCARBONS RATE DIFFERENTIAL FROM OIL AND GAS SEVERANCE TAX RATE

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: The oil and gas severance tax rate on oil and other liquid hydrocarbons is

3.75% unless the product is taxed pursuant to a different rate as provided in

statute.

When the average annual price of WTI crude oil was less than \$28 per barrel in the previous year, the tax rate on oil and other liquid hydrocarbons from a qualified enhanced recovery project is 1.875%. Note the statute specifies a non-standard calendar of June through May when calculating the average

WTI price.

When the average annual price of WTI crude oil was less than \$24 per barrel in the previous year, the tax rate on oil and other liquid hydrocarbons from a well workover project is 2.45%. Note the statute specifies a non-standard calendar of June through May when calculating the average WTI price.

When the average annual taxable value of oil was equal to or less than \$15 per barrel in the previous calendar year, the tax rate on oil and other liquid

hydrocarbons from a stripper well property is 1.875%.

When the average annual taxable value of oil was greater than \$15 per barrel but not more than \$18 per barrel in the previous calendar year, the tax rate on oil and other liquid hydrocarbons from a stripper well property

is 2.8125%.

Statutory Basis: 7-29-4(A)(3), 7-29-4(A)(5), 7-29-4(A)(8), and 7-29-4(A)(9) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize high cost production when prices are low.

History: Originally enacted in 1980 and amended in 1987, 1989, 1992, 1995, 1999,

and 2005.

Evaluation: No wells have qualified for this incentive in the past few years due to the

price of WTI crude oil exceeding \$28 per barrel and the average annual taxable value of oil exceeding \$15 per barrel (rate differential thresholds). While it is unknown whether the average annual taxable value of oil will drop below \$18 per barrel or WTI average annual prices will be less than \$28 per barrel, the production of oil has changed significantly during the history of this exemption. Enhanced extraction techniques have increased

production and improved cost efficiencies.

Recommendations: A review of this and other extraction tax expenditures should be initiated to

determine intended purpose and relevance in current market climate.

 $\textbf{Reliability Factor:} \quad \underline{\hat{\textbf{g}}} \ 1 \text{ - There are no expenditures resulting from this rate differential provision.}$

Fiscal Impact: None. Refer to chart for Oil and Other Liquid Hydrocarbons Exemption Oil

and Gas Severance Tax, and Oil and Other Liquid Hydrocarbons Rate

Differential from Oil and Gas Emergency School Tax.

ORGAN DONATION DEDUCTION FROM PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: A taxpayer may claim a deduction from net income in an amount not to

exceed \$10,000 of organ donation-related expenses, including lost wages, lodging expenses and travel expenses, incurred during the taxable year by the taxpayer or the taxpayer's dependent as a result of the taxpayer's or dependent's donation of a human organ to another person for transfer of

that human organ to the body of another person.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-36 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To help remove obstacles that prevent people from making living organ

donations by reducing the associated financial losses.

History: Originally enacted in 2005.

Evaluation: While factors like blood type serve as an unchangeable barrier to donating

organs, for those who are matches, this credit helps to offset related

expenses.

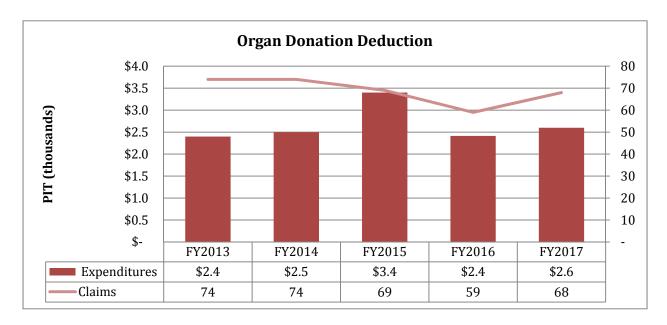
Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 – The deduction amounts for each taxpayer claiming this deduction were

computed, making this data more reliable than in past years, when an average rate for all taxpayers was used. Differences between annual

expenditure reports are attributed to updates in \mbox{GenTax} as tax filers provide

late and/or amended returns.



PENALTY PURSUANT TO SECTION 7-1-71.2 NMSA 1978 CREDIT AGAINST GRT, COMPENSATING TAX AND WITHHOLDING TAX

Category: Health Care

Brief Description: Prior to July 1, 2010, taxpayers who paid the double local option penalty in

effect prior to July 1, 2007— imposed for incorrectly reporting food and medical GRT deductions created in 2004—could claim this credit. The credit

is equal to the amount of the penalty paid.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-105 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To refund penalties paid for incorrectly reporting the food deduction ¹¹ or

the health care practitioner services deduction¹².

History: Originally enacted in 2007.

Evaluation: This credit has no current effect as all claims were submitted prior to July 1,

2010.

Recommendations: Repeal. The credit has not been available since July 1, 2010.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

Fiscal Impact: No possible fiscal impact.

¹¹ Section 7-9-92 NMSA 1978

¹² Section 7-9-93 NMSA 1978

PERSONS ONE HUNDRED AND OLDER EXEMPTION FROM PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: The income of an individual who is (1) a natural person, (2) one hundred

years of age or older, and (3) not a dependent of another individual is

exempt from PIT.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-5.7 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To eliminate the income of aged persons from the tax base and reduce the

administrative and financial burden on this aging population.

History: Originally enacted in 2002.

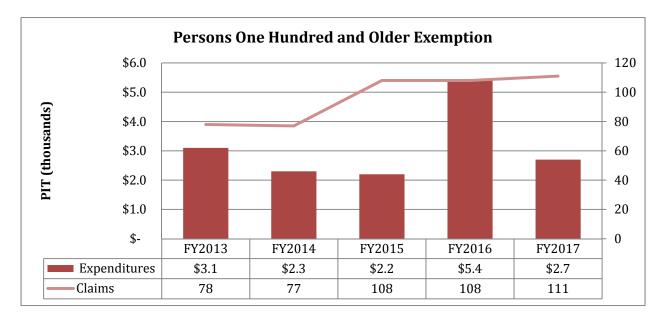
Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 – The exemption amounts for each taxpayer claiming this exemption were

computed, making this data more reliable than in past years when an average rate for all taxpayers was used. Differences between annual expenditure reports are attributed to updates in GenTax as tax filers provide

late and/or amended returns.



PERSONS SIXTY-FIVE AND OLDER OR BLIND EXEMPTION FROM PIT AND A COMPREHENSIVE TAX REBATE

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: An individual who is 65 years or older or who is blind may claim an

exemption from PIT based on a sliding scale (not to exceed \$8,000).

An individual who is 65 years or older may claim additional exemptions for the low-income comprehensive tax rebate, thus qualifying for a higher

rebate.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-5.2 and 7-2-14(C) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To reduce the financial burden on those who are likely to be living on fixed

incomes.

History: The PIT exemption was originally enacted in 1985 and amended in 1987.

The comprehensive tax rebate was originally enacted in 1972 and amended in 1973, 1974, 1975, 1977, 1978, 1981, 1986, 1987, 1990, 1992, 1994, and

1998.

Evaluation: The number of claims has remained relatively constant over the last four

fiscal years, while the amount of the expenditure has decreased due to the

sliding scale amount of the exemption. Both number of claims and expenditures may increase in keeping with trends toward an older

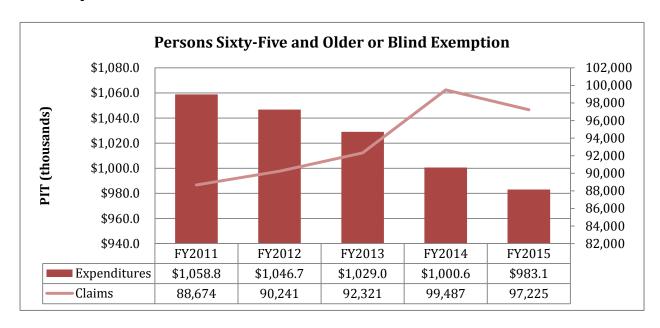
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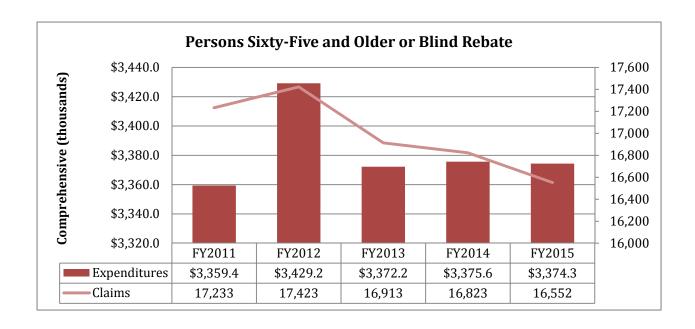
Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 - For the rebate component, the information is separately reported. No

estimation is required. For the exemption, the exemption amounts for each taxpayer claiming this exemption were computed, making this data more reliable than in past years, when an average rate for all taxpayers was used. Differences between annual expenditure reports are attributed to updates in

GenTax as tax filers provide late and/or amended returns.





PHYSICIAN PARTICIPATING IN CANCER TREATMENT CLINICAL TRIALS CREDIT AGAINST PIT

Category: Health Care

Brief Description: A licensed oncologist who practices in rural New Mexico may claim a credit

of \$1,000 for each patient participating in a cancer clinical trial under the oncologist's supervision. Rural New Mexico is defined as a class-B county in which no municipality has a population over 60,000 according to the most

recent decennial census.

The credit is capped at \$4,000 per physician per year.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.27 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To incentivize the participation in cancer clinical trials by oncologists

working in rural New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2011. Per its original enactment (SB 282, § 2), the

credit is not available for tax years beginning after December 31, 2014

Evaluation: The credit has never been taken.

Recommendations: This tax credit should be repealed, as it is not used.

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required. No

taxpayer may claim this credit for tax years beginning after December 31,

2014.

Fiscal Impact: None.

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS AND OXYGEN GRT AND GGRT DEDUCTION

Category: Health Care

Brief Description: Receipts from the sale of prescription drugs, oxygen, and oxygen services

provided by a licensed Medicare durable medical equipment provider are

deductible from gross receipts and governmental gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-73.2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the effective cost of prescription drugs and oxygen as

a public welfare mechanism.

History: Originally enacted in 1998 and amended in 2003 and 2007.

Evaluation: This deduction removes the gross receipts tax burden from sellers, who

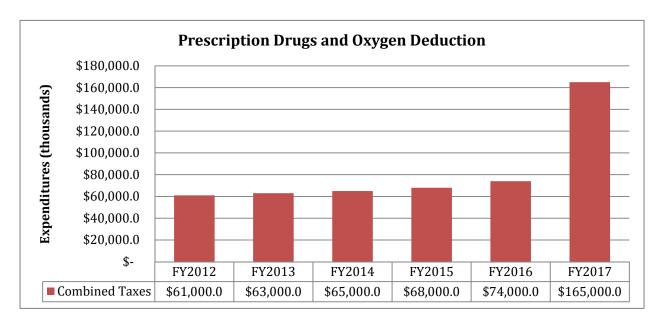
would otherwise pass it on to consumers of these medically necessary

goods.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor:

3 - State specific data published by the Kaiser Family Foundation on total retail sales of prescription drugs was used to calculate this deduction. (Data sources for oxygen and oxygen services have yet to be ascertained.) The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost. The more than two-fold increase in the estimated cost from FY2016 to FY2017 can likely be associated with the Affordable Care Act which has increased insurance coverage under the Medicaid Program and for individuals. As newly insured seek and establish care with physicians and other medical providers, the statewide prescription drug sales should increase.



RESERVATION OF CULTURAL PROPERTY CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Taxpayers may take a credit on a PIT or CIT return of 50% of the cost of

restoring, rehabilitating, or preserving properties listed on the New Mexico

Register of Cultural Properties.

The credit may not exceed \$25,000 unless the property is located within a designated arts and cultural district. The credit is capped at \$50,000 for

properties located within an arts and cultural district.

The credit is not refundable but may be carried forward up to four years.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.2 and 7-2A-8.6 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To encourage the restoration, rehabilitation and preservation of cultural

properties.

History: The PIT credit was originally enacted in 1984 and amended in 2007.

The CIT credit was originally enacted in 1984 and amended in 1986 and

2007.

Evaluation: The activity on the credit has been fairly consistent. This credit is not

refundable; therefore, a taxpayer must have enough tax liability to take the

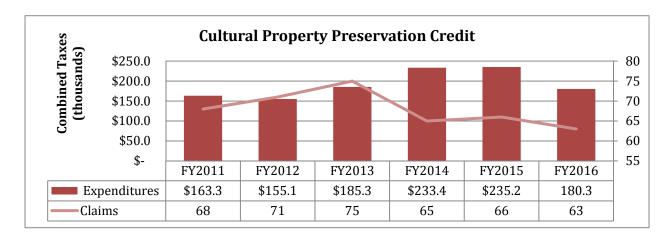
credit.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required. Differences

between annual expenditure reports are attributed to updates in GenTax as

tax filers provide late and/or amended returns.



PRODUCTION OR STAGING OF PROFESSIONAL CONTESTS GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from producing or staging professional boxing, wrestling, or

martial arts contests that occur in New Mexico, including receipts from ticket sales and broadcasting, are deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-107 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize professional boxing, wrestling, and martial arts

contests to take place in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2007.

Evaluation: The number of applicable events sanctioned by the New Mexico Athletic

Commission has increased since the enactment of this deduction.

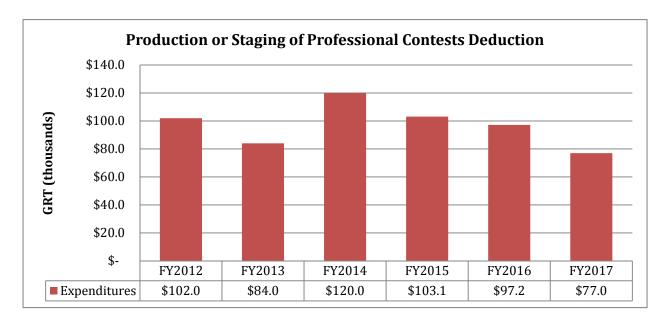
Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 🧝 3 - The New Mexico Athletic Commission reports that in 2017, 21 sanctioned

events were held, accounting for approximately \$1.1 million in gross

receipts and foregone revenue of about \$77,000. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the

cost.



PUBLICATION SALES GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from publishing newspapers or magazines are deductible from

gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-63 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize growth and operations of publishing companies in

the state.

History: Originally enacted in 1969.

Evaluation: With the proliferation of digital mobile devices, this expenditure might not

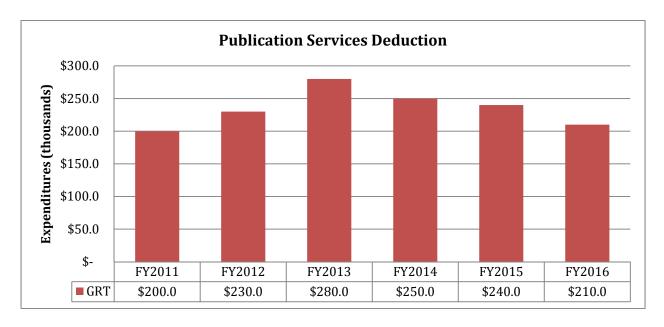
be enough to counter the market shift from print to electronic media.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 2 - Taxpayer reported deductions filed by publishing-related NAICS sectors

were used to estimate the cost of this deduction. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the

cost.



PURSES AND JOCKEY REMUNERATION AT NEW MEXICO RACETRACKS EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: The receipts of horsemen, jockeys, and trainers from race purses at New

Mexico horse racetracks subject to the jurisdiction of the state racing

commission are exempt from GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-40(A) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the tax burden of horsemen, jockeys and trainers.

Originally enacted in 1970 and amended in 1971, 1985, and 1989. **History:**

Evaluation: Although horse racing attendance and total number of horse racing events

are down statewide and nationwide, annual purses have not decreased in

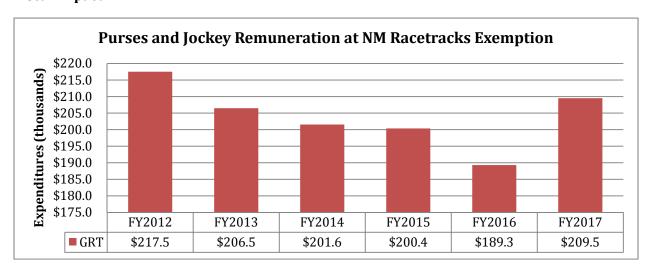
New Mexico.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor:

3 – Yearly data tracked by the Jockey Club for New Mexico tracks was combined with an industry standard rate of 10% of purses going to jockeys and trainers each. The exemption amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost. The final purses in 2016 were \$25,755,897 for 1,398 races for an average purse of \$18,423. The FY2016 cost has been updated based on the final data and represents a decrease from the estimate in the 2016 TER. The FY2017 cost was estimated based on the annual average number of races and purse per race

in the last six years.



RAILROAD EQUIPMENT, AIRCRAFT, AND SPACE VEHICLES EXEMPTION FROM COMPENSATING TAX

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: The use of railroad locomotives, trailers, containers, tenders or cars

procured or bought for use in railroad transportation; the use of commercial

aircraft bought or leased primarily for use in the transportation of

passengers or property for hire in interstate commerce; and the use of space vehicles for transportation of persons or property in, to, or from space are

exempt from compensating tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-30 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the cost of railroad transportation, aircraft

transportation, and space transportation; potentially to comply with the

preemption doctrine.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1988 and 2003.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from real estate commissions on the sale of real property which is

subject to the GRT (new construction under Section 7-9-53(A) NMSA 1978) are deductible from gross receipts. Typically, brokerage commissions are deductible from gross receipts when the underlying sales are not subject to tax. With respect to new construction, the part of the sale that reflects the value of the newly constructed improvements is taxable, but the value of the

underlying real estate is deductible.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-66.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the growth and operations of real estate

companies in the state.

History: Originally enacted in 1984 and amended in 1990.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

RENEWABLE ENERGY PRODUCTION CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: Taxpayers are able to receive a credit against PIT and CIT for producing

electricity using solar light or heat, wind, or biomass. The credit only applies to taxpayers that generate the electricity for sale to third parties or to the

taxpayers that have an ownership position in such an enterprise.

The amount of the credit is equal to one cent per kilowatt-hour up to 400,000 megawatt-hours annually per taxpayer for wind- or biomass-derived electricity. The aggregate cap for all wind projects is set at 2 million

megawatt-hours.

The amount of the credit is equal to anywhere from one and a half cents to four cents per kilowatt-hour up to 200,000 megawatt-hours annually per taxpayer for solar-light-derived or solar-heat-derived electricity depending on the consecutive taxable year for which the credit is being claimed. The aggregate cap for all solar projects is set at 500,000 megawatt-hours.

The wind and solar production caps may be monetized by multiplying the kilowatt-hour rates times the set aggregate caps. The wind aggregate cap maximized at 2 million megawatt-hours represents a credit of \$20 million. The solar credit varies by year, on average the yearly credit is \$0.0275 per kilowatt-hour. The solar credit ranges from \$0.015 in the first year of production to \$0.04 in the sixth year of production, down to \$0.02 in the tenth year. Whenever the 500,000 megawatt-hours are used, the average aggregate credit is \$13.75 million.

A qualified taxpayer is eligible for the renewable energy production tax credit for a maximum of ten consecutive years, beginning on the date the qualified energy generator begins producing electricity.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.18 and 7-2A-19 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To encourage the development of renewable energy generating facilities in

New Mexico, and to sequester or control carbon dioxide emissions.

History: The PIT credit was originally enacted in 2007. The CIT credit was originally

enacted in 2002 and amended in 2003, 2005 and 2007.

Evaluation: The mechanics of implementation limit the number of taxpayers eligible to

claim this credit. There is a queue of taxpayers seeking to claim this credit, but due to production limits, are not fully qualified to claim the credit.

For those who began producing before 2008, the credit is not refundable,

but may be carried forward for five years.

The taxpayer that holds title to a renewable energy production facility is eligible to claim the credit. Consequently, this credit is frequently used to engage in "tax credit financing" of renewable energy production facilities. The credit may be allocated without regard to proportional ownership interest. Thus, many renewable energy production facilities are structured as pass-through entities so that this credit can be passed-through to a financing owner. Because the credit can be allocated without respect to proportional ownership, the credit has the unintended consequence of enabling tax strategies that further reduce income tax revenues.

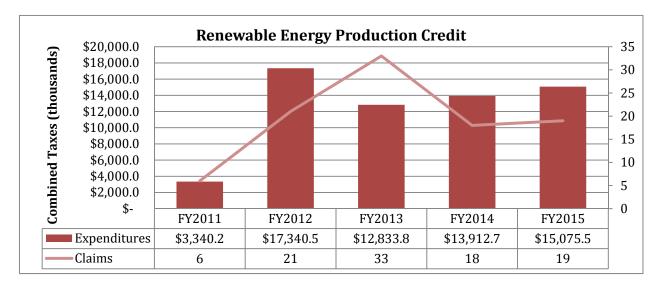
"Tax credit financing" is a valuable tool to incentivize various types of investment. These types of tax incentives require proactive management to ensure the interests of the State are served equitably. New Mexico will invest approximately \$609.2 million in renewable energy production over the life of this credit program. However, the costs in the renewable energy market have declined precipitously since the introduction of this credit. This credit has become a market distorting windfall for the owners of facilities that qualify for the credit.

Recommendations:

The eligibility period for this credit expires on December 31, 2017. Liabilities incurred under this program will continue through fiscal year 2027.

Reliability Factor: Fiscal Impact:

¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT SMALL BUSINESS CREDIT AGAINST GRT OR FIFTY PERCENT CREDIT AGAINST WITHHOLDING TAX

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: A qualified research and development small businesses may claim a credit

equal to the sum of all gross receipts or 50% of withholding taxes owed to New Mexico for the reporting period in which the business qualifies for the

credit.

A qualified business is a corporation, general partnership or similar entity with 25 or fewer employees, with annual revenues under \$5 million, and whose qualified research and development expenditures for the prior 12 months was equal to at least 20% of total expenditures for those calendar

months.

Statutory Basis: 7-9H-1 *et seq.* NMSA 1978 (repealed).

Intended Purpose: To incentivize the foundation and expansion of small research and

development businesses.

History: Originally enacted in 2005 to be effective against GRT and compensating tax

with an expiration date of June 30, 2009. The credit was not extended prior

to its expiration date.

Reenacted in 2011, with an expiration date of June 30, 2015 removed

compensating tax, and to reduce the withholding tax credit to 50%.

Evaluation: This credit expired for a second time on June 30, 2015 and was

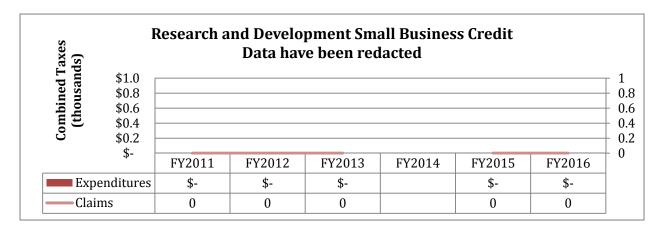
underutilized. Its relationship to similar credits and deductions should be studied to understand how they interact. Alternative approaches to stimulating small businesses critical to the modern economy, such as

research and development business, should be explored.

Recommendations: None

Reliability Factor: 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

NOTE: Some of the data have been redacted due to fewer than 3 taxpayers claiming the credit. FY2014 has been redacted. No claims other years.



RURAL HEALTH CARE PRACTITIONER CREDIT AGAINST PIT

Category: Health Care

Brief Description: Licensed doctors, osteopathic physicians, dentists, clinical psychologists,

podiatrists and optometrists who provide health care services in New Mexico in a rural health care, underserved area in a taxable year may claim a

credit of up to \$5,000 against PIT.

Licensed dental hygienists, physician assistants, certified nurse midwives, certified registered nurse anesthetists, certified nurse practitioners and clinical nurse specialists who provide health care services in New Mexico in a rural health care, underserved area in a taxable year may claim a credit of

up to \$3,000 against PIT.

To qualify for the full credit, a practitioner must provide health care for 2,080 hours at a practice site in an approved area. If the practitioner provided health care for at least 1,040 hours, the practitioner is eligible for

50% of the credit.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.22 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To improve access to health care in rural or underserved areas of the state,

by providing a tax benefit to health care practitioners who work in those

areas.

History: Originally enacted in 2007.

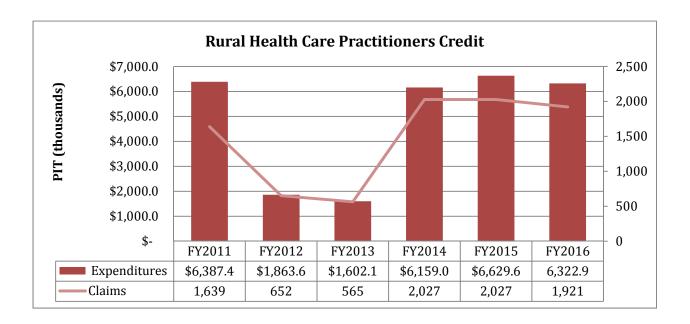
Evaluation: Except for a slight decrease in FY2013, the number of claims increased

steadily between FY2011 and FY2015. This increase may be an indication that this credit is an incentive to move practitioners to rural areas. A report by the New Mexico Healthcare Workforce Commission indicates that while "financial incentives such as ... tax credits have been important recruitment and retention tools", there continues to be a shortage of physicians in many rural parts of the state. (New Mexico Health Care Workforce Committee

Report, October 1, 2014, pg. 4).

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



RURAL JOB CREDIT AGAINST MODIFIED COMBINED TAX, PIT, AND CIT

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: Eligible employers may earn the rural job tax credit for each qualifying job

created after July 1, 2000, applying it to GRT (less local option GRT),

compensating tax, withholding tax, PIT, or CIT.

An eligible employer is one whom EDD has approved for Job Training

Incentive Program assistance.

A qualifying job means a job filled by an eligible employee for 48 weeks in a

12-month qualifying period.

The total credit authorized is 25% of the first \$16,000 of wages paid, if the job is performed or based in a Tier 1 Area and 12.5% of the first \$16,000 of wages paid, if the job is performed or based in a Tier 2 Area. However, the credit is taken in annual increments: 6.25% of the first \$16,000 in wages paid over four qualifying periods (years) if the job is performed at a location in a Tier 1 Area; 6.25% of the first \$16,000 in wages paid over two qualifying

periods if the job is performed at a location in a Tier 2 Area.

Statutory Basis: 7-2E-1.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To encourage businesses to expand into rural areas of the state.

History: Originally enacted in 2007, the credit was amended in 2013 to tighten the

definition of qualifying jobs and to clarify the definition of wages.

Evaluation: Stagnant employment growth in rural New Mexico is a plausible explanation

for the decreases in credit amounts from FY2010 to FY2012; in FY2014 an increase in claims was followed by a sharp decline in FY2015. The credit utilization reported for FY2016 represents the largest amount of this credit in recent years. According to UNM's Bureau of Business and Economic Research (BBER) quarterly forecast of the New Mexico Economy (October 2016), the state's Agricultural, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting experienced an increase of 7% from calendar year 2015 to 2016 in terms of wage and salary disbursements. At the same time, BBER reports NM farm proprietor's income increased by 22% in the same period. Further, the increase in credits can be attributed to an increase in private sector employment of 2.3% in

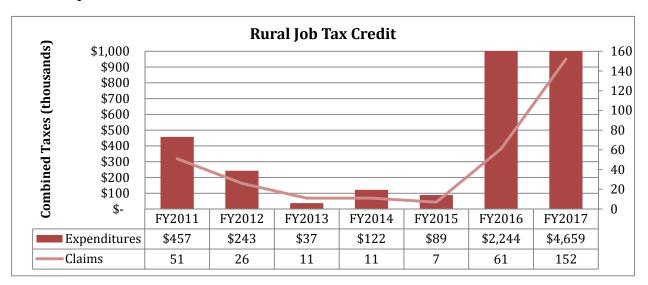
2016 versus the previous year.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 2 – Although this credit is separately reported, its reliability has been

temporarily moved from 1 to 2 because of a certain issue within the reporting mechanism, which is currently under review by the Department's

Audit and Compliance Division (ACD). Therefore, this expenditure requires an adjustment based on recommendation provided by ACD.



SALE AND USE OF AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS, FARM TRACTORS, AIRCRAFT, AND MOTOR VEHICLES THAT DON'T HAVE TO BE REGISTERED

GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: (A) 50% of the receipts from selling, or of the value of, farm tractors and

agricultural implements when used by persons engaged in the business of farming or ranching, are deductible from gross receipts and from the total

value before computing compensating tax.

50% of the receipts from selling, or of the value of, vehicles not required to be registered under the Motor Vehicle Code are deductible from gross receipts and from the total value before computing compensating tax.

50% of the receipts from selling, or of the value of, aircraft not bought or leased primarily for use in the transportation of passengers or property for hire in interstate commerce are deductible from gross receipts and from the total value before computing compensating tax.

(B) Receipts of an aircraft manufacturer or affiliate from selling aircraft, or from selling aircraft flight support, pilot training or maintenance training services are deductible from gross receipts.

(C) Receipts from selling aircraft parts or maintenance services for aircraft or aircraft parts are deductible from GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-62 and 7-9-77 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize agricultural activities by reducing the effective

cost of agricultural implements and farm tractors. Presumably to incentivize the development of the aircraft industry in New Mexico by reducing related costs of selling and using aircraft for things other than transportation of

passengers or property for hire in intrastate commerce.

History: The GRT deduction was originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1975,

1998, 2000, 2007, and 2014. The 2014 amendment expanded the deduction to allow any entity selling aircraft parts or maintenance services for aircraft

or aircraft parts to take the deduction starting July 1, 2015.

The compensating tax deduction was originally enacted in 1966 and was

amended in 1969, 1975, 1988, and 1998.

Evaluation: To the extent that the agricultural implements are used in the production of

agricultural goods intended for sale, this deduction could be viewed as

reducing the effects of pyramiding.

To the extent that the aircraft are used in the production of agricultural goods intended for sale, this deduction could be viewed as an anti-

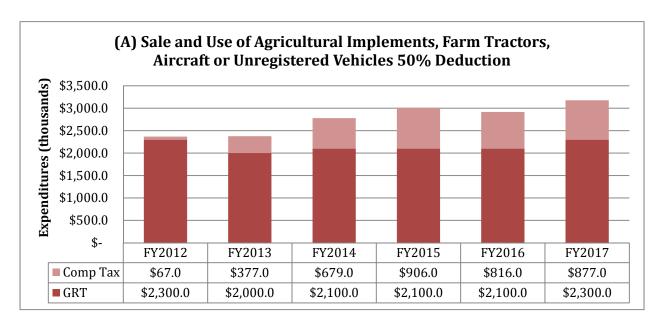
pyramiding device. From FY2015 forward, taxpayers wishing to take this deduction will be required to separately state the amount deducted. However, because this section contains several different deductions, separating each subsection from the whole is not possible.

Recommendations: None.

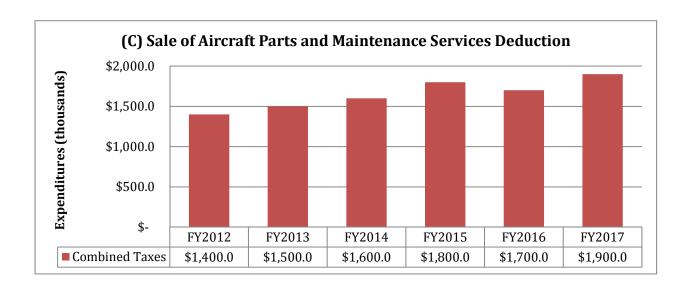
Reliability Factor:

2 - This estimate is based on reported deductions from selected NAICS industry groups, calculated at the statewide average effective tax rate. The compensating tax portion is estimated using the amount of compensating tax paid in the applicable sectors. Assuming that all compensating tax eligible purchases made within the sector would have been deducted at 50%, the paid remainder would be equal to the amount deducted.

2 - Gross receipts deductions reported by taxpayers classified as Support for Air Transportation were used to estimate the impact of this deduction. All deductions reported by the selected sectors were assumed to result from this deduction. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost.







SALE OF CERTAIN SERVICES TO AN OUT-OF-STATE BUYER GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: Receipts from performing a service in New Mexico are deductible from gross

receipts if the sale of the service is made to an out-of-state buyer. The

product of the service must be delivered to the buyer outside of New Mexico and the product of the service must be initially used by the buyer outside of

New Mexico to qualify for the deduction.

The buyer must present an appropriate nontaxable transaction certificate or

other evidence acceptable to the TRD Secretary.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-57 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to encourage service exportation by equalizing tax treatment

with out-of-state service providers, most of which are not subject to a sales

tax on services.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1973, 1977, 1983, 1988, 1989,

1998, and 2000.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

SALE OF FOOD AT RETAIL FOOD STORES GRT DEDUCTION AND HOLD HARMLESS DISTRIBUTION

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Receipts from qualifying food sales at retail food stores as defined under the

federal food stamp program are deductible from gross receipts.

The deduction is required to be separately stated by the taxpayer.

The original legislation enacted provisions in the Tax Administration Act stating that the revenues of municipal and county governments would be held harmless from any lost revenue resulting from the deduction.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-92, 7-1-6.46 and 7-1-6.47 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the burden of taxing food.

History: The GRT deduction was originally enacted in 2004 and has not been

amended.

The hold harmless provision was originally enacted in 2004. Amended in 2006, 2007 and 2013. The 2013 amendment phased-out the hold harmless distribution to larger counties and municipalities over a 15-year period starting July 1, 2015. During the 2016 $2^{\rm nd}$ special session the statute was amended to add a penalty for incorrectly filing for the food and medical deductions that result in hold harmless distributions instead of other exemptions or deductions which must be taken first. The penalty is equal to 20% of the value of the hold harmless distribution resulting from the

incorrect deduction.

Evaluation: As evidenced by the size of the GRT deduction, this reduces the costs of food.

Because of the hold harmless provision and the loss of the revenue being made up through other tax burdens, this reduction has a significant cost to both the General Fund and the taxpayers it benefits. The GRT data included in the fiscal impact chart was obtained through a different source from GenTax. Hence, data for fiscal years between FY2013 and FY2017 has been

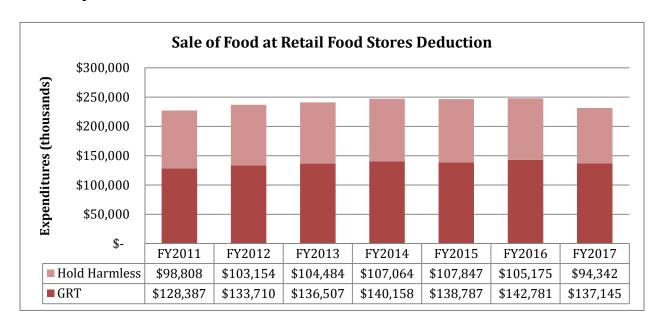
updated to reflect the change.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This deduction is separately reported. The estimate reflects the amounts

of GRT revenue forgone by multiplying the GRT deduction amounts by the statewide average GRT rate for each year. The hold-harmless is reported

separately and no estimation is required.



SALE OF SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from the sale of software development services that are performed

in a rural area by an eligible software company are deductible from gross receipts. A rural area is anywhere except an incorporated municipality with

a population of more than 50,000

Statutory Basis: 7-9-57.2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To stimulate new business development in rural areas.

History: Originally enacted in 2002.

Evaluation: Determining whether this deduction is the cause of any expansion in the

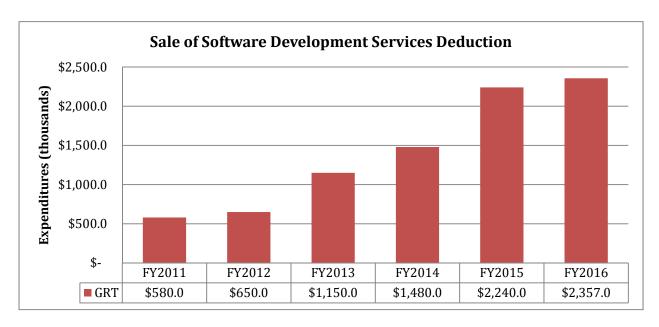
targeted locations or for the targeted industries is impossible, but, based on TRD's estimate methodology, the amount of the applicable deductions has

increased significantly in recent years.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 2 - Gross receipts deductions for taxpayers classified as software publishers

and computer programmers reported outside of incorporated municipalities are assumed to fall into this category. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to estimate the cost.



SALE OF TEXTBOOKS IN CERTAIN BOOKSTORES EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Receipts of certain bookstores from selling textbooks and other materials

required for courses at a public post-secondary educational institution to a student enrolled at the institution are exempt from GRT. Only bookstores located on the campus of the institution and operated pursuant to a

contractual agreement with the institution are eligible.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-13.4 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the cost of educational materials to those attending

higher educational institutions.

History: Originally enacted in 2002.

Evaluation: While the cost of textbooks is only one component of the overall cost of a

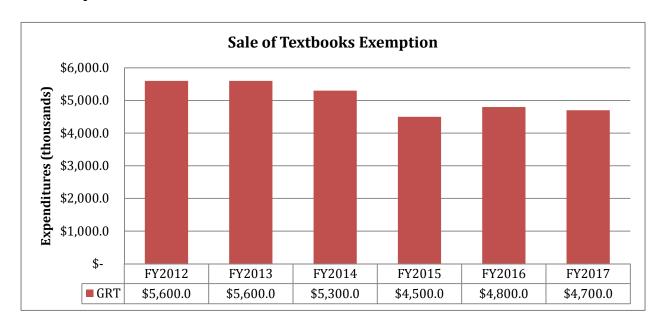
college education, the exemption provides some relief.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor:

4 - Using survey results from The National Association of College Stores, a revised estimate of the cost of required course materials has been applied for the 2017 TER. Enrollment numbers for public post-secondary institutions are reported by the New Mexico Higher Education Department. The course material estimate is independent from the cost of technology and other supplies which were part of the cost used in the 2016 TER. This is one factor contributing to lower yearly estimates compared to the 2016 TER. Other factors contributing to the downward trend in the exemption amount are declining enrollments and use of technology to access course materials. New Mexico public universities and colleges have collectively had an average annual 3.1% drop in enrollment over the last five years. Student behavior also has changed in that student's access course material electronically, buy books on-line and rent textbooks. The estimated impact

amount includes both state and local revenue.



SALES TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS GRT, GGRT, AND COMPENSATING TAX DEDUCTION

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Gross receipts from selling tangible personal property to 501(c)(3)

organizations for use in tax exempt functions, and gross receipts from the sale of construction materials to a 501(c)(3) organization formed for the purpose of providing homeownership opportunities to low-income families are deductible from gross receipts and governmental gross receipts. Also, out-of-state purchases of an organization that was granted a tax exemption under Section 501(c)(3) or Section 501(c)(6) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code are exempt from the Compensating Tax so long as the receipts are not derived from an unrelated trade or business as defined in Section 513 of the

U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-60 and 7-9-15 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to subsidize the activities of certain types of nonprofit entities.

History: Originally enacted in 1970 and amended in 1992, 1995, 2001, and 2007.

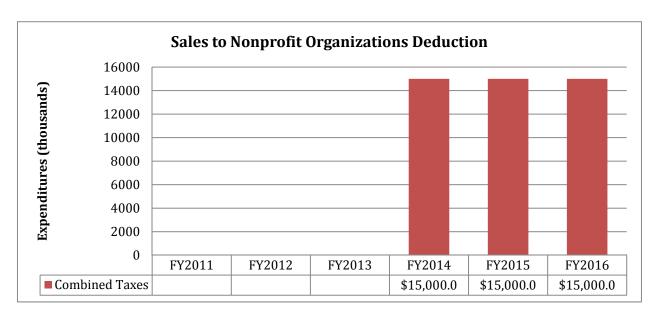
Evaluation: This tax expenditure provides government support to nonprofit entities in

the form of reduced tax burden.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor:

4 - No direct data with which to estimate the impact of this deduction exists. The estimate shows an updated methodology compared to the *2015 Tax Expenditure Report*. In this version, TRD took into account the average gross income of a sample of 2,802 nonprofit organizations in New Mexico obtained through GuideStar.org — a self-reporting web-based database. TRD assumed that a portion of the gross income in the sample would be used for the purposes of this deduction. The deduction amount is then multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for FY2014 – FY2016 to estimate the cost using 50% of the gross income data as reported through Form 990 in federal income tax returns for each year available. This estimate does not take into account the split between GRT and Compensating tax deductions.



SALES TO QUALIFIED FILM PRODUCTION COMPANY GRT AND GGRT DEDUCTION

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: Receipts from selling or leasing property to, and from performing services

for, a qualified production company are deductible from gross receipts or

from governmental gross receipts.

The buyer (a film production company) must present a nontaxable transaction certificate (NTTC) to the seller and can only deliver one with

respect to production costs.

This deduction cannot be used in conjunction with the film production tax

credit as described in Section 7-2F-1(L).

Statutory Basis: 7-9-86 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize operations of the film industry and film

productions in New Mexico prior to the existence of the film production tax

credit (Section 7-2F-1 et seq. NMSA 1978).

History: Originally enacted in 1995 and amended in 2003.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: Based on the value to the taxpayer, the possibility of claiming this deduction

instead of the Film Production Tax Credit is very small. For this reason, TRD

recommends this statute to be repealed.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

SALES TO STATE-CHARTERED CREDIT UNIONS GRT AND GGRT DEDUCTION

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: Receipts from selling tangible personal property to state-chartered credit

unions are deductible from gross receipts to the same extent that receipts from the sale of tangible personal property to federal credit unions are

deductible.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-61.2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to provide equitable tax treatment between federally-chartered

credit unions and state-charted credit unions and treat state-chartered

credit unions as an instrumentality of state government.

History: Originally enacted in 2000.

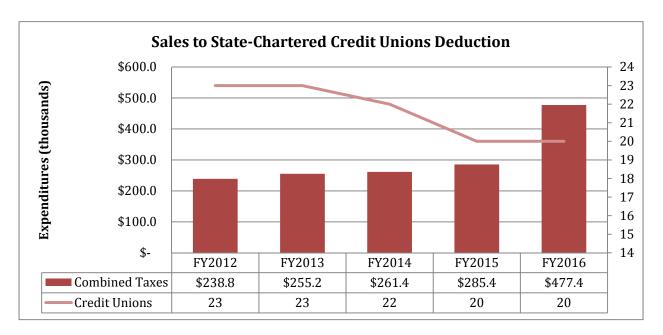
Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ** 4 - According to the

4 - According to the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), New Mexico had 20 state-chartered credit unions in 2017. NCUA has also published a document on operating costs for a state-chartered credit union. From this document the tangible property costs estimate (including an estimated 20% of "Other Operating Costs" and "Marketing Costs") was scaled using the compensation data shown for each of the state-chartered credit unions against that shown in the document. The total of these deductions is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to

estimate the cost.



SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: Receipts from the sale or installation of solar energy systems, including solar

panels, solar hot water heaters, and trombe walls, are deductible from gross receipts if the equipment is used to generate power for on-site consumption.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-112 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the installation and use of solar energy systems at

the consumer level.

History: Originally enacted in 2007.

Evaluation: The steady growth rate in TRD's estimated deduction utilization suggests

that this deduction continues to benefit solar purchasers.

Recommendations: None.

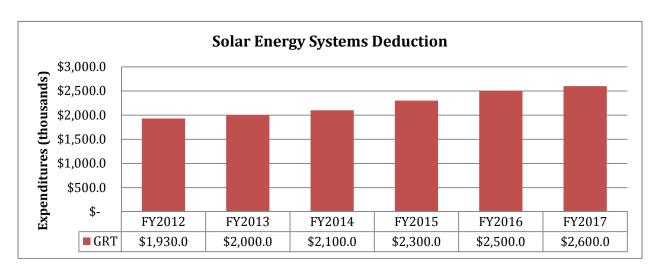
Reliability Factor: 3 - The solar market development credit, authorized in Section 7-2-18.14

NMSA 1978, is used as a proxy to estimate the size of this deduction. Published data on the solar credit for residential installations for the last three calendar years from the EMNRD are in line with the 2016 TER

estimates. The FY2017 estimate is based on half a year of EMNRD 2016 data at which time the solar market development credit expired and an

assumption of flat receipts for the first half of calendar year 2017. Given that the federal government still has qualifying tax credits through 2021 and continued public interest in solar energy, consumers will still pursue solar energy systems. The future impact of the expiration of the solar market development credit on this deduction will need to be studied. The deduction amount is multiplied by the statewide average GRT rate for each year to

estimate the cost.



SOLAR MARKET DEVELOPMENT CREDIT AGAINST PIT

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: Taxpayers who purchase and install a solar thermal system or a photovoltaic

system in a residence, business, or agricultural enterprise owned in New Mexico may apply for a solar market development tax credit of up to 10% of the purchase and installation cost of the system against their PIT. This purchase must be made after January 1, 2006 but before December 31,

2016.

The credit shall not exceed \$9,000. The maximum aggregate amount of credits allowed in any tax year is \$2 million for solar thermal systems and \$3

million for photovoltaic systems.

The credit is not refundable but may be carried forward for up to ten years.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.14 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To incentivize the growth of the solar industry by subsidizing a portion of

the purchase and installation costs of solar systems in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2006 and amended in 2009.

Amended in 2009 to reduce the credit from 30% to 10% and remove the

cumulative federal and state cap of 30%.

Evaluation: A plausible explanation for the steady increase in the number and size of

claims and the relative plateau over the last three fiscal years may indicate that the solar market is beginning to mature. Assuming that the number of claims corresponds to the number of systems, 5,675 systems were installed

between FY2010 and FY2014 at a total five-year expenditure cost of \$11,649,400, which at the 10% of cost credit allowance, reflects

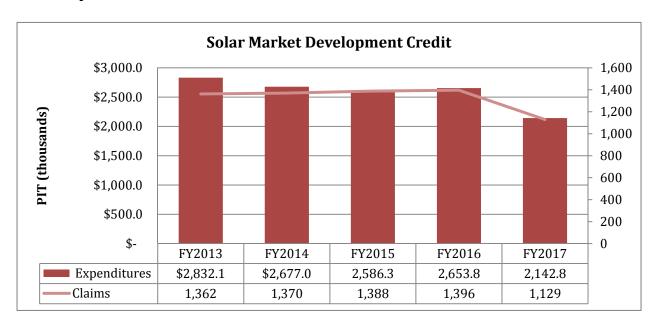
\$116,494,000 in direct economic activity with respect to solar installers. As TRD does not collect information regarding individual systems and system

capacity, the energy cost savings cannot yet be determined.

Recommendations: The program expired December 31, 2016. Recommend the credit be

repealed.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



SPACEPORT-RELATED ACTIVITIES GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Deductible from GRT are receipts from:

(1) launching, operating or recovering space vehicles or

payloads;

(2) preparing a payload;

(3) operating a spaceport; or

(4) providing research, development, testing, and evaluation services for the U.S. Air Force Operationally Responsive

Space Program.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-54.2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to encourage the development of the space industry in New

Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 1995 and amended in 1997, 2001, 2003, and 2007.

The 2007 amendment added a deduction for receipts from the provision of research, development, testing, and evaluation services for the U.S. Air Force

Operationally Responsible Space Program.

Evaluation: According to publicly available information, currently only one out of state

company operates launches in New Mexico. The company performs perhaps

one or two launches a year. Several other out of state companies have

indicated a desire to perform space-related operations at the Spaceport and one made investments of approximately \$2 million. Companies which may be involved with the USAF Operationally Responsive Space Program are difficult to identify. Another company has moved its headquarters to the state and is preparing vehicles for launch. This deduction must be

evaluated in conjunction with overarching state policy with respect to

Spaceport America operation.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact. Cashflow for most

companies involved in this business area could best be described as

irregular. Without a reporting requirement, it is difficult to ascertain which

companies qualify and how much of the deduction is being applied. Significantly, the state operates the Spaceport, and it is therefore already

exempt from paying GRT.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

SPACE-RELATED TEST ARTICLES DEDUCTION FROM COMPENSATING TAX

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: The value of space-related test articles used in New Mexico exclusively for

research or testing or placed on public display after or stored for future use. The value of equipment and materials used in New Mexico for research or testing to support the research or testing of space-related test articles, or for storage of such equipment or materials to support the research and testing of space-related test articles, is deductible in computing compensating tax

due.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-54.4 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the development of the space industry in New

Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2003.

Evaluation: According to publicly available information, currently only one company

with the explicit goal of conducting space-related testing actually performs such tests in New Mexico. The company performs perhaps one or two launches a year. Other companies have indicated a desire to perform space-related testing at the Spaceport; one made investments of approximately \$2 million, and another moved its headquarters to the state. There may be other companies which qualify for the deduction, but they are difficult to

identify.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact. Cash flow for most

companies involved in this business area could best be described as irregular. Without a reporting requirement it is difficult to ascertain which companies qualify and how much of the deduction is being applied.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

SPECIAL NEEDS ADOPTED CHILD CREDIT AGAINST PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: A taxpayer who has adopted a special needs child (an individual certified as

a "difficult to place child") may claim a credit against PIT in the amount of

\$1,000.

If the amount of credit due to a taxpayer exceeds the taxpayer's PIT liability,

the excess is refunded.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.16 NMSA 1978

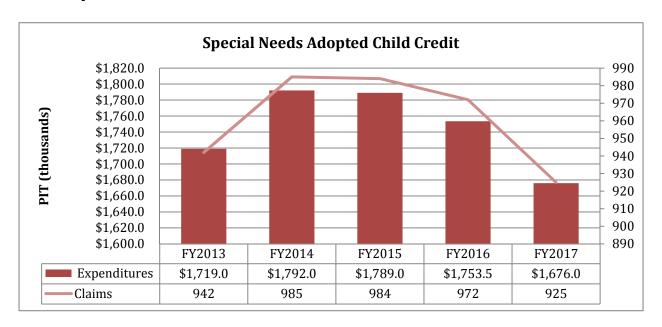
Intended Purpose: To provide tax relief for those who adopted a special needs child.

History: Originally enacted in 2007.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



SUSTAINABLE BUILDING CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: Enacted in 2007, Sections 7-2A-21 and 7-2-18.19 NMSA 1978 provide the

sustainable building tax credit. Sections 7-2A-28 and 7-2-18.29 NMSA 1978, enacted in 2015 and applicable to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2017, provide the new sustainable building tax credit. Until December 31, 2016, a taxpayer may claim a credit against PIT and CIT for investments in constructing or renovating sustainable residential or commercial buildings

that meet specific "green" building standards.

The amount of the credit that may be claimed ranges from \$0.70 per square foot to \$9.00 per square foot depending on the square footage of the building, the type of building, and the certification level the building has achieved in the LEED green building rating system.

For credits that are less than \$100,000, a maximum of \$25,000 will be applied against the taxpayer's liability each year as needed; for credits of \$100,000 and more, a maximum of 25% will be applied against the taxpayer's liability each year.

The credit is not refundable but is transferable. It may also be carried

forward up to seven years.

7-2-18.19 and 7-2A-21 NMSA 1978 **Statutory Basis:**

Intended Purpose: To encourage the construction of sustainable buildings and the renovation

of existing buildings into sustainable buildings.

Originally enacted in 2007 and amended in 2009 and 2013. **History:**

> The 2013 amendment extended the expiration date, changed the aggregate cap for commercial building from \$5 million to \$1 million and from \$5 million to \$4 million for residential buildings, and established thresholds for

how much of the credit can be claimed in each year.

In 2015 legislation was passed to re-enact a new sustainable building tax credit¹³, which: (1) provided the new credit through 2026; (2) lowered the qualified square footage and credit amount for residential buildings; and (3) reinstated a per-credit (as opposed to an aggregated credit) methodology

for determining annualized credit claim amounts.

Evaluation: According to EMNRD, the sustainable building tax credit reached its cap in

> FY2015 and FY2016. In the 12-month period through October 2013, EMNRD received, reviewed, and processed 1,078 applications comprising 2.7 million square feet of floor area, including: six commercial buildings of

¹³ Sections 7-2-18.29 and 7-2A-28 NMSA 1978

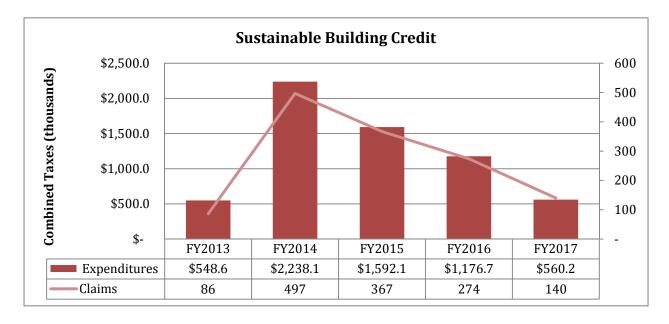
663,970 square feet; 216 multifamily housing units of 201,763 square feet; 67 manufactured homes of 111,082 square feet; and 795 single-family homes of 1,787,047 square feet. The construction of buildings that meet ENERGY STAR, LEED, or Build Green New Mexico standards, provided jobs in 22 New Mexico counties.

TRD used data provided by EMNRD in thousands of BTU's (British Thermal Units) to estimate the savings in dollar amounts. Using the Public Service Company of New Mexico's monthly rates per kilowatt-hour ("kWh"), the Department monetized the savings in energy as a result of the credit. In FY2014, the total savings in residential homes was about \$570,000. The future energy savings projections over 10 years were estimated to be \$27 million, compared to \$18 million in tax credits. Total savings for commercial buildings over 10 years were estimated at \$30 million, compared to a \$2.2 million in tax credits. It should be noted that the monetized energy savings are annual savings and do not project or consider the cumulative energy savings over the useful life of the properties.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor:

1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required. Differences between annual expenditure reports are attributed to updates in GenTax as tax filers provide late and/or amended returns.



TAX STAMPS RATE DIFFERENTIAL IN CIGARETTE TAX

Category: Health Care

Brief Description: TRD sells tax stamps at face value to distributors of cigarettes. Unless the

face value of tax stamps sold in a single sale is less than \$1,000, a discount of 0.55% is applied for the first \$30,000 of stamps purchased in one calendar

month. A 0.44% discount is applied for the next \$30,000 of stamps purchased in that month, and a 0.27% discount is applied for any stamps

purchased in excess of \$60,000.

Statutory Basis: 7-12-7(D) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably, this provides a scaled increase of the price of stamps. Rather

than providing for a floor with increases at certain thresholds, it provides a ceiling with decreases at certain thresholds. This meets the definition of a

tax expenditure but the intent to make it one is unclear.

History: Originally enacted in 1943 and amended in 1947, 1949, 1953, 1963, 1968,

1970, 1971, 1988, 2006, and 2010. The 2010 amendment reduced the

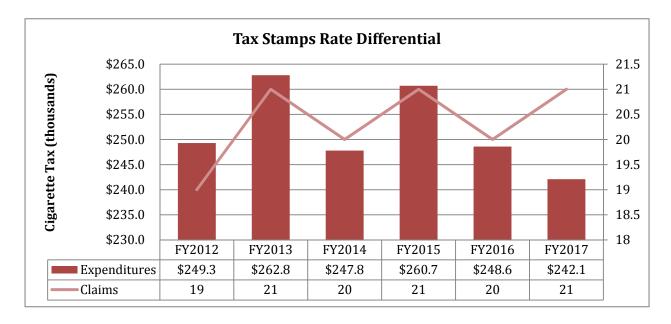
discounts.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: $\[\]$ 1 - The discounted amounts are reported separately. No estimation is

required.



TECHNOLOGY JOBS AND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CREDIT AGAINST GRT, COMPENSATING TAX, WITHHOLDING TAX, PIT, OR CIT

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description:

A taxpayer who conducts qualified research and development at a facility in New Mexico, except at a facility operated for the U.S. government, may claim a basic credit equal to 5% (4% before January 1, 2016) of qualified expenditures (this is doubled to 8% when the qualified facility is in a rural area) against GRT, compensating tax, or withholding tax.

The taxpayer may qualify for an additional 4% credit against PIT and CIT liabilities by raising its in-state payroll by \$75,000 for every \$1 million in qualified expenditures claimed. This credit doubles if the qualified facility is in a rural area.

A 2015 amendment excluded local option gross receipts tax from the taxes that the basic credit may be claimed against. The legislation also required separate reporting by the taxpayer.

Qualified research and development small business is defined as a taxpayer that:

- (1) employed no more than fifty employees as determined by the number of employees for which the taxpayer was liable for unemployment insurance coverage in the taxable year for which an additional credit is claimed;
- (2) had total qualified expenditures of no more than five million dollars (\$5,000,000) in the taxable year for which an additional credit is claimed; and
- (3) did not have more than 50% of its voting securities or other equity interest with the right to designate or elect the board of directors or other governing body of the business owned directly or indirectly by another business; Prior to January 1, 2016 the credit is not refundable but may be carried forward as long as needed.

Starting January 1, 2016, the credit is refundable if the taxpayer's total qualified expenditures for the taxable year for which the claim is made is:

- (1) less than \$3 million, the excess additional credit shall be refunded to the taxpayer;
- (2) greater than or equal to \$3 million and less than \$4 million, two-thirds of the excess additional credit shall be refunded to the taxpayer; and
- (3) greater than or equal to \$4 million and less than or equal to \$5 million, one-third of the excess additional credit shall be refunded to the taxpayer.

Statutory Basis: 7-9F-1 *et seq.* NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To incentivize the growth of technology-based businesses engaging in

research, development and experimentation by providing a favorable tax climate and to promote increased employment and higher wages in those

fields in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 2000 and amended in 2015, HB2 Sections 10 through

18 amended the Technology Jobs Tax Credit Act to create the Technology Jobs and Research and Development Tax Credit Act. Section 7-9F-9 NMSA 1978 was amended to set forth the mechanism for claiming the basic credit, and to exclude local option gross receipts tax from the taxes that the basic credit may be claimed against. A taxpayer reporting requirement was also

created.

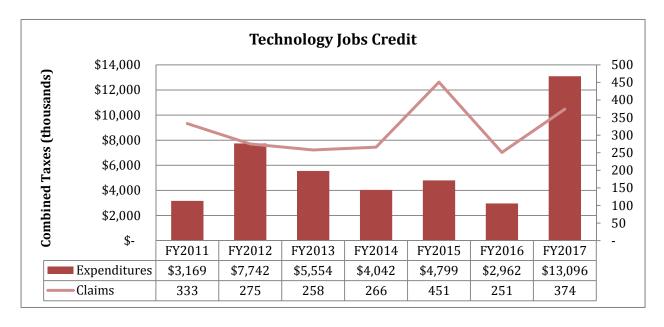
Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 2 – Although this credit is separately reported, its reliability has been

temporarily moved from 1 to 2 because of a certain issue within the reporting mechanism, which is currently under review by the Department's Audit and Compliance Division (ACD). Therefore, this expenditure requires

an adjustment based on recommendation provided by ACD.



TEST ARTICLE DEDUCTION FROM COMPENSATING TAX

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: The value of test articles upon which research or testing is conducted in New

Mexico pursuant to a contract with the U.S. Department of Defense is

deductible in computing the compensating tax due. The deduction provided does not apply to the value of property purchased by a prime contractor operating a facility designated as a national laboratory by an act of Congress.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-54.5 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the retention of U.S. Air Force bases in New

Mexico by allowing a compensating tax deduction for the use of test articles upon which research or testing is conducted in New Mexico pursuant to a

contract with the U.S. Department of Defense.

History: Originally enacted in 2004.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

TIDD – TAX INCREMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT DEDICATED INCREMENTS

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: State and local governments may dedicate a portion of GRT increments and

property tax increments for use by a TIDD to fund eligible activities of the

TIDD.

Statutory Basis: 5-15-15 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To create a mechanism for providing GRT and property tax financing for

public infrastructure to incentivize the support of economic development

and job creation.

History: Originally enacted in 2006 and amended in 2009 and 2014.

The 2009 amendment clarified the following: that approval of the plan is by the governing body of the municipality or county within which the TIDD projects are proposed, that the deposit the petitioners put down may be reimbursed from the proceeds from the sale of bonds issued by the TIDD, to

direct the governing body of the local government to notify TRD,

Department of Finance and Administration, and the LFC when a resolution is adopted, and to add requirements for the content of the notice of hearing,

and to clarify some administrative provisions.

The 2014 amendment created a mechanism for adjusting a base year one

time.

Evaluation: TIDDs allow for state and local governments to contribute tax revenue to

developments that are deemed to be mutually beneficial. Administratively, TIDDs require great care in the initial setup and baseline setting stage. If the baseline is set correctly from the start, taxpayer location misfiling issues are

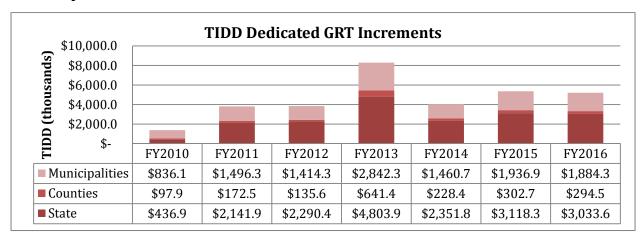
easily corrected through the net receipts process.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: a 1 – GRT reporting within TIDDs are reported separately. No estimation is

required. In FY15 new TIDDs existed that were not included in the 2015

report. They have been included this year.



URANIUM ENRICHMENT PLANT EQUIPMENT DEDUCTION FROM COMPENSATING TAX

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: The value of equipment and replacement parts for that equipment may be

deducted in computing the compensating tax due if the person uses the equipment or replacement parts to enrich uranium in a uranium enrichment

plant.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-78.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize enrichment plants to locate in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 1999.

Evaluation: Operating as intended. The only current commercial enrichment facility in

the United States opened in New Mexico a decade after this statute was

enacted.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

URANIUM HEXAFLUORIDE AND URANIUM ENRICHMENT GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Highly Specialized Industry

Brief Description: Receipts from selling uranium hexafluoride and uranium enrichment are

deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-90 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the uranium hexafluoride industry and uranium

enrichment plants to locate in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 1999 and amended in 2012. The 2012 amendment

allowed the deduction for the sale of uranium hexafluoride.

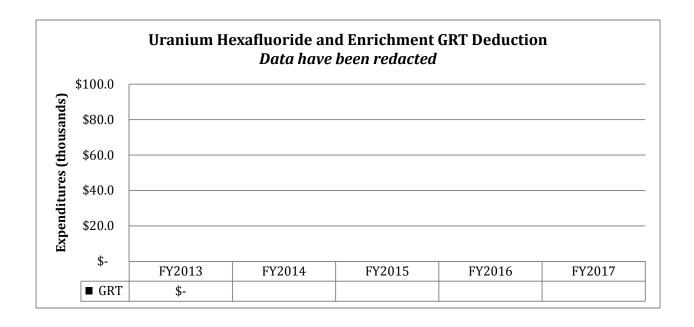
Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This deduction is separately reported. No estimation is required.

NOTE: Data for FY2014-FY2017 have been redacted due to fewer than 3

taxpayers taking the deduction. No claims other years.



UNREIMBURSED OR UNCOMPENSATED MEDICAL CARE EXPENSES CREDIT FROM PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: A taxpayer who is 65 years of age or older may claim a credit of \$2,800 for

medical care expenses paid by the taxpayer equal to \$28,000 or more, if those expenses are not reimbursed or compensated for by insurance or otherwise. This credit is refundable if the credit exceeds the income tax

liability for the taxable year.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.13 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To accommodate taxpayers by deducting medical expenses not otherwise

reimbursed or compensated by reducing NM taxable income.

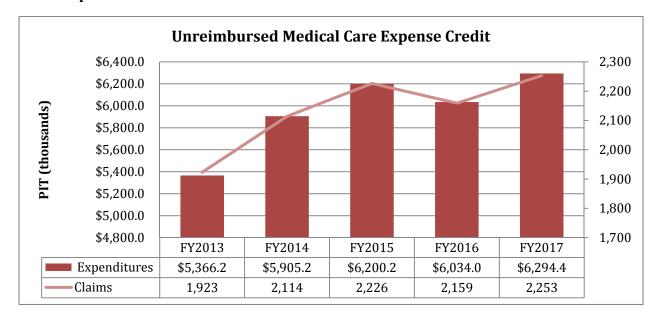
History: Originally enacted in 2005 with no expiration.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 – The expense is calculated directly from taxpayer data. No estimation is

required.



UNREIMBURSED OR UNCOMPENSATED MEDICAL CARE EXPENSES DEDUCTION FROM PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: A taxpayer may claim a deduction from net income an amount determined

for medical care expenses paid during the tax year for medical care of the taxpayer, the taxpayer's spouse or dependent(s) if the expenses are not

reimbursed or compensated for by insurance or otherwise.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-37 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To accommodate taxpayers by deducting medical expenses not otherwise

reimbursed or compensated by reducing NM taxable income.

History: Originally enacted in 2005. This deduction has a sunset provision of January

1, 2025.

Evaluation: This is one of several citizen benefit expenditures related to unreimbursed

medical expenses. This program is available to all taxpayers, subject to percentages determined by adjusted gross income thresholds. On average

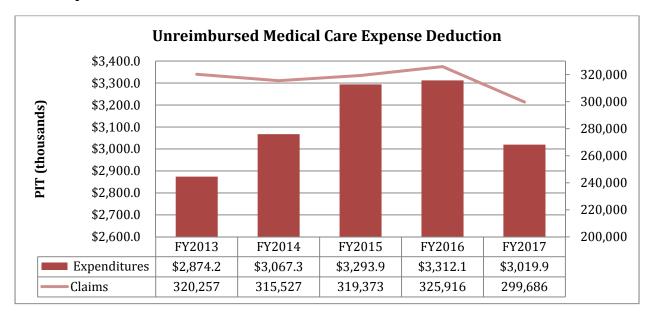
approximately 30% of taxpayers use this benefit.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 – The exemption amounts for each taxpayer claiming this exemption were

computed, making this data more reliable than in past years when an

average rate for all taxpayers was used.



UNREIMBURSED OR UNCOMPENSATED MEDICAL CARE EXPENSES EXEMPTION FROM PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Any individual who is 65 years or older may claim an additional exemption

from net income in an amount equal to \$3,000 for medical care expenses paid during the taxable year if those medical expenses exceed \$28,000 and are not reimbursed or compensated by insurance or otherwise. Medical expenses could be for the individual, the individual's spouse, or the

individual's dependents.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-5.9 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To accommodate taxpayers by deducting medical expenses not otherwise

reimbursed or compensated by reducing NM taxable income.

History: This exemption was enacted in 2005 and does not have a sunset provision

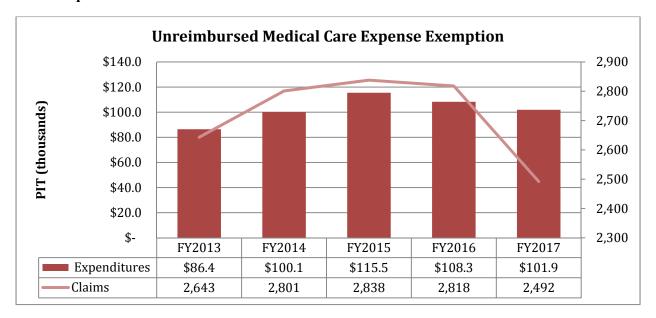
Evaluation: This is one of several citizen benefit expenditures related to unreimbursed

medical expenses.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: 1 – This expenditure is calculated directly using taxpayer data. No

estimating is required.



VEHICLES TITLED BEFORE JULY 1, 1991 EXEMPTION FROM LVGRT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Receipts from leasing by the owner of vehicles that were acquired by the

owner prior to July 1, 1991 are exempt from the LVGRT as long as the MVX

was paid and a certificate of title was issued prior to July 1, 1991.

Statutory Basis: 7-14A-9 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid retroactivity of taxes on vehicles titled before the

enactment date.

History: Originally enacted in 1991.

Evaluation: The majority of leases are 3 years and are for new vehicles. The likelihood

that someone would lease a 25-year-old car is very low due to its age and

high mileage unless they are being leased as vintage vehicles.

Recommendations: Repeal. At this point in time the exemption applies to very few, if any,

vehicles.

Reliability Factor: TRD's internal database does not have records of leases on vehicles which

were titled before July 1, 1991.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

VENTURE CAPITAL INVESTMENT CREDIT AGAINST PIT

Category: Economic Development

Brief Description: A taxpayer may claim a credit against PIT liability equal to a capital gain tax

differential (typically 50% of the federal income tax paid by the taxpayer on qualified diversifying business net capitals gains) if the taxpayer allocates

the qualified diversifying business net capital gain to New Mexico.

The credit is not refundable but may be carried forward indefinitely.

Statutory Basis: 7-2D-8.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To encourage strategic advances of the current business to facilitate

explorations of potential new businesses.

History: Originally enacted in 1995.

Evaluation: This credit is not being claimed.

Recommendations: Recommend repealing the credit. This credit appears to mirror the net

capital gain income deduction, and its use is precluded if the net capital gain

deduction is taken. A study to determine why the credit is unused is

recommended.

required.

Fiscal Impact: No taxpayers have claimed this credit.

VETERAN EMPLOYMENT CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: A taxpayer who employs a qualified military veteran in New Mexico is

eligible for a credit against the taxpayer's PIT and CIT liabilities in an amount up to \$1,000 of the gross wages paid during the taxable year for which the return is filed for each military veteran who is hired within two years of being honorably discharged, who works at least 40 hours per week,

and who was not previously employed by the taxpayer prior to the

deployment.

The credit can only be claimed for one year per individual veteran.

The credit is not refundable but may be carried forward for three years.

Applicable to taxable years beginning January 1, 2012 and ending January 1,

2017.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.28 and 7-2A-27 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To encourage the full-time employment of qualified military veterans within

two years of discharge from the armed forces of the United States.

History: Originally enacted in 2012.

Evaluation: The credit is underutilized. Possible explanations are that taxpayers are

unaware of the credit or the credit is too small to incentivize the hiring of

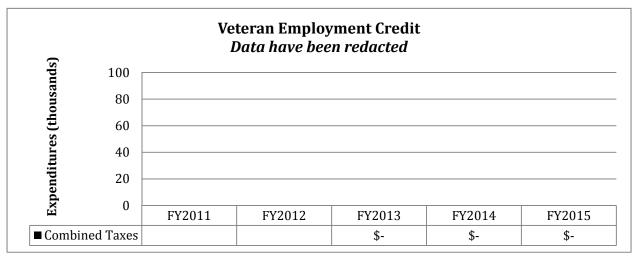
qualified veterans.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

Fiscal Impact: NOTE: Data for FY2011 and FY2012 have been redacted due to fewer than 3

taxpayers claiming the credit. No claims other years.



WELFARE-TO-WORK CREDIT AGAINST PIT AND CIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Prior to January 1, 2008, certain businesses, located in mostly rural counties,

that qualified for the federal welfare-to-work credit provided by 26 USC § 51A, may also have been eligible for the New Mexico welfare-to-work credit against PIT and CIT. Beginning January 1, 2008, 26 USC § 51A was repealed and replaced by federal work opportunity credit. Employers qualifying for the new federal work opportunity credit will not qualify for the New Mexico

credit.

The credit may be carried forward for up to three years.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.5 and 7-2A-8.8 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To encourage businesses to hire employees who have been long-term family

assistance recipients and who reside in high-unemployment counties.

History: Originally enacted in 1998.

Evaluation: This credit is rarely used. Now that the federal program to which this credit

was tied no longer exists, taxpayers are able to claim this credit to the extent that a taxpayer either carried forward the credit or amended a return for

activity that happened while the federal credit was still in effect.

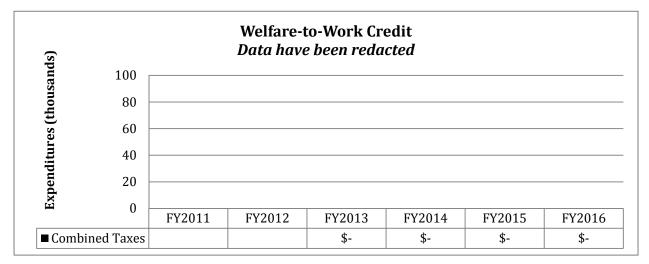
Presumably this accounts for the lack of activity since the credit expired.

Recommendations: Repeal. This credit is tied to a federal program that no longer exists, and

thus, this credit has no effect.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.

NOTE: Data for FY2011 through FY2017 have been redacted due to fewer than 3 taxpayers claiming the credit. There have been no claims since 2012 for the reasons stated above.



WIND AND SOLAR GENERATION EQUIPMENT GRT DEDUCTION

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: Receipts from selling wind generation equipment or solar generation

equipment to a federal or state government or agency for the purpose of installing a wind or solar electric generation facility are deductible from

gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-54.3 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to incentivize the development of wind and solar energy

sources.

History: Originally enacted in 2002 and amended in 2010.

Amended in 2010 to expand the deduction to include solar generation

equipment.

Evaluation: During the implementation of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

(ARRA), many levels of government, including state, municipalities and Indian nations, received ARRA grants to implement solar and wind energy projects. Given the ideal climate for wind and solar energy and long-term energy and cost efficiencies, ARRA funding provided the financial incentive

to pursue these projects. These energy cost efficiencies will benefit taxpayers in the long run as lower energy costs help constrained budgets. How much this GRT deduction is an incentive for further projects is unclear

given lack of data.

Recommendations: Consider expanding deduction to other levels of government including

counties and municipalities to further incentive development of wind and

solar energy.

Reliability Factor: No data are available to estimate the fiscal impact.

Fiscal Impact: Unknown.

WORKING FAMILIES CREDIT AGAINST PIT

Category: Citizen Benefits

Brief Description: Individuals may claim a credit against PIT equal to 10% of their federal

earned income tax credit.

The credit is refundable.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-18.15 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To reduce the tax burden on working families making below \$51,567 (as

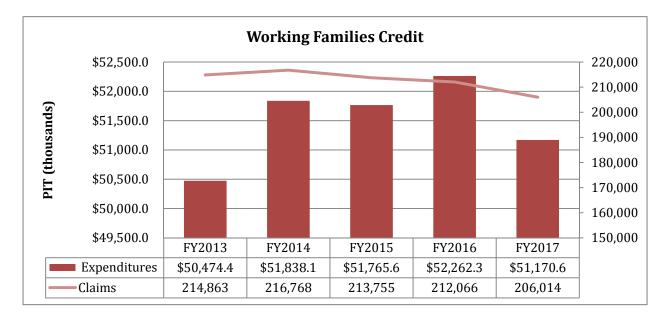
defined by Internal Revenue Code).

History: Originally enacted in 2007 and amended in 2008.

Evaluation: None.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor: ¶ 1 - This credit is separately reported. No estimation is required.



NOT TAX EXPENDITURES

While almost anything with respect to tax expenditures can be debated, little argument¹⁴ surrounds the following deviations from the tax code; therefore, we are comfortable classifying them as "Not Tax Expenditures".

Many of these deviations fall into one of two broad categories: 1) reducing the effects of pyramiding or 2) allowing deductions or exemptions under one tax program because the Legislature has elected to impose tax under another program. One of the detrimental impacts of a GRT system is that, absent a deviation, external costs of production are taxed at the time the producer acquires them and then again when the producer sells the final product. When compared to a sales tax system, this makes the cost of a good or service more expensive even when all factors other than the type of tax system are equal. Many of the deductions in New Mexico's GRT are designed to eliminate the taxation on the inputs so that the tax is only applied to the final product.

Furthermore, New Mexico policymakers have decided to use different tax structures to tax different activities (e.g., MVX for the sale of motor vehicles). Deviations from one structure when the activity is taxed under a different structure (e.g., GRT deduction for the sale of motor vehicles) prevent double taxation.

Several other deviations are in the code because of the federal preemption doctrine. Because states are prohibited from taxing the federal government, New Mexico is unable to impose a tax in these cases regardless of whether the deviation was placed in the code. Including it simply provides some measure of clarity to the taxpayer and the Taxation and Revenue Department.

Information about this category is not specifically required by Executive Order 2011-071. However, we have included some descriptive information about them in order to give the reader a more complete picture of the New Mexico tax landscape.

¹⁴ Note that this is intentionally different from saying that "there is no argument"; judgment calls are an inherent feature of tax expenditure analysis and the economists at the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department have used their best judgement in determining what is and what is not a tax expenditure.

ACCREDITED DIPLOMATS AND MISSIONS GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from the sale or lease of property to, or from performing services

for, accredited foreign missions or diplomats are deductible from gross receipts when required by a treaty to which the U.S. Government is a

signatory.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-89 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to comply with the preemption doctrine.

History: Originally enacted in 1998.

ACQUISITION OF VEHICLE FOR SUBSEQUENT LEASE EXEMPTION FROM MVX

Brief Description: A person who acquires a vehicle for subsequent lease is exempt from the

MVX if:

(1) the person does not use the vehicle in any manner other than holding it for lease or sale or leasing or selling it in the ordinary course of business;

(2) the lease is for a term of more than 6 months;

(3) the receipts from the subsequent lease are subject to GRT; and

(4) the vehicle does not have a gross vehicle weight of over 26,000 pounds.

Statutory Basis: 7-14-6(F) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to define the tax base and avoid pyramiding as there is a

requirement the subsequent lease be subject to GRT.

History: The section was originally enacted in 1988 and was amended in 1990, 1994,

2004, and 2007. The language in this subsection was added as part of the

amendment in 1994.

ACQUISITION OF VEHICLE MORE THAN 30 DAYS BEFORE MOVING TO NM EXEMPTION FROM MVX

Brief Description: A person who acquires a vehicle out of state thirty or more days before

establishing a domicile in this state is exempt from the tax if the vehicle was

acquired for personal use.

Statutory Basis: 7-14-6(A) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to eliminate an unreasonable tax burden on non-residents

relocating to New Mexico on personally owned and operated vehicles.

History: Originally enacted in 1988.

ATHLETIC FACILITY SURCHARGE EXEMPTION FROM GRT AND GGRT

Brief Description: Exempted from the GRT and from the GGRT are the receipts of a university

from an athletic facility surcharge imposed pursuant to the University

Athletic Facility Funding Act.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-41.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple programs. Because the

University Athletic Funding Act allows a university to impose an athletic facility surcharge on products and services sold at or related to the facility, this exempts those sales from the GRT and GGRT so that they are not taxed

twice.

History: Originally enacted in 2007 as part of the legislation that enacted the

University Athletic Facility Funding Act.

BAD DEBTS DEDUCTION FROM ITGRT

Brief Description: Refunds and allowances made to buyers of interstate telecommunications

services or amounts written off the books as an uncollectible debt by a person reporting ITGRT on an accrual basis are deductible from interstate

telecommunications gross receipts.

If debts reported as uncollectible are subsequently collected, the receipts must be included in interstate telecommunications gross receipts when they

are collected.

Statutory Basis: 7-9C-9 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to properly define the tax base and avoid requiring a taxpayer

to pay taxes on non-existent receipts.

History: Originally enacted in 1992.

BIODIESEL FOR SUBSEQUENT BLENDING OR RESALE BY A RACK OPERATOR DEDUCTION FROM PETROLEUM PRODUCTS LOADING FEE

Brief Description: Biodiesel loaded in or imported into New Mexico and delivered to a rack

operator for subsequent blending or resale by a rack operator is deductible from gallons used to determine loads for the purposes of calculating the

petroleum products loading fee.

Statutory Basis: 7-13A-5(B) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: The section was originally enacted in 1990. This subsection was created by

an amendment in 2014.

BOATS EXEMPTION FROM GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX

Brief Description: Both the receipts from selling, and the use of, boats on which an excise tax is

imposed are exempt from the GRT and the compensating tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-22.1 and 7-9-23.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple programs as these exemptions

only apply to those boats on which a tax is imposed pursuant to Section 66-

12-6.1 NMSA 1978.

History: Originally enacted in 1987.

BUSINESS LOCATED ON LAND OWNED BY THE MUNICIPALITY BUT OUTSIDE THE MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES EXEMPTION FROM SUPPLEMENTAL MUNICIPAL GRT AND MUNICIPAL LOCAL OPTION GRT

Brief Description: A business located outside of the boundaries of a municipality on land

owned by that municipality is exempt from the supplemental municipal GRT

and the municipal local option GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-19-14(B) and 7-19D-5(B) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to resolve a jurisdictional question and provide certainty about

the tax rate that applies in this situation (without this clarification, there

could be arguments about which tax rate applies).

History: Originally enacted in 1979 and amended in 1983 and 1994.

CERTAIN RETAIL SALES OF GASOLINE ON AN INDIAN RESERVATION, PUEBLO GRANT OR TRUST LAND DEDUCTION FROM GASOLINE TAX

Brief Description: A person may deduct a percentage equal to the rate the Indian nation, tribe,

or pueblo charges divided by the rate the state charges from the gasoline gallons received that are sold at retail on Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo land.

Statutory Basis: 7-13-4.4 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to address multi-jurisdictional taxation as the deduction may

only be taken if the Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo has certified that it has in

effect an excise, privilege, or similar tax on gasoline.

History: Originally enacted in 2000.

CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS EXEMPTION FROM PIT

Brief Description: Religious, educational, benevolent, or other organizations not organized for

profit which are exempt from income taxation under the Internal Revenue Code are exempt from PIT and CIT; however, PIT and CIT apply to the

unrelated business income of the organization.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-4(B) and 7-2A-4(C) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To define the tax base.

History: The PIT exemption was originally enacted in 1965 and amended in 1969,

1971, and 1981.

The CIT exemption was originally enacted in 1981 and amended in 1986 and

1989.

CHEMICALS AND REAGENTS GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from selling chemicals or reagents to any mining, milling, or oil

company for use in processing ores or oil in a mill, smelter, or refinery or in acidizing oil wells, and receipts from selling chemicals or reagents in lots in

excess of eighteen tons are deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-65 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969.

CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from selling construction material are deductible from gross

receipts if the sale is made to a person engaged in the construction business.

The buyer must present a nontaxable transaction certificate to the seller and incorporate the construction material as:

(1) an ingredient or component part of a construction project that is subject to the GRT upon its completion or upon the completion of the overall construction project of which it is a part;

(2) an ingredient or component part of a construction project that is subject to the GRT upon the sale in the ordinary course of business of the real property upon which it was constructed; or

(3) an ingredient or component part of a construction project that is located on the tribal territory of an Indian nation, tribe or pueblo.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-51 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 2000 and 2001.

CONSTRUCTION SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION-RELATED SERVICE GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description:

Receipts from selling a construction service or a construction-related service are deductible from gross receipts if the sale is made to a person engaged in the construction business.

The buyer must present a nontaxable transaction certificate to the seller and have the construction services or construction-related services directly contracted for or billed to:

- (1) a construction project that is subject to the GRT upon its completion or upon the completion of the overall construction project of which it is a part;
- (2) a construction project that is subject to the GRT upon the sale in the ordinary course of business of the real property upon which it was constructed; or
- (3) a construction project that is located on the tribal territory of an Indian nation, tribe or pueblo.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-52 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 2000 and 2012. The 2012

amendment included the deduction for constructed-related services.

DIVIDENDS AND INTEREST EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: Interest on money loaned or deposited; dividends or interest from stocks,

bonds, or securities; and receipts from the sale of stocks, bonds, or securities are exempt from GRT. This exemption exists because the above are taxed

under the personal income tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-25 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably enacted as a base defining measure.

History: Originally enacted in 1969.

DYED GASOLINE USED FOR OFF-ROAD TRANSPORTATION DEDUCTION FROM GASOLINE TAX

Brief Description: Gasoline that is dyed in accordance with TRD regulations and is not used in

motor vehicles operating on the highways of New Mexico is deductible from

the gasoline tax but is subject to GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-13-4(D) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to recognize that off-road vehicles don't contribute to the

deterioration of the roads, the maintenance of which is funded through the

gasoline tax distributions to the State Road Fund.

History: The section was originally enacted in 1991 and amended in 1997, 1998,

1999, and 2007.

The language in this subsection was created by an amendment in 1998.

DYED SPECIAL FUEL DEDUCTION FROM SPECIAL FUEL EXCISE TAX

Brief Description: Special fuels dyed in accordance with federal regulations are deductible

from the special fuel excise tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-16A-10(E) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to recognize that off-road vehicles do not contribute to the

deterioration of the roads, the maintenance of which is funded through the

special fuel excise tax distributions to the State Road Fund.

History: This section was originally enacted in 1992 and amended in 1993, 1997,

1998, 2001, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, and 2013.

EVENT CENTER SURCHARGE EXEMPTION FROM GRT AND GGRT

Brief Description: Receipts from selling tickets, parking, souvenirs, concessions, programs,

advertising, merchandise, corporate suites or boxes, broadcast revenues, and all other products or services sold at or related to a municipal event center on which an event center surcharge is imposed pursuant to the Municipal Event Center Funding Act are exempt from GRT and GGRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-13.5 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple tax programs as the receipts

have to be subject to an event center surcharge in order to be exempt.

History: Originally enacted in 2005 as part of the legislation that enacted the

Municipal Event Center Funding Act.

Evaluation: The Municipal Event Center Funding Act provides an additional method of

accessing the capital markets to meet the need for a complete funding package for functional and modern municipal event centers. Because the Municipal Event Center Funding Act allows a municipality to impose an event center surcharge on products and services sold at or related to the stadium, these exemptions from the GRT and GGRT prevent them from being

taxed twice.

FILMS AND TAPES GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from leasing theatrical and television films and tapes to movie

theaters or similar facilities when the theater's receipts are subject to GRT

are deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-76.2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1984.

FOOD STAMPS/SNAP EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: Receipts of retailers from the redemption of food stamps are exempt from

GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-18.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: This program is not considered a tax expenditure because of the Code of

Federal Regulations Title 7, Subtitle B, Chapter II C, §278.2 prohibits the state from taxing food purchased with SNAP coupons. The statute's intended purpose is presumably to lower the cost of food for those who qualify for and use food stamps (aka Supplemental Nutrition Assistance

Program or "SNAP").

History: Originally enacted in 1987.

Evaluation: Presumably to comply with the federal preemption doctrine. This exemption

only applies when a SNAP recipient does not buy food from one of 1,541 qualified SNAP points of sale in the state. Because of this, the estimated amounts for this exemption are relatively small when compared to the total

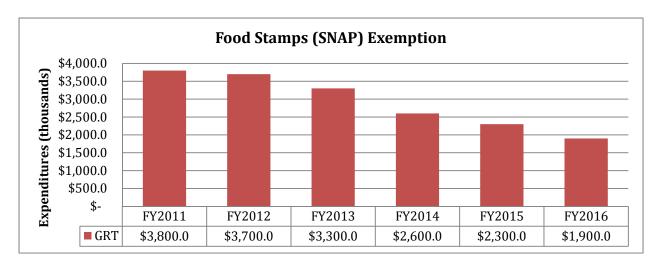
amount of SNAP exemptions, as reported by HSD.

Recommendations: None.

Reliability Factor:

3 – Using expenditure and case number data from HSD between FY2011 and FY2016, the annual average GRT rate was applied to the annual dollar amounts of SNAP expenditures. To estimate the amounts of these expenditures TRD assumed a maximum exemption rate of 9% starting in FY2010 and a 4% exemption rate ending in FY2014. This exemption applies when SNAP benefits are used to purchase food from a qualified retail food store. Therefore, receipts under Section 7-9-92 NMSA 1978 may not be deducted if they are exempted by Section 7-9-18.1 NMSA 1978.

Fiscal Impact:



FUEL EXEMPTION FROM GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX

Brief Description: The selling and the use of gasoline, special fuel, or alternative fuel on which

the tax imposed by other acts have been paid are exempt from GRT and

compensating tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-26 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple tax programs as the fuels must

be taxed pursuant to the gasoline tax, the special fuel excise tax, or the

Alternative Fuel Tax Act in order to qualify for the exemption.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1971, 1980, 1981, 1983, 1993,

and 1995.

GASOLINE OR SPECIAL FUELS RETURNED TO THE REFINER AS UNCOLLECTIBLE DEDUCTION FROM PETROLEUM PRODUCTS LOADING FEE

Brief Description: Gasoline and special fuels that are returned to the refiner, pipeline terminal

operator, or distributor are deductible from the gallons used to determine loads for purposes of calculating the PPLF when refunds and allowances are

made to buyers for the returned fuel.

Gasoline and special fuels, the payment for which has not been collected and

has been determined to be uncollectible, are deductible from the gallons

used to determine loads for purposes of calculating the PPLF.

Statutory Basis: 7-13A-5(A) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to ensure that taxes are not paid on gasoline and special fuel

which the taxpayer is unable to market.

History: Originally enacted in 1990 and amended in 2014.

INCOME ALLOCATION AND APPORTIONMENT CREDIT AGAINST CIT

Brief Description: Net income of any taxpayer having income that is taxable both within and

without this state shall be apportioned and allocated pursuant to the

Uniform Division of Income for Tax Purposes Act.

Statutory Basis: 7-2A-8 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To define the tax base and prevent New Mexico from taxing income that is

properly attributed to another state per the U.S. Commerce Clause.

History: Originally enacted in 1981 and amended in 1983, 1986, 1990, 1995, and

1996.

INDIANS EXEMPTION FROM PIT

Brief Description: Income earned by a member of a New Mexico federally-recognized Indian

nation, tribe, band or pueblo, the member's spouse or dependent, who is a member of a New Mexico federally-recognized Indian nation, tribe, band or pueblo, is exempt from PIT if the income is earned from work performed within and the member, spouse or dependent lives within the boundaries of the Indian member's or the spouse's reservation or pueblo grant or within the boundaries of lands held in trust by the U.S. for the benefit of the

member or spouse or his nation, tribe, band or pueblo, subject to restriction

against alienation imposed by the U.S..

Statutory Basis: 7-2-5.5 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To define the tax base and comply with federal restraints on state taxation

under federal Indian law.

History: Originally enacted in 1995.

INSURANCE COMPANIES EXEMPTION FROM CIT

Brief Description: Insurance companies that pay a premium tax to the state are exempt from

CIT.

Statutory Basis: 7-2A-4(A) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To avoid taxation under multiple programs as qualification for the

exemption is dependent upon paying a premium tax.

History: Originally enacted in 1981 and amended in 1986 and 1989.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL COAL SEVERANCE CREDIT AGAINST COAL SEVERANCE TAX

Brief Description: A person who severs coal from tribal land may claim a credit against the coal

severance tax and the coal surtax imposed under Section 7-26-6 NMSA 1978.

The credit is calculated monthly and is equal to 75% of the lesser of:

(1) the aggregate amount of taxes in effect on March 1, 2001 imposed by the Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo; or

(2) the aggregate amount of coal severance tax and the coal

surtax due the state.

Statutory Basis: 7-29C-2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably in deference to the sovereignty of Indian nation, tribes, and

pueblos and address issues with multi-jurisdictional taxation.

History: Originally enacted in 2001.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL CREDIT AGAINST CIT

Brief Description: A new business which opens on Indian land after July 1, 1997 may claim a

credit against the CIT.

The credit is calculated for each reporting period and is equal to 50% of the lesser of:

(1) the aggregate amount of tax paid by the taxpayer; or

(2) the amount of the taxpayer's CIT due from the new business'

activity on Indian land.

Statutory Basis: 7-2A-16 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To accommodate principles of fair apportionment between the tribes and

the state.

History: Originally enacted in 1997.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL PRODUCTION AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT CREDIT AGAINST OIL AND GAS SEVERANCE TAX, OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION TAX, OIL AND GAS EMERGENCY SCHOOL TAX, AND OIL AND GAS AD VALOREM PRODUCTION TAX

Brief Description:

A person who severs products from tribal land may claim a credit against the oil and gas severance tax, the oil and gas conservation tax, the oil and gas emergency school tax, or the oil and gas ad valorem production tax.

The credit is calculated monthly and is equal to 75% of the lesser of:

- (1) the aggregate amount of taxes in effect on March 1, 1995 imposed by the Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo; or
- (2) the aggregate amount of oil and gas severance tax, the oil and gas conservation tax, the oil and gas emergency school tax, or the oil and gas ad valorem production tax due the state.

A person who is liable for the payment of the oil and gas production equipment ad valorem tax imposed on equipment located on Indian tribal land may claim a credit.

The credit is calculated monthly and is equal to 75% of the lesser of:

- (1) the aggregate amount of ad valorem or similar taxes in effect on March 1, 1995 imposed by the Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo; or
- (2) the aggregate amount of oil and gas production equipment tax due the state.

Statutory Basis: 7-29C-1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably in deference to the sovereignty of Indian nations, tribes, and

pueblos and to address the cumulative tax burden of multijurisdictional

taxation.

History: Originally enacted in 1995 and amended in 1999.

INTERNET SERVICES GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from providing telecommunications, Internet, or Internet access

services to internet service providers are deductible.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-56.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding as the final user must be subject to the

GRT or ITGRT.

History: Originally enacted in 1998 and amended in 2000.

INTERSTATE SALES OF SPIRTUOUS LIQUORS, BEER, & WINE AND WINEGROWER-TO-WINEGROWER TRANSFERS DEDUCTION FROM LIQUOR EXCISE TAX

Brief Description: A wholesaler who sells and ships liquor, beer, or wine out of state may claim

a deduction for those liters from the units of alcoholic beverages subject to

the liquor excise tax.

A winegrower who transfers wine to another winegrower for processing, bottling, or storage and subsequently returns the wine to the original winegrower may claim a deduction for those liters from the units of wine

subject to the liquor excise tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-17-6 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to increase New Mexico winegrowers' competitiveness in other

states with respect to the out-of-state deduction and to ensure that the product is not taxed twice (once in New Mexico and once in the other state);

and to reduce tax pyramiding with respect to the winegrower-to-

winegrower transfers.

History: Originally enacted in 1984 and amended in 1995 and 2008.

INTERSTATE SALES OF TOBACCO DEDUCTION AGAINST TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX

Brief Description: The value of tobacco products sold and shipped or given and shipped to a

person in another state is deductible from the product value subject to tax

imposed by the Tobacco Products Tax Act.

Statutory Basis: 7-12A-5 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to ensure that the product is not taxed twice (once in New

Mexico and again in the other state).

History: Originally enacted in 1986.

INTERSTATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: Receipts from selling or providing interstate telecommunications services

that are subject to ITGRT are exempt

Statutory Basis: 7-9-38.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple programs as the exemption

only applies to the sale or provision of interstate telecommunications services subject to the tax imposed by the Interstate Telecommunications

Gross Receipts Tax Act¹⁵.

History: Originally enacted in 1992 and amended in 1993.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE TRANSACTIONS DEDUCTION FROM LVGRT

Brief Description: Receipts from transactions in interstate commerce are deductible from

gross receipts to the extent that the imposition of the leased vehicle gross receipts tax would be unlawful under the United States Constitution.

Statutory Basis: 7-14A-7 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To comport with U.S. Constitutional limitations on state taxation under the

Commerce Clause.

History: Originally enacted in 1991.

¹⁵ Section 7-9C-1 NMSA 1978

JEWELRY MANUFACTURING GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from selling tangible personal property are deductible from gross

receipts if it is incorporated as an ingredient or component part of the

jewelry the buyer is in the business of manufacturing.

The deduction allowed a seller under this section shall not exceed \$5,000 during any twelve-month period attributable to purchases by a single

purchaser.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-74 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding as the deduction only applies if the

sale is made to a person who uses the property as an ingredient or

component part of the jewelry the buyer manufactures.

History: Originally enacted in 1971 and amended in 1975 and 1994.

JICARILLA APACHE TRIBAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TAX CREDIT AGAINST OIL AND GAS EMERGENCY SCHOOL TAX

Brief Description: A person who is liable for the payment of the oil and gas emergency school

tax imposed on products severed from Jicarilla Apache tribal land shall be entitled to a credit against the oil and gas emergency school tax for

qualifying products.

The credit is calculated monthly and is equal to the lesser of:

(1) the Jicarilla Apache tribal capital improvements tax; or

(2) .7% of the taxable value of the products severed from

qualified wells.

Statutory Basis: 7-31-27 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably in deference to the sovereignty of Indian nations, tribes, and

pueblos and address issues with multi-jurisdictional taxation. The Jicarilla Apache tribal capital improvements tax is exclusively dedicated to fund capital improvements projects on Jicarilla Apache tribal land and is not available to finance the construction of buildings used for commercial

activity.

History: Originally enacted in 2002.

LEASE FOR SUBSEQUENT LEASE GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from leasing tangible personal property or licenses used for

subsequent lease in the ordinary course of business are deductible from

gross receipts.

The lessee must provide a nontaxable transaction certificate to the lessor.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-50 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1972, 1975, 1979, 1983, 1991,

and 1992.

LEASE OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from leasing construction equipment are deductible from gross

receipts if the lease is made to a person engaged in the construction

business.

The lessee must present a nontaxable transaction certificate to the lessor and use the construction equipment at the location of:

(1) a construction project that is subject to the GRT upon its completion or upon the completion of the overall construction project of which it is a part;

(2) a construction project that is subject to the GRT upon the sale in the ordinary course of business of the real property upon which it was constructed; or

(3) a construction project that is located on the tribal territory of an Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-52.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 2012.

NATURAL GAS ALREADY TAXED EXEMPTION FROM NATURAL GAS PROCESSORS TAX

Brief Description: The tax shall not be levied more than once on the same natural gas.

Statutory Basis: 7-33-7 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid double taxation.

History: Originally enacted in 1963 and amended in 1998.

NATURAL RESOURCES SUBJECT TO RESOURCES EXCISE TAX EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: Receipts from the sale or processing of natural resources the severance or

processing of which are subject to the resources excise tax are exempt from

gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-35 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple tax programs as the exemption

only applies to natural resources the severance of which are subject to the

taxes imposed by the Resources Excise Tax Act.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1984 and 1989.

"NET INCOME" EXEMPTIONS FROM PIT

Brief Description: Income (in the form of interest) derived from U.S. government obligations is

excluded from the definition of "net income" and therefore exempt from PIT.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-2(N)(4) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To comply with the preemption doctrine.

History: Originally enacted in 1991.

NONRESIDENT EXEMPTION FROM ESTATE TAX

Brief Description: The transfer of the personal property of a nonresident is exempt from the

estate tax to the extent that the personal property of residents is exempt from taxation under the laws of the state in which the nonresident is

domiciled.

Statutory Basis: 7-7-4(D) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the administrative commitment between states.

History: Originally enacted in 1973 and amended in 1999.

OCCASIONAL SALE OF PROPERTY OR SERVICES EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: Receipts from the isolated or occasional sale or leasing of property or a

service by a person who is not in the business of selling or leasing the same

or similar property or service are exempt from GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-28 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to properly define the tax base.

History: Originally enacted in 1969.

OIL AND GAS OR MINERAL INTERESTS EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: Receipts from the sale or lease of oil, natural gas, or mineral interests are

exempt from GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-32 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969.

ONE-WAY HAUL AND EMPTY TRAVEL RATE DIFFERENTIAL FROM WDT

Brief Description: If (1) a motor vehicle is customarily used for one-way haul, (2) the motor

vehicle travels empty of all load for at least 45% of the mileage traveled during a registration year, and (3) the registrant of the vehicle has made a

sworn application, the tax is two-thirds of the standard WDT.

Statutory Basis: 7-15A-6(B) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to appropriately tax vehicles according to their wear and tear

on New Mexico roads.

History: Originally enacted in 1988 and amended in 2003 (1st SS), and 2004.

PERSONAL EFFECTS

EXEMPTION FROM COMPENSATING TAX

Brief Description: The use by an individual of personal or household effects brought into the

state in connection with the establishment by the individual of an initial residence in this state and the use of property brought into the state by a nonresident for his/her own nonbusiness use while temporarily within this

state are exempt from compensating tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-27 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid a tax burden on anyone relocating to New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 1969.

PETROLEUM PRODUCTS EXPORTED FOR RESALE EXEMPTION FROM PETROLEUM PRODUCTS LOADING FEE

Brief Description: Petroleum products that are either loaded into cargo tanks in New Mexico

and exported for resale and consumption outside of New Mexico or are imported into New Mexico and subsequently exported for resale and consumption outside of New Mexico are exempt from the PPLF.

Statutory Basis: 7-13A-4(A) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to properly define the tax base and the loading fee typically

supports environmental issues related to the storage of fuel in New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 1991.

PROCESSORS TAX PAID ON NATURAL RESOURCES EXEMPTION FROM RESOURCES TAX

Brief Description: The taxable value of any natural resource that is processed in New Mexico

and on whose taxable value the processors tax is paid is exempt from the

resources tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-25-7 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple tax programs, as the

processors tax on the processed natural resource must be paid to qualify for

the exemption.

History: Originally enacted in 1966.

PRODUCTS ALREADY TAXED EXEMPTION FROM OIL AND GAS AD VALOREM PRODUCTION TAX

Brief Description: The tax shall not be levied more than once on the same product.

Statutory Basis: 7-32-8 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid double taxation. This is similar to 7-33-7 Natural Gas.

This is already taxed under the Natural Gas Processors Tax.

History: Originally enacted in 1959.

PRODUCTS ALREADY TAXED EXEMPTION FROM OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION TAX

Brief Description: The tax shall not be levied more than once on the same product.

Statutory Basis: 7-30-8 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid double taxation. This is similar to 7-33-7 Natural Gas.

This is already taxed under the Natural Gas Processors Tax.

History: Originally enacted in 1959 and amended in 1989.

PRODUCTS ALREADY TAXED EXEMPTION FROM OIL AND GAS EMERGENCY SCHOOL TAX

Brief Description: The tax shall not be levied more than once on the same product.

Statutory Basis: 7-31-8 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid double taxation. This is similar to 7-33-7 Natural Gas.

This is already taxed under the Natural Gas Processors Tax.

History: Originally enacted in 1959.

PRODUCTS ALREADY TAXED EXEMPTION FROM OIL AND GAS SEVERANCE TAX

Brief Description: The tax shall not be levied more than once on the same product.

Statutory Basis: 7-29-5 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid double taxation. This is similar to 7-33-7 Natural Gas.

This is already taxed under the Natural Gas Processors Tax.

History: Originally enacted in 1959.

PRODUCTS SUBJECT TO OIL AND GAS EMERGENCY SCHOOL TAX EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: Unless the sale of products is for: (1) subsequent resale in the ordinary

course of business, (2) consumption outside the state, or (3) use as an ingredient or component part of a manufactured product, receipts from the sale of products are exempt from GRT when they are subject to the oil and

gas emergency school tax.

The storage or use of crude oil, natural gas or liquid hydrocarbons for fuel in the operation of a production unit, as defined in the Oil and Gas Emergency School Tax Act, will not be subject to gross receipts tax or compensating tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-33 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple tax programs, as the exemption

only applies to those products the severance of which is subject to the tax

imposed by the Oil and Gas Emergency School Tax Act.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1975, 1984, and 1989.

PURCHASE FOR RESALE EXEMPTION FROM LOCAL LIQUOR EXCISE TAX

Brief Description: Purchases for sale to retailers for resale are exempt from the local liquor

excise tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-24-13 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding and define the tax base.

History: Originally enacted in 1989.

PURCHASE OF UNDYED GASOLINE FOR CERTAIN OFF-ROAD USE REFUND OF GASOLINE TAX

Brief Description: A person using gasoline in the operation of a clothes cleaning establishment,

in stoves or other appliances burning gasoline, or operators of aircraft using aviation gasoline exclusively in the operation of aircraft may purchase

undyed gasoline and may claim a refund of gasoline tax paid.

Statutory Basis: 7-13-17 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to recognize that these activities do not contribute to the

deterioration of the roads, the maintenance of which is funded through the

gasoline tax distributions to the State Road Fund.

History: Originally enacted in 1998.

PURCHASES BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE STATE GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from the sale of property or services purchased by or on behalf of

the State of New Mexico from funds obtained from the forfeiture of financial assurance pursuant to the New Mexico Mining Act or the forfeiture of financial responsibility pursuant to the Water Quality Act are deductible

from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-97 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to relieve mining companies from the obligation to estimate

(and potentially overpay) the GRT cost incurred by a third-party contractor that would complete the reclamation work on behalf of the state in the event

the company failed to conduct the reclamation work.

History: Originally enacted in 2005.

REFINERS AND PERSONS SUBJECT TO NATURAL GAS PROCESSORS TAX EXEMPTION FROM GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX

Brief Description:

Unless the sale or processing of products are for (1) subsequent resale in the ordinary course of business, (2) consumption outside the state, or (3) use as an ingredient or component part of a manufactured product, receipts from the sale or processing of products that are subject to the natural gas processors tax are exempt from the GRT.

Receipts from storing or using crude oil, natural gas, or liquid hydrocarbons when stored or used in New Mexico by a "processor" or by a person engaged in the business of refining oil, natural gas, or liquid hydrocarbons who stores or uses the crude oil, natural gas, or liquid hydrocarbons in the regular course of his refining business are exempt from GRT and compensating tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-34 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to define the tax base with respect to the first part of the

exemption which only applies to the sale or processing of products the processing of which is subject to the natural gas processors tax. The second

part of the exemption is presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1970, 1975, 1984, and 1989.

RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: Receipts of a minister of a 501(c)(3) religious organization from performing

religious services to an individual recipient of the service are exempt from

GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-41 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to prevent taxation of expenses that are effectively business

inputs of a 501(c)(3) religious organization.

History: Originally enacted in 1972.

RESALE ACTIVITIES OF AN ARMED FORCES INSTRUMENTALITY EXEMPTION FROM GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX

Brief Description: Receipts from selling tangible personal property and the use of property by

any instrumentality of the armed forces of the United States engaged in

resale activities are exempt from GRT and compensating tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-31 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to comply with the preemption doctrine and to reduce tax

pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969.

RETURNED OR DESTROYED TOBACCO PRODUCTS REFUND OR CREDIT AGAINST TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX

Brief Description: Taxpayers who have paid the tobacco products tax on tobacco products that

are destroyed or returned to the seller by the first purchaser as spoiled or otherwise unfit for sale or consumption are entitled to a refund of or credit

against the tobacco products tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-12A-6 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to define the tax base and avoid requiring a taxpayer to pay

taxes on unusable tobacco products that have no value.

History: Originally enacted in 1986 and amended in 1988.

SALE OF A SERVICE FOR RESALE GRT AND GGRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from selling a service for resale are deductible from gross receipts

or governmental gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-48 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to define the tax base and avoid tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1992, and 2000.

The 2000 amendment clarified that the resale must be subject to the GRT or GGRT in order to qualify for the deduction and removed the requirement that the buyer separately state the value of the service purchased in his

charge for the service on it subsequent sale.

SALE OF A SERVICE FOR RESALE DEDUCTION FROM ITGRT

Brief Description: Receipts from providing an interstate telecommunications service that will

be used by other persons in providing telephone or telegraph services to the final user are deductible from interstate telecommunications gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9C-7 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to define the tax base.

History: Originally enacted in 1992 and amended in 1998.

SALE OF AEROSPACE SERVICES FOR THE U.S. AIR FORCE GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from performing or selling aerospace research and development

for resale to an organization for resale to the U.S., other than a national

laboratory, are deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-54.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To incentivize the U.S. Air Force to relocate the Space Systems Division) to

New Mexico.

History: Originally enacted in 1992 and amended in 1993, 1994, and 1995.

SALE OF GASOLINE AT RETAIL BY A REGISTERED INDIAN TRIBAL DISTRIBUTOR DEDUCTION FROM GASOLINE TAX

Brief Description: Gasoline received in New Mexico and sold at retail by a registered Indian

tribal distributor is deductible from the gasoline tax, to the extent it's taxed

by the Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo, if:

(1) the sale occurs on the distributor's Indian reservation, pueblo grant, or trust land,

(2) the gasoline is placed into the fuel supply tank of a motor vehicle on that reservation, pueblo grant, or trust land, and

(3) the Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo has certified that it has in effect an excise, privilege, or similar tax on the gasoline

Statutory Basis: 7-13-4(E) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to prevent or reduce the effects of multi-jurisdictional taxation.

History: The section was originally enacted in 1991 and amended in 1997, 1998,

1999 and 2007.

The language in this subsection was created by an amendment in 1999.

SALE OF GASOLINE BY A REGISTERED INDIAN TRIBAL DISTRIBUTOR FROM A NON-MOBILE STORAGE CONTAINER DEDUCTION FROM GASOLINE TAX

Brief Description: Gasoline that is received in New Mexico and sold by a registered Indian

tribal distributor from a non-mobile storage container within that distributor's Indian reservation, pueblo grant, or trust land for resale outside the Indian reservation, pueblo grant, or trust land is deductible from the gasoline tax as long as the distributor sold at least 1 million gallons of gasoline between May and August 1998 and that the amount of gasoline deducted by a registered Indian tribal distributor doesn't exceed 2.5 million

gallons per month.

Statutory Basis: 7-13-4(F) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to prevent and reduce the effects of multi-jurisdictional

taxation.

History: The section was originally enacted in 1991 and amended in 1997, 1998,

1999, and 2007.

The language in this subsection was created by an amendment in 1999.

SALE OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR LEASING GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from selling tangible personal property and licenses to a buyer who

leases or sells the tangible personal property or license are deductible from

gross receipts.

The buyer must present a nontaxable transaction certificate to the seller.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-49 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to define the tax base and avoid tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1972, 1975, 1979, 1983, 1989,

1991, and 1992.

SALE OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR RESALE GRT AND GGRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from selling tangible personal property or licenses to a buyer who

resells the tangible personal property or license are deductible from gross

receipts or from governmental gross receipts.

The buyer must present a nontaxable transaction certificate to the seller.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-47 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to define the tax base and avoid tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1992 and 1994.

SALES THROUGH WORLD WIDE WEB SITES GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts derived from the sale of a service or property made through a

website to a person with a billing address outside New Mexico are

deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-57.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably because taxation of interstate commerce is prohibited by the

U.S. Constitution's Commerce Clause.

History: Originally enacted in 1998.

SALES TO MANUFACTURERS GRT AND GGRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description:

Receipts from selling tangible personal property that will be incorporated as an ingredient or component part to a person in the manufacturing business are deductible from gross receipts and governmental gross receipts.

Receipts from selling tangible personal property that is consumed in the manufacturing process to a person in the manufacturing business are deductible from gross receipts and governmental gross receipts according to the following schedule:

• 20% of receipts received before January 1, 2014;

40% of receipts received in calendar year 2014;

• 60% of receipts received in calendar year 2015;

• 80% of receipts received in calendar year 2016;

• 100% of receipts received on or after January 1, 2017.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-46 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1992, 2012 and 2013.

The 2012 amendment provided the phase-in deduction for the sale of tangible personal property consumed in the manufacturing process

(Subsection B).

The 2013 amendment defined the term "consumable."

SCHOOL BUS DEDUCTION FROM SPECIAL FUEL EXCISE TAX

Brief Description: Special fuel (number 2 diesel) used in school buses that are contracted with

the Public Education Department is deductible from computing the special

fuel excise tax due.

Statutory Basis: 7-16A-10(F) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the costs to government since the State of New Mexico

purchases this fuel.

History: Originally enacted in 1992, 1993, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009,

and 2013.

SCHOOL BUS EXEMPTION FROM WDT

Brief Description: Use of the highways of New Mexico by school buses is exempt from the

WDT.

Statutory Basis: 7-15A-5(A) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the costs to government.

History: Originally enacted in 1988 and amended in 2006.

SERVICES ON MANUFACTURED PRODUCTS GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from selling the service of combining or processing components or

materials to a manufacturer are deductible from gross receipts. The service must be performed directly upon the tangible personal property the buyer is in the business of manufacturing or upon the ingredient or component parts

thereof.

The buyer must present a nontaxable transaction certificate to the seller.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-75 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding as the service must be performed

directly upon tangible personal property for a manufacturer as part of the

readying of raw materials or in the manufacturing process.

History: Originally enacted in 1972.

SERVICES PERFORMED OUTSIDE THE STATE CREDIT AGAINST ITGRT

Brief Description: A taxpayer who has paid a sales, use, gross receipts, or similar tax to another

state on the same interstate telecommunications gross receipts that are subject to New Mexico's ITGRT is entitled to a credit against the ITGRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9C-10 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To comply with U.S. Commerce Clause concerns and prevent actual multi-

jurisdictional taxation of the privilege of engaging in business of providing

interstate telecommunications services.

History: Originally enacted in 1992.

STOCK BONUS, PENSION, AND PROFIT-SHARING TRUSTS EXEMPTION FROM PIT AND CIT

Brief Description: A trust organized or created in the U.S. and forming part of a stock bonus,

pension, or profit-sharing plan of an employer for the exclusive benefit of his employees or their beneficiaries which is exempt from taxation under the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code is exempt from PIT and CIT.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-4(A) and 7-2A-4(B) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To define the tax base.

History: The PIT exemption was originally enacted in 1965 and amended in 1969,

1971, and 1981.

The CIT exemption was originally enacted in 1981 and amended in 1986 and

1989.

TAX PAID BY OUT-OF-STATE TERMINAL DEDUCTION FROM GASOLINE TAX AND SPECIAL FUEL EXCISE TAX

Brief Description: Gasoline and special fuel received in New Mexico on which the New Mexico

gasoline tax or special fuel excise tax was paid by the out-of-state terminal at which the gasoline or special fuel was loaded are deductible from computing

the gasoline tax or special fuel excise tax due.

Statutory Basis: 7-13-4(G) and 7-16A-10(G) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple tax regimes as it is only

deductible if the gasoline tax or special fuel excise tax was paid by the out-

of-state terminal at which the gasoline was loaded.

History: The gasoline tax section was originally enacted in 1991 and amended in

1997, 1998, 1999, and 2007.

The special fuel excise tax section was originally enacted in 1992 and amended in 1993, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, and 2013.

The subsections containing the gasoline tax and the special fuel excise tax deductions discussed here were created by an amendment in 2007.

STADIUM SURCHARGE EXEMPTION FROM GRT AND GGRT

Brief Description: Receipts from sales at a minor league baseball stadium on which a stadium

surcharge is imposed under the Minor League Baseball Stadium Funding Act are exempt from gross receipts tax and governmental gross receipts tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-13.3 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple tax programs.

History: Originally enacted in 2001 as part of the legislation that enacted the Minor

League Baseball Stadium Funding Act.

Evaluation: The Minor League Baseball Stadium Funding Act provides an additional

method of accessing the capital markets with the assistance of the New Mexico Finance Authority to meet the need for a complete funding package for functional and modern minor league baseball stadiums. Because the Minor League Baseball Stadium Funding Act allows a municipality to impose a stadium surcharge on products and services sold at or related to the stadium, this exemption from the GRT prevents these from being taxed

twice.

Isotopes Park, home of the Albuquerque Isotopes, was constructed from 2001 to 2003 at a reported cost of \$25 million. The Lab, as it has been

nicknamed, opened in April of 2003.

TAX PAID IN ANOTHER STATE FOR PROPERTY AND SERVICES CREDIT AGAINST GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX

Brief Description: The amount of gross receipts, sales, compensating, or similar tax paid to

another state on property acquired in that state or another state for use in New Mexico or on services performed outside this state may be credited against the amount of compensating tax due to New Mexico on the use of the property or the GRT due on the services performed outside New Mexico.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-79 and 7-9-79.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to address U.S. Commerce Clause concerns and prevent multi-

jurisdictional taxation as gross receipts, sales, compensating, or similar tax must have been levied on the property or services in order to qualify for the

credit.

History: The compensating tax credit for property was originally enacted in 1966 and

amended in 1973 and 1991.

The GRT credit for services was originally enacted in 1989 and amended in

1994.

TAX PAID ON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DESTROYED IN SHIPMENT, SPOILED, OR OTHERWISE DAMAGED REFUND OF OR CREDIT AGAINST LIQUOR EXCISE TAX AND LOCAL LIQUOR EXCISE TAX

Brief Description: Taxpayers are entitled to a refund for taxes paid pursuant to the liquor

excise tax and the local liquor excise tax on alcoholic beverages that are unsaleable and not consumable because they are destroyed in shipment,

spoiled, or damaged.

Statutory Basis: 7-17-11 and 7-24-14 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to define the tax base, by avoiding taxation of a product that is

not available to be sold.

History: The liquor excise tax provision was originally enacted in 1968 and amended

in 1969, 1971, 1973, 1977, 1984, and 1995.

The local liquor excise tax provision was originally enacted in 1989.

TAX PAID ON GASOLINE OR SPECIAL FUEL DESTROYED BY FIRE, ACCIDENT OR ACTS OF GOD BEFORE RETAIL SALE REFUND OF OR CREDIT AGAINST GASOLINE TAX AND SPECIAL FUEL EXCISE TAX

Brief Description: A taxpayer is entitled to a refund of, or credit against, the gasoline tax and

special fuel excise tax paid on gasoline and special fuel that is destroyed by fire, accident, or acts of God while in the possession of the distributor,

wholesaler, or retailer.

Statutory Basis: 7-13-11 and 7-16A-13 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to ensure that taxes aren't paid on gasoline and special fuel

which the taxpayer is unable to market.

History: The gasoline tax credit and refund section was originally enacted in 1971

and amended in 1983 and 1993.

The special fuel excise tax credit and refund section was originally enacted

in 1992.

TAX PAID ON SPECIAL FUEL IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES REFUND OF SPECIAL FUEL EXCISE TAX

Brief Description: A taxpayer is entitled to a refund of the special fuel excise tax paid on special

fuel used:

(1) in a school bus (authorized by contract with the Public Education Department),

(2) to propel a vehicle off-road,

(3) to operate auxiliary equipment by a power take-off from the main engine or transmission of a vehicle, or

(4) to operate a non-automotive apparatus vehicle.

Statutory Basis: 7-16A-13.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably, in the case of the school bus refund, to reduce the costs to

government and to recognize that the other activities do not contribute to the deterioration of the roads, the maintenance of which is funded through

the special fuel excise tax distributions to the State Road Fund.

History: Originally enacted in 2001 and amended in 2005 and 2006.

TAX PAID TO ANOTHER STATE CREDIT AGAINST MVX

Brief Description: A vehicle that has been acquired through an out-of-state transaction upon

which a gross receipts, sales, compensating or similar tax was paid may be

credited against the MVX due to New Mexico on the same vehicle.

Statutory Basis: 7-14-7 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to prevent multi-jurisdictional taxation.

History: Originally enacted in 1988.

TAX PAID TO ANOTHER STATE DEDUCTION FROM GASOLINE TAX AND SPECIAL FUEL EXCISE TAX

Brief Description:

A taxpayer may deduct gasoline and special fuel when computing the gasoline tax and special fuel excise tax if it is exported from New Mexico by a rack operator, distributor, or wholesaler as long as:

- (1) the person exporting the gasoline and special fuel is registered in or licensed by the destination state to pay that state's gasoline or equivalent fuel tax,
- (2) proof is submitted that the destination state's gasoline, special fuel, or equivalent fuel tax has been paid or is not due, or
- (3) the destination state's gasoline, special fuel, or equivalent fuel tax in paid to New Mexico in accordance with the terms of an agreement entered into with the destination state.

Statutory Basis: 7-13-4(A) and 7-16A-10(A) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to prevent multi-jurisdictional taxation as the deduction is only

available if proof is submitted that the destination state's gasoline tax was

paid or is not due.

History: The gasoline tax deduction was originally enacted in 1991 and amended in

1997, 1998, 1999, and 2007.

The special fuel excise tax deduction was originally enacted in 1992 and amended in 1993, 1997, 1998, 2001, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, and 2013.

TAX PAID TO ANOTHER STATE CREDIT AGAINST ESTATE TAX

Brief Description: A credit against the estate tax is available when any property of a resident is

subject to an estate tax imposed by another state when the other state's tax does not have a reciprocal provision. The credit amount would be for the

lesser of:

(1) the amount of the estate tax paid the other state and credited against the federal estate tax, or

(2) an amount computed by multiplying the federal credit the percentage of the estate that the property represents.

Statutory Basis: 7-7-3(B) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to prevent multi-jurisdictional taxation as it is only available to

the extent that taxes were paid to another state.

History: Originally enacted in 1973.

TAX PAID TO NAVAJO NATION FOR SELLING COAL SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT CREDIT AGAINST GRT

Brief Description: A taxpayer is entitled to a credit against the GRT for 75% of the amount of

tax paid to the Navajo Nation on the receipts from the selling of coal severed

from Navajo Nation land.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-88.2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to address the increased tax burdens associated with multi-

jurisdictional tax.

History: Originally enacted in 2001.

TAX PAID TO NEW MEXICO TRIBES EXEMPTION FROM ITGRT

Brief Description: Excluded from the definition of "interstate telecommunications gross

receipts" are gross receipts or sales taxes imposed by Indian nations, tribes,

or pueblos as long as the Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo tax provides a $\,$

reciprocal exclusion for GRT imposed by New Mexico.

Statutory Basis: 7-9C-2(E)(2) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid multi-jurisdictional taxation.

History: Originally enacted in 1992 and amended in 1993 and 2002.

TAX PAID TO NEW MEXICO TRIBES SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT CREDIT AGAINST GRT

Brief Description: A taxpayer is entitled to a credit against the GRT for 75% of the amount of

tax paid to any of the 19 New Mexico Pueblos, the Jicarilla Apache Nation or the Mescalero Apache Tribe on taxable transactions taking place on tribal

lands.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-88.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to prevent multi-jurisdictional taxation.

History: Originally enacted in 1999 and amended in 2000, 2001 and 2003.

TAXES PAID TO OTHER STATES CREDIT AGAINST PIT

Brief Description: When a resident individual is liable to another state for tax upon income

derived from sources outside New Mexico but also included in net income allocated or apportioned to New Mexico, the individual is entitled to a credit against the tax due to New Mexico in the amount of the tax paid to the other

state.

Statutory Basis: 7-2-13 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: To prevent multi-jurisdictional taxation. Taxation of interstate commerce is

prohibited by the U.S. Constitution's Commerce Clause.

History: Originally enacted in 1965 and amended in 1973, 1974, 1981, 1990, 1992,

and 2013.

The 2013 amendment limited the tax credit paid to the amount of tax

liability in New Mexico.

TELECOMMUNICATION PROVIDERS DEDUCTION FROM ITGRT

Brief Description: Receipts from interstate telecommunications services that are provided by a

corporation to itself or to an affiliated corporation may be deducted from

interstate telecommunications gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9C-8 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1992 and amended in 1993.

TRADE-IN ALLOWANCE GRT, MVX, AND DEDUCTIONS

Brief Description: Receipts from a trade-in of tangible personal property of the same type

being sold are deductible from gross receipts; allowances granted for vehicle trade-ins are deductible from the price paid or the reasonable value of the

vehicle purchased in calculating the MVX and the LVGRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-71, 7-14-4 and 7-14A-8 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to properly define the tax base.

History: The GRT deduction was originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1979,

and 1991.

The MVX deduction was originally enacted in 1988.

The LVGRT deduction was originally enacted in 1991.

TRANSACTIONS IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE GRT AND GGRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from transactions in interstate commerce and from sales of radio or

television broadcast time if the ultimate buyer is a national or regional advertiser are deductible from gross receipts and governmental gross

receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-55 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably because taxation of interstate commerce is prohibited by the

U.S. Constitution's Commerce Clause.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1986 and 1993.

TRANSACTIONS IN INTRASTATE TRANSPORTATION AND SERVICES IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts incurred when transporting persons or property on an intrastate

basis and under a single contract for transportation in interstate or foreign commerce (including handling, storage, drayage, or packing of property or other accessorial services on property) are deductible from gross receipts.

Receipts from telephone access charges paid by other telephone carriers are

deductible.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-56 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to address U.S. Commerce Clause concerns and comport with

the preemption doctrine with respect to the transportation deduction as the transportation must be part of an interstate commerce transaction to be

eligible for the deduction.

With regard to the telephone service portion of the deduction, the intended

purpose is presumably to prevent double taxation.

History: Originally enacted in 1994.

TRANSPORTATION FROM WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY TO OUTSIDE THE MUNICIPALITY EXEMPTION FROM LOCAL OPTION GRT

Brief Description: The transporting of persons or property for hire by any means from one

point within the municipality (or county) to another point outside the municipality (or county) are exempt from the supplemental municipal GRT, the municipal local option GRT, the local hospital GRT, the county local

option GRT, and the county correctional facility GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-19-14(A), 7-19D-5(A), 7-20C-5, 7-20E-5, and 7-20F-6 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to resolve a jurisdictional question and provide certainty about

the tax rate that applies in this situation.

History: The supplemental municipal GRT exemption was originally enacted in 1979

and amended in 1983 and 1994.

The municipal and county local option GRTs exemptions were originally

enacted in 1993 and amended in 1994.

The county correctional facility GRT was originally enacted in 1993.

The local hospital GRT exemption was originally enacted in 1991 and

amended in 1994.

UNCOLLECTIBLE DEBTS GRT AND GGRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Refunds and allowances made to buyers or amounts written off the books as

an uncollectible debt by a person reporting gross receipts tax and governmental gross receipts on an accrual basis may be deducted from

gross receipts and governmental gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-67 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid requiring a taxpayer to pay taxes on refunded or

uncollectible receipts.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1994.

UNPAID CHARGES FOR HOSPITAL SERVICES CREDIT AGAINST GRT

Brief Description: A licensed medical doctor or licensed osteopathic physician may claim a

credit against gross receipts taxes due for the value of unpaid qualified health care services. Qualified health care services must be provided by the

doctor or physician while on call to a hospital.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-96.2 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid requiring a taxpayer to pay taxes on non-existent

receipts.

History: Originally enacted in 2007.

USE OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR LEASING DEDUCTION FROM COMPENSATING TAX

Brief Description: The value of tangible personal property held for lease by a person engaged

in the business of selling or leasing the same type property may be deducted before computing compensating tax due; however, it does not apply to the value of furniture or appliances furnished as part of a rent house or apartment, coin-operated machines, or manufactured homes.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-78 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1973, 1975, 1979, 1981, 1984,

and 1991.

VEGETABLE OIL OR ANIMAL FAT BIODIESEL DEDUCTION FROM SPECIAL FUEL EXCISE TAX

Category: Environment, Conservation & Renewable Energy

Brief Description: Biodiesel that is blended or resold at a rack in New Mexico is deductible

from the special fuel excise tax

Statutory Basis: 7-16A-10(H)(1) and (2) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to prevent double taxation.

History: Originally enacted in 2009 and amended in 2013. The 2013 amendment

changed a definition of the fuel as consisting of at least 99% vegetable oil or

animal fat in favor of just using the term 'biodiesel'.

VEHICLE THAT IS OWNED BY THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO EXEMPTION FROM MVX

Brief Description: A vehicle with a certificate of title owned by New Mexico or any political

subdivision is exempt from MVX.

Statutory Basis: 7-14-6(C) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the costs to government.

History: Originally enacted in 1988, and amended in 1990, 1994, 2004, and 2007.

VEHICLE THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED IN NEW MEXICO EXEMPTION FROM MVX

Brief Description: A person applying for a certificate of title for a vehicle registered in another

state is exempt from the tax if the person has previously registered and titled the vehicle in New Mexico and has owned the vehicle continuously

since that time.

Statutory Basis: 7-14-6(B) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to prevent double taxation (twice in New Mexico).

History: Originally enacted in 1988, and amended in 1990, 1994, 2004, and 2007.

VEHICLES EXEMPTIONS FROM GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX

Brief Description: The receipts from selling vehicles on which a tax is imposed by the Motor

Vehicle Excise Tax Act, vehicles registered by persons with significant mobility limitations, and vehicles exempt from the MVX pursuant to Section

7-14-6(F) NMSA 1978 are exempt from GRT.

The use of vehicles used in New Mexico on which the tax imposed by the Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Act has been paid, the use of vehicles subject to registration under the Motor Vehicle Code and the use of vehicles exempt from MVX pursuant to Section 7-14-6(F) NMSA 1978 are exempt from

compensating tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-22 and 7-9-23 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple tax programs, as the exemption

only applies to vehicles on which a tax is imposed pursuant to the Motor

Vehicle Excise Tax Act.

History: The GRT exemption was originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1976,

1981, 1988, and 2004.

The compensating tax exemption was originally enacted in 1969 and

amended in 1976, 1983, 1988, and 2004.

VEHICLES USED FOR SHORT-TERM LEASING CREDIT AGAINST MVX

Brief Description: The MVX is suspended for vehicles used primarily as short-term rental

vehicles that are part of a vehicle fleet of at least five vehicles that are

subject to the leased vehicle gross receipts tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-14-7.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple tax programs.

History: Originally enacted in 1991 and amended in 1993 and 1994.

VEHICLES USED IN INTERSTATE COMMERCE GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from the rental or leasing of vehicles used in the transportation of

passengers or property for hire in interstate commerce under the

regulations or authorization of any agency of the U.S. are deductible from

GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-70 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably because taxation of interstate commerce is prohibited by the

U.S. Constitution's Commerce Clause.

History: Originally enacted in 1969.

WAGES EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: Receipts of employees from wages, salaries, commissions or from any other

form of remuneration for personal services are exempt from GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-17 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to define the tax base.

History: Originally enacted in 1969.

WARRANTY OBLIGATIONS GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts of a dealer from furnishing goods or services to the purchaser of

tangible personal property to fulfill a warranty obligation of the manufacturer of the property may be deducted from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-68 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to properly define the tax base, as the cost of the warranty is

part of cost of the good or service and taxes were paid on it at the time of the

original purchase.

History: Originally enacted in 1969.

ARGUABLE

While many of the deviations from New Mexico's many tax programs are easily categorized as either "Tax Expenditures" or "Not Tax Expenditures", there are a number about which good arguments could be made for both. With a few others, the purpose of the deviation is not entirely clear; without knowing why the deviation was put in the code, it is not possible to determine in which category it belongs.

As with the "Not Tax Expenditures" section, we believe that including information about these deviations, even without analysis of the fiscal impact, makes the reader better informed about the New Mexico tax structure.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICES GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts of a business entity for administrative, managerial, accounting, and

customer services performed by it for an affiliate upon a nonprofit or cost

basis are deductible from gross receipts.

Receipts of a business entity from an affiliate for the joint use or sharing of

office machines and facilities upon a nonprofit or cost basis are deductible

from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-69 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1990, 1993, 1998, 2002, and

2015.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS EXEMPTION FROM GRT AND GGRT

Brief Description: Receipts from selling livestock, including horses, and the receipts of

growers, producers and trappers from selling live poultry, unprocessed agricultural products (for example, a bale of hay, a head of lettuce or an unroasted sack of green chili), hides or pelts are exempt from the GRT and

GGRT.

Receipts from selling dairy products at retail are not exempt from the GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-18 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1991, 1992, 1993, and 2011.

The 2011 amendment expanded the deduction by defining "livestock" as all domestic or domesticated animals that are used or raised on a farm or ranch, including the carcasses thereof, and includes horses, asses, mules, cattle, sheep, goats, swine, bison, poultry, ostriches, emus, rheas, camelids

and farmed cervidae upon any land in New Mexico.

Evaluation: This deduction cannot be completely considered an anti-pyramiding device,

as there is no limitation that the receipts come from the sale of goods that are intermediate goods, or that are for resale. However, it is not possible to determine which portion is attributable to resale activities and which is not.

CERTAIN COMMISSIONS GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts derived from commissions from sales of tangible personal property

when the property sold is not subject to gross receipts tax are deductible

from gross receipts.

Receipts of the owner of a dealer store for selling a principal's goods are

deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-66 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid double taxation since commissions are taxable as

personal income.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1999.

CERTAIN SALES FOR RESALE TEN PERCENT CREDIT AGAINST GRT AND GGRT

Brief Description: A taxpayer may claim a credit against GRT and GGRT for receipts from

selling services for resale as long as the resale is in the ordinary course of business, the resale is *not* subject to either GRT or GGRT, and the buyer delivers to the seller appropriate documentation from TRD that the resale

meets the criteria for resale in the ordinary course of business.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-96 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to remove the tax burden from the "sellers of services for

resale" that will not be taxed at the final sale.

History: Originally enacted in 2005.

FEED AND FERTILIZER & AUCTIONEERS SELLING LIVESTOCK AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AT AUCTION GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from selling feed for livestock, fish, poultry, or animals raised for

their hides/pelts and from selling seeds, roots, bulbs, plants, soil

conditioners, fertilizers, insecticides, germicides, insects used to control populations of other insects, fungicides or weedicides or water for irrigation

purposes are deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-58 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1977, 1983, 1991, 1992 and

2002.

GROSS AMOUNTS WAGERED EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: Exempted from GRT are receipts of a horse racetrack which are authorized

by the Horse Racing Act to be retained by a horse racetrack that is licensed

to conduct horse races.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-40(B) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxing receipts over gross amounts wagered which are

under no authority to be spent by a horse racetrack.

History: Originally enacted in 1970 and amended in 1971, 1985, and 1989.

Recommendation: Update the statute to reflect the correct citation. It currently references

Section 60-1-10 NMSA 1978 which was repealed in 2007. Presumably the intention is for it to reference the successor statute which appears to be

Section 60-1A-19 NMSA 1978.

INSURANCE COMPANIES EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: The receipts of insurance companies or any agent thereof from premiums

and any consideration received by a property bondsman as security or surety for a bail bond in connection with a judicial proceeding are exempt

from GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-24 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to prevent taxation under multiple tax programs, as the receipts

of insurance companies are subject to the insurance premium tax and

presumably to ensure that considerations received as security of surety for a

bail bond are not taxed as they are not rightly considered receipts.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1988.

LIVESTOCK FEEDING EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: Receipts from feeding (including penning or handling livestock prior to sale

and training livestock) or pasturing livestock, are exempt from GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-19 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1974, 1991, and 1992.

PETROLEUM PRODUCTS SOLD TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EXEMPTION FROM PETROLEUM PRODUCTS LOADING FEE

Brief Description: Petroleum products sold to the U.S. or any agency or instrumentality thereof

for the exclusive use of the U.S. or any agency or instrumentality thereof are

exempt from the PPLF.

Statutory Basis: 7-13A-4(B) NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the cost to the U.S. government.

History: Originally enacted in 1991.

PIPELINE TRANSPORTATION OF OIL AND GAS PRODUCTS EXEMPTION FROM GRT AND COMPENSATING TAX

Brief Description: Receipts from the sale of oil, natural gas, liquid hydrocarbon, or any

combination thereof consumed as fuel in the pipeline transportation of such

products are exempt from GRT.

The use of oil, natural gas, liquid hydrocarbon or any combination thereof as

fuel in the pipeline transportation of such products is exempt from

compensating tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-36 and 7-9-37 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: The GRT and compensating exemptions were originally enacted in 1969.

PROCESSING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from warehousing grain or other agricultural products and from

threshing, harvesting, growing, cultivating, and processing agricultural

products are deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-59 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1969, and amended in 1970, and 2000.

RECEIPTS OF HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS EXEMPTION FROM GRT

Brief Description: Receipts of homeowners' associations (HOA) from membership fees, dues,

and assessments from owner-members to be used for tax, insurance, utility expenses, management and improvement, maintenance or rehabilitation of

those common areas, elements, or facilities appurtenant thereto for

commonly-owned areas and facilities are exempt from GRT.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-20 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to provide clarification that a HOA can be recognized as a

501(c)(4) organization to qualify for this exemption if its activities benefit a

community.

History: Originally enacted in 1988.

RESALE OF CERTAIN MANUFACTURED HOMES GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from the resale of a manufactured home which was subject to GRT,

compensating tax, or MVX upon its original sale or use in New Mexico are

deductible from gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-76.1 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid taxation under multiple programs, as the deduction

only applies if the initial sale was subject to the GRT, the compensating tax,

or the MVX.

History: Originally enacted in 1979 and amended in 1980, 1990, and 1991.

SALE BY OR TO U.S. ARMED FORCES EXEMPTION FROM LIQUOR EXCISE TAX AND LOCAL LIQUOR EXCISE TAX

Brief Description: Alcoholic beverages sold to or by any instrumentality of the U.S. armed

forces that are engaged in resale activities are exempt from the liquor excise

tax and the local liquor excise tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-17-9 and 7-24-12 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to comply with the preemption doctrine with respect to sales by

U.S. instrumentalities.

History: The liquor excise tax exemption was originally enacted in 1966 and

amended in 1973, 1984, and 1985.

The local liquor excise tax exemption was originally enacted in 1989.

SALE OF PROSTHETIC DEVICES GRT AND GGRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from selling prosthetic devices to persons licensed to practice in a

number of medical disciplines are deductible from gross receipts and

governmental gross receipts.

The buyer must deliver a nontaxable transaction certificate and must deliver the prosthetic device incidental to the performance of a service and must include the value of the prosthetic device in his charge for the service.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-73 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding as the value of the prosthetic must be

fully included in the final price of the service, and the nature of the final sale

will determine whether it is taxable or not.

History: Originally enacted in 1970 and amended in 1992.

SALE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY & LEASE OF MANUFACTURED HOMES GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from the sale or lease of real property, which includes the land and

any permanent fixtures, from the lease of a manufactured home for at least one month, and from the rental of space for a manufactured home or recreational vehicle for at least one month, are deductible from gross

receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-53 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax burdens associated with occupancy of residential

and commercial spaces on a non-transient basis.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1972, 1973, 1975, 1979, 1983,

1991, and 1998.

SALES TO FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, STATE OF NEW MEXICO, OR NEW MEXICO TRIBES EXEMPTION FROM CIGARETTE TAX AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX

Brief Description: Sales of cigarettes and tobacco products to the U.S., the State of New Mexico,

or an Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo are exempt from the cigarette tax and

the tobacco products tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-12-4 and 7-12A-4 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the costs to government.

History: The cigarette tax exemption was originally enacted in 1943. Section 7-12-4

NMSA 1978 was amended in 1971, 1992, and 2010. The 2010 legislation

also included an increase of the cigarette tax by \$0.75 per pack.

The tobacco products tax was originally enacted in 1986. Section 7-12A-4 NMSA 1978 amended in 2009 to expand the exemption to include the sale of

tobacco to tribes or tribal members.

SALES TO GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES GRT AND GGRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from selling tangible personal property to the U.S., the State of New

Mexico, or an Indian nation, tribe, or pueblo for use on an Indian reservation or pueblo grant are deductible from gross receipts and governmental gross

receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-54 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce the costs to government.

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 1976, 1985, 1989, 1992, 1993,

1995, 2000, 2001, and 2003.

TAX PAID ON SPECIAL FUEL USED CREDIT AGAINST SPECIAL FUEL EXCISE TAX

Brief Description: A taxpayer is entitled to a credit against the calculated special fuel excise tax

due for a reporting period for special fuel excise tax paid on special fuel used

during the reporting period.

Statutory Basis: 7-16A-12 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to avoid requiring a taxpayer to pay taxes on fuel that is not

available to be sold.

History: Originally enacted in 1992 and amended in 1997.

TRAVEL AGENTS' COMMISSIONS GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts of travel agents from commissions paid by maritime transportation

companies, and interstate airlines, railroads and passenger buses for booking, referral, reservation, or ticket services are deductible from gross

receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-76 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 1977.

USE OF ELECTRICITY EXEMPTION FROM COMPENSATING TAX

Brief Description: Electricity used in the production and transmission of electricity, including

transmission using voltage source conversion technology is exempt from the

compensating tax.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-38 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding

History: Originally enacted in 1969 and amended in 2012.

The 2012 amendment expanded the exemption to include electricity used in the transmission of electricity using voltage source conversion technology.

VETERINARY MEDICAL FOR TREATMENT OF CATTLE GRT DEDUCTION

Brief Description: Receipts from sales of veterinary medical services, medicine or medical

supplies used in the medical treatment of cattle may be deducted from gross $% \left(x\right) =\left(x\right) +\left(x\right)$

receipts if the sale is made to:

(1) a person who states in writing that the person is regularly engaged in the business of ranching or farming, including dairy farming, in New Mexico, or

(2) a veterinarian who is providing veterinary medical services, medicine, or medical supplies in the treatment of cattle owned by that person.

Statutory Basis: 7-9-109 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Presumably to reduce tax pyramiding.

History: Originally enacted in 2007.

WIDE-AREA TELEPHONE AND PRIVATE COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE DEDUCTION FROM ITGRT

Brief Description: Receipts from the provision of wide-area telephone service and private

communications service in this state may be deducted from interstate

telecommunications gross receipts.

Statutory Basis: 7-9C-6 NMSA 1978

Intended Purpose: Unclear.

History: Originally enacted in 1992 and amended in 1993.

The tax expenditure budget will explain the difference between tax expenditures and other exemptions, deductions and exclusions that are needed to properly define the tax base. The latter will not be included in the tax expenditure report.

The tax expenditure budget will include information on the statutory basis for each tax expenditure including an analysis of the intended purpose of the statute.

The tax expenditure budget will include an evaluation of whether each provision is achieving its intended purpose. If such information is not available, the tax expenditure budget will recommend means by which such information might be collected without violating taxpayer confidentiality.

The tax expenditure budget will include estimates of the cost effectiveness of each provision in achieving its intended purpose. If such information is not available, the tax expenditure budget will recommend means by which such information might be collected without violating taxpayer confidentiality.

The tax expenditure budget will include estimates of the revenue foregone due to each provision, including state general fund, other state funds and local government revenues.

The tax expenditure budget will make recommendations for how to improve statutory provisions when they are found to not be achieving their purpose in a cost effective memory.

THIS ORDER supersedes any other previous orders, proclamations or directives in conflict. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until such time as the Governor rescinds it.

SIGNED AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE THIS 9TH DAY OF AUGUST 2011.

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO.

SUSANA MARTINEZ GOVERNOR ATTEST

DIANNA J. DURAN SECRETARY OF STATE

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APPENDIX C: FREQUENTLY USED ACRONYMS

ACA - Affordable Care Act

CIT - Corporate Income Tax

CREG – Consensus Revenue Estimating Group

CRS - Combined Reporting System (CRS returns include GRT, compensating tax, and withholding tax)

DOH – New Mexico Department of Health

EDD – New Mexico Economic Development Department

EMNRD – New Mexico Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources Department

GGRT - Governmental Gross Receipts Tax

GRT - Gross Receipts Tax

HSD - New Mexico Human Services Department

ITGRT - Interstate Telecommunications GRT

LVGRT - Leased Vehicle GRT

MCF - 1,000 Cubic Feet

MFA - New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority

MVX - Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

NAICS - North American Industry Classification System

NMDOT – New Mexico Department of Transportation

NMENV - New Mexico Environment Department

ONGARD - Oil and Natural Gas Administration and Revenue Database

PIT - Personal Income Tax

PPLF - Petroleum Products Loading Fee

REPTC - Renewable Energy Production Tax Credit

RSTP - Revenue Stabilization and Tax Policy - an interim legislative committee

TIDD - Tax Increment Development District

TPP - Tangible Personal Property

TRD - New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department

WDT - Weight Distance Tax

APPENDIX D: PRINCIPLES OF GOOD TAX POLICY

There has been much discussion in recent years about what makes good tax policy, and there are a number of principles which establish consensus. We provide a brief overview of each below. It must be noted, however, that these principles are often in conflict, and it is the responsibility of the Legislature and executive to work together to maintain balance between these principles.

Perhaps the most glaring example of how some principles can overwhelm others is New Mexico's Gross Receipts and Compensating Tax Act. It has become increasingly complex as efforts have been made to achieve Equity, Efficiency, and — with recent reporting requirements — Accountability. Put another way, Simplicity has been sacrificed on the altar of other tax policy principles.

We use this illustration not to disparage any particular section of the tax code but to remind policy makers that reliance on these principles requires considerations of how application of one principle impacts other principles.

ADEQUACY

Tax revenues should be adequate to support needed government services. Inherent in this principle is the fact that taxes are necessary in order to provide these services. Unfortunately, there is no objective measure as to what constitutes "adequate" as this concept is tied tightly to the determination about what services government should provide and at what level of service these should be provided. Adequacy is often cited as the reason for increasing taxes without a corresponding conversation about the appropriateness of the services being provided or the appropriateness of the level of that service. The two conversations should take place together.

EQUITY

Tax equity or fairness is concerned with how tax burdens are distributed among taxpayers. There are two different types of equity: 1) "vertical" equity which says that tax burdens should be distributed according to taxpayers' ability to pay, so that taxpayers with greater ability to pay bear a larger burden than those with a lesser ability to pay, and 2) "horizontal" equity which is interested in ensuring that similarly-situated taxpayers face similar tax burdens. Without horizontal equity, the government is putting its thumb on the scale by giving one taxpayer a competitive advantage over another. There may be legitimate policy reasons for doing so, but it should neither be done lightly nor without an understanding about what is happening.

EFFICIENCY

In this context, efficiency is the term economists apply to policies that benefit economic growth. Tax policies affect the efficiency of the economy in complicated ways. As a general rule, tax efficiency requires that taxes be levied in such a way as to minimize market distortions that occur as taxpayers substitute untaxed goods for taxed goods so as to reduce tax burdens. As an example, income taxes on labor income may induce taxpayers to work less and instead use their time for non-taxed leisure. The result is a lower labor supply and less economic growth.

Evaluation of efficiency in the application of economic theory is complicated when an activity generates external costs, such as environmental degradation. These costs are "external" in the

sense that they may not be fully considered by individual actors in their marketplace decisions. In this case, taxes may be imposed as proxies for costs that would otherwise not be taken into account and can arguably improve the functioning of the economy. For example, this reasoning supports tax expenditures for renewable energy because they may have the effect of reducing pollution, an important example of an external cost.

SIMPLICITY

Taxpayers incur compliance costs as they prepare, submit, and keep records about tax returns. They also face significant penalties for failure to correctly prepare those returns. New Mexico's state and local governments incur administrative costs as they collect taxes, check on the accuracy of tax returns and tax payments, and deal with taxpayers who underpay or fail to pay. These costs are inescapable, but their magnitude is affected by how taxes are defined and collected: the more complicated the code, the higher the cost that the State must bear to ensure compliance.

While they may increase accountability, tax expenditures that require additional reporting move away from the tax principle of simplicity - for both the taxpayer and the administration of the tax code. Although generally hidden from view, the costs of collection and compliance impose significant burdens on society and should be kept to a minimum level, consistent with other goals.

ACCOUNTABILITY

Good tax policy suggests that tax preferences should be easy to monitor and evaluate. Moreover, taxes should be transparent so that taxpayers can better evaluate government policy. Improved accountability is an important goal of this tax expenditure report.

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