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**Reference Number:** CTAS-1638

*Authority.* T.C.A. §§ 67-2-101 through 67-2-125.

*Description.* This is a tax on income derived from stocks and bonds, as defined in T.C.A. §§ 67-2-101 and 67-2-102. There are numerous exemptions, including a \$1,250 personal exemption on individual returns and \$2,500 on joint returns. T.C.A. § 67-2-104. The tax is collected by the Department of Revenue. The rate was previously five percent (5%) but is being phased out as follows:

- (1) For any tax year that begins on or after January 1, 2017, and prior to January 1, 2018, four percent (4%);
- (2) For any tax year that begins on or after January 1, 2018, and prior to January 1, 2019, three percent (3%);
- (3) For any tax year that begins on or after January 1, 2019, and prior to January 1, 2020, two percent (2%);
- (4) For any tax year that begins on or after January 1, 2020, and prior to January 1, 2021, one percent (1%); and
- (5) For any tax year that begins on or after January 1, 2021, and for subsequent tax years, zero percent (0%);

*Distribution.* The tax is distributed as follows:

1. Up to 10 percent of the first \$200,000 of taxes collected and 5 percent of amounts over \$200,000 go to the Department of Revenue for administration of the tax. T.C.A. § 67-2-117.
  2. The taxes collected on income from stocks and bonds after deducting administration expenses are distributed as follows:
    - a. Five-eighths (5/8) to the state general fund;
    - b. Three-eighths (3/8) to the counties and municipalities of the state. If the taxpayer resides inside the corporate limits of a municipality, then to that municipality; but if the taxpayer resides outside any municipal limits, then to the county of the taxpayer's residence. T.C.A. § 67-2-119.
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