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## **HOUSE BILL No. 2465**

By Committee on Taxation

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9 AN ACT concerning the Kansas withholding tax act; amending K.S.A. 10 2002 Supp. 79-3295, 79-3298, 79-3299, 79-32,100, 79-32,100a, 79-11 32,100b and 79-32,100c and repealing the existing sections. 12 13 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: 14Section 1. K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 79-3295 is hereby amended to read as 15follows: 79-3295. (a) The term "employee" means a resident of this state as defined by subsection (b) of K.S.A. 79-32,109, and amendments 16 17thereto, performing services for an employer either within or without the 18 state and a nonresident performing services within this state, and includes 19 an officer, employee or elected official of the United States, a state, ter-

ritory, or any political subdivision thereof or any agency or instrumentality
 thereof, and an officer of a corporation.

22 (b) The term "employer" means any person, firm, partnership, lim-23 ited liability company, corporation, association, trust or fiduciary of any 24kind or other type organization qualifying as an employer for federal in-25come tax withholding purposes and who maintains an office, transacts 26 business in or derives any income from sources within the state of Kansas 27 for whom an individual performs or performed any services, of whatever 28nature, as the employee of such employer, and who has control of the 29 payment of wages for such services, or is the officer, agent or employee 30 of the person having control of the payment of wages. It also includes the 31 United States, the state and all political subdivisions thereof, and all agen-32 cies or instrumentalities of any of them.

(c) The term "distributee" means any person or organization who
 receives a distribution which is subject to withholding of income tax pur suant to this act.

(d) The term "distribution" means a distribution from a corporation
for which an election as an S corporation under subchapter S of the
federal internal revenue code is in effect, from a limited liability company
formed under the laws of the state of Kansas, or from a partnership.

40 (e) The term "nonresident" means an individual domiciled outside of

41 this state and an entity whose commercial domicile is outside of this state.

42 For corporations, commercial domicile is as defined in K.S.A. 79-3271

43 and amendments thereto.

1	(f) The term "payee" means any person or organization who receives
2	a payment other than wages, or a payment of a pension, annuity or de-
3	<i>ferred income</i> , which is subject to withholding of income tax pursuant to
4	this act.
5	(g) The term "payer" means any person or organization, other than
6	an employer, who makes a payment other than wages, or a payment of a
7	pension, annuity or deferred income, which is subject to withholding of
8	income tax pursuant to this act.
9	(f) (h) The term "payment other than wages" means a payment that
10	is <del>subject to federal income tax withholding and</del> taxable under the Kansas
11	income tax act, and that is a payment:
12	(1) For any supplemental unemployment compensation, annuity, or
13	sick pay;
14	(2) pursuant to a voluntary withholding agreement;
15	(3) of gambling winnings;
16	(4) of taxable payments of Indian casino profits;
17	(5) for any vehicle fringe benefit; <i>or</i>
18	(6) of periodic payments of pensions, annuities, and other deferred
19	<del>income;</del>
20	(7) of nonperiodic distributions of pensions, annuities, and other de-
21	ferred income; or
22	- (8) of cligible rollover distributions of pensions, annuities, and other
23	deferred income of a management or consulting fee paid in the ordinary
24	course of a trade, business or other for profit venture.
25	(g) The term "payor" means any person or organization, other than
26	an employer, who makes payments, other than wages or distributions,
27	which are subject to withholding of income tax pursuant to this act.
28	- (h) (i) The term "pension, annuity or other deferred income" means
29	a payment that is taxable under the Kansas income tax act, and that is a
30	payment:
31	(1) Of periodic payments of pensions, annuities and other deferred
32	income;
33	(2) of nonperiodic distributions of pensions, annuities and other de-
34	ferred income; or
35	(3) of eligible rollover distributions of pensions, annuities and other
36	deferred income.
37	(j) The term "wages" means wages as defined by section 3401(a) of
38	the federal internal revenue code which are taxable under the Kansas
39	income tax act <del>, and shall include any prize or award paid to a professional</del>
40	athlete at a sporting event held in this state.

- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 79-3298 is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-3298. (a) Every employer and payor, payer, person or organization deducting and withholding tax shall remit the taxes and file returns

1 in accordance with the following provisions.:

2 Whenever the total amount withheld exceeds \$100,000 in any (1)3 calendar year, the employer or payor, payer, person or organization deducting and withholding tax shall remit the taxes withheld in accordance 4 with the following schedule: Each calendar month shall be divided into 56 four remittance periods that end on the 7th, 15th, 21st and the last day 7 of such month. If at the end of any one or all of such remittance periods the total undeposited taxes equal or exceed \$667, the taxes shall be re-8 9 mitted within three banking days. Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays 10 shall not be treated as banking days.

11 Whenever the total amount withheld exceeds \$8,000 but does not (2)12 exceed \$100,000 in any calendar year, the employer or payor, payer, per-13 son or organization deducting and withholding tax shall remit the taxes 14 withheld for wages paid during the first 15 days of any month on or before 15the 25th day of the month. The employer or payor, payer, person or 16 organization deducting and withholding tax shall remit the taxes withheld 17for wages paid during the remainder of that month on or before the 10th 18 day of the following month.

(3) Whenever the total amount withheld exceeds \$1,200 but does not
exceed \$8,000 in any calendar year, the employer or payor, payer, person
or organization deducting and withholding tax shall remit the taxes withheld during any month on or before the 15th day of the following month.

(4) Whenever the total amount withheld exceeds \$200 but does not
exceed \$1,200 in any calendar year, the employer or payor, payer, person
or organization deducting and withholding tax shall remit the taxes withheld in any calendar quarter on or before the 25th day of the first month
following the end of that calendar quarter.

(5) Whenever the total amount withheld does not exceed \$200 in any
calendar year, the employer or payor, payer, person or organization deducting and withholding tax shall remit the taxes withheld during that
year on or before January 25 of the following year.

(b) Each remittance required under the provisions of subsection (a)
shall be accompanied by a Kansas withholding tax remittance form prescribed and furnished by the director.

(c) Every employer or payor, payer, person or organization deducting
and withholding tax and making remittances pursuant to subsection (a)
shall file a return on a form prescribed and furnished by the director for
each calendar year on or before the last day of February of the following
year.

(d) The excess of any remittance over the actual taxes withheld in any
withholding period shall be credited against the liability for following
withholding periods until exhausted. A refund shall be allowed in accordance with K.S.A. 79-32,105, and amendments thereto, where an over-

payment cannot be adjusted by an offset against the liability for a sub-1 2 sequent withholding period.

3 (e) For purposes of determining filing requirements, determinations of amounts withheld during a calendar year by employers or payors for 4 purposes of determining filing requirements, payers, persons or organi-5zations deducting and withholding tax shall be made by the director upon 6 the basis of amounts withheld by those employers or payors, payers, per-7 sons or organizations during the preceding calendar year or by estimates 8 9 in cases of employers or payors, payers, persons or organizations having 10 no previous withholding histories. The director is hereby authorized to 11 modify the filing schedule for any employer or payor, payer, person or organization deducting and withholding tax when it is apparent that the 1213 original determination was inaccurate.

14 (f) Whenever the director has cause to believe that money withheld 15by an employer or payor, payer, person or organization deducting and 16 withholding tax pursuant to this act may be converted, diverted, lost, or 17otherwise not timely paid in accordance with this section, the director 18 shall have the power to require returns and payment from any such em-19 ployer or payor, payer, person or organization at any time at more fre-20 quent intervals than prescribed by this section in order to secure full 21payment to the state of all amounts withheld by such employer or payor, 22 payer, person or organization in accordance with this act.

23Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 79-3299 is hereby amended to read as 24follows: 79-3299. (a) Every employer or payor shall, payer, person or 25organization deducting and withholding tax, on or before January 31 of 26 each year, shall prepare a statement for each employee or payee on a 27 form prescribed by the director stating the amount of wages or payments 28other than wages subject to Kansas income tax paid during the preceding 29 year, the total amount of tax withheld, if any, from such wages or pay-30 ments other than wages by the employer or payor, payer, person or or-31 ganization pursuant to this act and such other information as may be 32 prescribed by the director. One copy of such statement shall be filed by 33 the employer or payor, payer, person or organization with the division of 34 taxation on or before the last day of February of each year. Two copies 35 of such statement shall be given to the employee or payee concerned, 36 one of which will be filed by the employee or payee with the tax return 37 required by this chapter.

38 (b) In the case of an employee whose employment is terminated be-39 fore the end of a calendar year, the statement required by subsection (a) 40may be mailed at the time provided in that subsection to the last known address of the employee, or issued at the time of the last payment to the 4142 employee, at the employer's option.

(c) Any employer or payor, payer, person or organization deducting 43

and withholding tax who willfully intentionally fails to furnish a statement
 to an employee or payee as required under the provisions of subsections
 (a) and (b) of this section shall be guilty of a nonperson misdemeanor and
 upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not exceeding \$100
 for each such offense.

6 (d) The annual statement of wages and salaries paid and amount with-7 held required by this section shall be in lieu of the annual information 8 return required under K.S.A. 79-3222 *and amendments thereto*.

9 Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 79-32,100 is hereby amended to read as
10 follows: 79-32,100. (a) The tax deducted and withheld under this act shall
11 not be allowed as a deduction either to the employer or payor, payer,
12 person or organization deducting and withholding tax or to the employee
13 or payee in computing taxable income under the "Kansas income tax act."

(b) The full amount of wages and salaries or payments other than wages from which an amount was withheld in accordance with this act shall be included in the gross income of the employee or payee unless such wages and salaries or payments other than wages or a portion thereof are otherwise excludable under the provisions of the "Kansas income tax act."

20 (c) The amount deducted and withheld under this act during any 21 calendar year from the wages or payments other than wages of an indi-22 vidual taxpayer shall be allowed as a credit against the income tax oth-23 erwise imposed on such taxpayer by the "Kansas income tax act," whether 24 or not such amount was remitted to the division of taxation by the em-25 ployer or payor, payer, person or organization deducting and withholding 26 tax in accordance with the terms of this act.

(d) If the amount withheld under this act during any calendar year
exceeds the individual income tax liability of the employee-payee-taxpayer
any excess shall be applied to any other income tax owed the state of
Kansas by such individual (, including fines, penalties and interest, if any),
and the balance of such excess, if any, refunded to the taxpayer as provided in subsection (c) of K.S.A. 79-32,105, and amendments thereto.

Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 79-32,100a is hereby amended to read as
follows: 79-32,100a. (a) Every payor payer who is required under federal
law to withhold upon payments other than wages pursuant to the federal
internal revenue code as defined by K.S.A. 79-3295 and amendments
thereto, shall withhold and deduct and withhold an amount to be determined in accordance with K.S.A. 79-32,100d, and amendments thereto,
whenever the payee is a person whose primary residence is in Kansas.

40 (b) A determination by the internal revenue service that relieves a 41 payor payer from withholding responsibility with respect to payments 42 other than wages to a payee shall also apply for Kansas income tax with-

43 holding purposes. Whenever a payor payer is required to reinstate with-

1 holding for federal income tax with regard to any payee, such obligation2 shall be equally applicable for Kansas withholding purposes.

3 (c) Every payor who makes a distribution as defined by subsection (d) of K.S.A. 79-3295, and amendments thereto, shall withhold and de-4 duct an amount to be determined in accordance with K.S.A. 79-32,100d, 5and amendments thereto, from amounts distributed or distributable to 6 7 each nonresident shareholder or partner. Every payer who is required under federal law to withhold upon payments of a pension, annuity or 8 9 other deferred income, as defined by K.S.A. 79-3295 and amendments 10 thereto, shall deduct and withhold an amount to be determined in ac-11 cordance with K.S.A. 79-32,100d and amendments thereto, whenever the 12 payee is a resident of the state of Kansas.

(d) Every payer who makes a payment of a management fee or a
consulting fee to a nonresident shall deduct and withhold an amount to
be determined in accordance with K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 79-32,100d and
amendments thereto.

New Sec. 6. (a) Corporations for which an election as an S corpo-1718 ration under subchapter S of the federal internal revenue code is in effect 19 are required to deduct and withhold tax at a rate equal to the maximum 20 rate imposed on individuals pursuant to subsection (a) of K.S.A. 79-32,110 21 and amendments thereto, from a nonresident shareholder's share of Kan-22 sas taxable income of the corporation, whether distributed or undistri-23buted, and pay the withheld amount to the department in the manner 24prescribed by the department. For a taxable year beginning after 2002, 25the corporation shall make a return and pay over the withhold funds on 26 or before the due date of the S corporation's income tax return, including 27 extensions. Taxes withheld in the name of the nonresident shareholder 28must be used as credit against taxes due at the time the nonresident files 29 a return of income or other applicable information return for the taxable 30 year.

31 (b) An S corporation required to withhold taxes on distributed or 32 undistributed income shall file a return with each payment of tax to the 33 department, on forms prescribed by the secretary, disclosing such infor-34 mation as required by the secretary pursuant to subsection (i). The S 35 corporation shall furnish to each nonresident shareholder a written state-36 ment as required by K.S.A. 79-3299 and amendments thereto as proof of 37 the amount of the nonresident shareholder's share of distributed or un-38 distributed income and of the amount that has been withheld.

(c) Partnerships are required to withhold tax at a rate equal to the
maximum rate imposed on individuals pursuant to subsection (a) of K.S.A.
79-32,110 and amendments thereto, from a nonresident partner's share
of Kansas taxable income of the partnership, whether distributed or undistributed, and pay the withheld amount to the department in the man-

ner prescribed by the department. For a taxable year beginning after 1 2 2002, the partnership shall make a return and pay over the withheld funds 3 on or before the due date of the partnership's income tax return, including extensions. Taxes withheld in the name of the nonresident partner must 4 be used as credit against taxes due at the time the nonresident files a 56 return of tax or other applicable information return for the taxable year. 7 (d) A partnership required to withhold taxes on distributed or undistributed income shall file a return with each payment of tax to the de-8 9 partment, on forms prescribed by the secretary, disclosing such infor-10 mation as required by the secretary pursuant to subsection (i). The 11 partnership shall furnish to each nonresident shareholder a written statement as required by K.S.A. 79-3299 and amendments thereto, as proof 12

inclut as required by R.S.R. 79-3255 and antendments thereto, as proof
of the amount of the nonresident shareholder's share of distributed or
undistributed income that has been withheld.
(e) Limited liability companies are required to withhold tax at a rate
equal to the maximum rate imposed on individuals pursuant to subsection
(a) of K.S.A. 79-32,110 and amendments thereto, from a nonresident
member's share of Kansas taxable income of the limited liability company,
whether distributed or undistributed, and pay the withheld amount to the

department in the manner prescribed by the department. For a taxable year beginning after 2002, the limited liability company shall make a return and pay over the withheld funds on or before the due date of the limited liabilities income tax return, including extensions. Taxes withheld in the name of the nonresident member must be used as credit against taxes due at the time the nonresident files a return of tax or other applicable information return for the taxable year.

27 (f) A limited liability company required to withhold taxes on distrib-28uted or undistributed income shall file a return with each payment of tax to the department, on forms prescribed by the secretary, disclosing such 29 30 information as required by the secretary pursuant to subsection (i). The 31 limited liability company shall furnish to each nonresident member a writ-32 ten statement as required by K.S.A. 79-3299 and amendments thereto, 33 as proof of the amount of the nonresident member's share of distributed or undistributed income that has been withheld. 34

35 (g) If a nonresident shareholder, partner or member provides the S 36 corporation, partnership or limited liability company with a statement that 37 the shareholder or partner is an organization exempt from income taxes 38 under section 501(a) of the federal internal revenue code, then the S 39 corporation, partnership or limited liability company is not required to 40withhold with regard to that shareholder, partner or member. The statement must contain the shareholder's, partner's or member's name, fed-4142 eral identification number, internal revenue code section exemption num-43 ber, and a copy of the internal revenue service exemption letter.

(h) (1) For purposes of computing the penalty under K.S.A. 7932,107 and amendments thereto, the amount withheld is deemed a payment of estimated tax, and an equal part of the amount is deemed paid
on each estimated tax due date for the previous taxable year.

(2) If a nonresident shareholder, partner or member files an affidavit 56 with the department in a form acceptable to the department by which 7 such nonresident shareholder, partner or member agrees to be subject to the personal jurisdiction of the department in courts of this state for 8 9 the purpose of determining and collecting any Kansas taxes, including 10 estimated taxes, together with any related interest and penalties, then the 11 S corporation, partnership or limited liability company is not required to 12 withhold with regard to that shareholder, partner or member. The de-13 partment may revoke an exemption granted by this subsection at any time 14 it determines that the nonresident shareholder, partner or member is not 15abiding by its terms.

(i) The department is authorized to require such returns and other
information as it considers appropriate to administer the provisions of this
section, and to issue rulings and promulgate regulations as necessary or
appropriate to implement this section.

20 (j) The director of taxation may allow a nonresident individual share-21 holder, partner or member to not file a Kansas income tax return if the 22 nonresident individual shareholder's, partner's or member's only source of Kansas income was such nonresident shareholder's, partner's or mem-2324ber's share of the S corporation's, partnership's or limited liability com-25pany's income which was derived from or attributable to sources within 26 this state, and the S corporation, partnership or limited liability company 27 has remitted the amount required by subsections (a), (c) or (e) on behalf 28of such nonresident shareholder, partner or member. The amount re-29 mitted shall be retained in satisfaction of the Kansas income tax liability 30 of the nonresident individual shareholder, partner or member.

(k) The provisions of this section shall be part of and supplemental
 to the Kansas withholding and declaration of estimated tax act.

33 Sec. 7. K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 79-32,100b is hereby amended to read as follows: 79-32,100b. (a) Every employer or payor, payer, person or or-34 35 ganization required to deduct and withhold tax from wages of an em-36 ployee or, payments other than wages of a payee or from a distribution, 37 under this act shall be liable for the payment of such tax whether or not it is collected from the employee or, payee or distributee by the employer 38 39 or payor, payer, person or organization. For purposes of assessment and 40collection, any amount required to be withheld and paid over to the department of revenue, and any additions to tax, penalties and interest with 4142 respect thereto, shall be considered the tax of the employer.

43 (b) Any amount of tax withheld shall constitute a special fund in trust

1 for the department of revenue.

(c) No employee or, payee or distributee shall have any right of action 2 3 against their employer or payor, payer, person or organization deducting and withholding tax in respect to any moneys deducted and withheld 4 from wages or, payments other than wages or distributions and paid over 56 to the department of revenue in compliance or in intended compliance 7 with this act.

Sec. 8. K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 79-32,100c is hereby amended to read as 8 9 follows: 79-32,100c. (a) If an employer or payor, payer, person or organ-10 ization deducting and withholding tax fails to deduct and withhold the 11 tax as required under this act, and thereafter, the income tax against which 12 the tax may be credited is paid, the tax required to be deducted and 13 withheld shall not be collected from the employer or payor, payer, person 14 or organization. The payment of such tax does not, however, operate to 15relieve the employer, payer, person or organization from liability for penalties, interest or additions to the tax applicable with respect to such fail-16 17ure to deduct and withhold. The employer or payor will, payer, person 18 or organization shall not be relieved under this provision from liability 19 for payment of the tax required to be withheld unless it can be shown 20 that the income tax against which the tax required to be withheld under 21 this act may be credited has been paid.

22 (b) Every agent or other person having control, receipt, custody or 23 disposal of, or paying the wages of an employee or group of employees 24employed by one or more employers, is for the purpose of this act des-25ignated to be an employer. In the case of the corporation, the officers 26 and board of directors are likewise considered employers. Employers of 27 classes named in this section shall be subject to all the provisions of law 28including penalties as is their principal. Any employer who willfully fails 29 to collect the tax imposed by the Kansas withholding tax act or truthfully 30 account for any pay over such tax, or willfully attempts in any manner to 31 evade or defeat any tax or the payment thereof, shall be subject to a 32 penalty equal to the total amount of the tax evaded, or not collected, or 33 not accounted for and paid over in addition to other penalties provided 34 by law.

35 Sec. 9. K.S.A. 2002 Supp. 79-3295, 79-3298, 79-3299, 79-32,100, 79-36 32,100a, 79-32,100b and 79-32,100c are hereby repealed.

37 Sec. 10. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 38 publication in the statute book.

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