### SENATE BILL NO. 92

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#### **A BILL**

## FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

- 1 "An Act establishing an income tax on certain entities producing or transporting oil or
- 2 gas in the state; and providing for an effective date."

### 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

- \* **Section 1.** AS 43.20 is amended by adding a new section to read:
- Sec. 43.20.019. Tax on income attributable to a qualified entity; energy and electrical grid projects or upgrades fund. (a) If an entity has qualified taxable income over \$5,000,000 in a tax year, the entity shall pay a tax of 9.4 percent on the qualified taxable income over \$5,000,000.
  - (b) The tax under this section does not apply to a corporation paying tax under AS 43.20.011.
  - (c) The department shall aggregate the qualified taxable income of two or more entities for the purpose of determining the tax due under this section if the department determines that, without the provisions of this section, the qualified taxable income would reasonably be expected to be attributed to a single entity.

| 1  | (d) The energy and electrical grid projects or upgrades fund is established in            |
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| 2  | the general fund. The Department of Administration shall separately account for the       |
| 3  | tax collected under this section and deposit the tax into the energy and electrical grid  |
| 4  | projects or upgrades fund.  |
| 5  | (e) In this section,  |
| 6  | (1) "entity" means a  |
| 7  | (A) sole proprietorship;  |
| 8  | (B) partnership; or   |
| 9  | (C) entity that has elected to file federal returns under 26                              |
| 10 | U.S.C. 1361 - 1379 (Internal Revenue Code);   |
| 11 | (2) "qualified taxable income" means income from the production of                        |
| 12 | oil or gas from a lease or property in the state or from the transportation of oil or gas |
| 13 | by pipeline in the state before deductions for  |
| 14 | (A) dividends and gifts; and  |
| 15 | (B) wages, salaries, bonuses, or other similar payments to                                |
| 16 | owners, partners, members, or shareholders of the entity.                                 |
| 17 | * <b>Sec. 2.</b> AS 43.20.030(a) is amended to read:                                      |
| 18 | (a) If a <u>taxpayer</u> [CORPORATION], or a partnership that has a <u>taxpayer</u>       |
| 19 | [CORPORATION] as a partner, is required to make a return under the provisions of          |
| 20 | the Internal Revenue Code, the taxpaver [IT] shall file with the department, within 30    |
| 21 | days after the federal return is required to be filed, a return setting out               |
| 22 | (1) the amount of tax due under this chapter, less credits claimed                        |
| 23 | against the tax; and  |
| 24 | (2) other information for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of                   |
| 25 | this chapter that the department requires.  |
| 26 | * <b>Sec. 3.</b> AS 43.20.031(i) is amended to read:                                      |
| 27 | (i) A <u>taxpaver that</u> [CORPORATION WHICH] is a member of a group of                  |
| 28 | unitary corporations or entities that [WHICH] collectively has income from business       |
| 29 | activity taxable both inside and outside the state, or income from other sources both     |
| 30 | inside and outside the state, shall determine its income from sources in this state by    |
| 31 | use of the combined method of accounting.   |

| 1  | * Sec. 4. AS 43.20.145(a) is amended to read:  |
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| 2  | (a) A taxpayer [CORPORATION] that is a member of an affiliated group                   |
| 3  | shall file a return using the water's edge combined reporting method. A return under   |
| 4  | this section must include the following entities [CORPORATIONS] if the entities        |
| 5  | [CORPORATIONS] are part of a unitary business with the taxpaver [FILING                |
| 6  | CORPORATION]:  |
| 7  | (1) an affiliated corporation that is eligible to be included in a federal             |
| 8  | consolidated return under 26 U.S.C. 1501 - 1505 (Internal Revenue Code) if the         |
| 9  | corporation's property, payroll, and sales factors in the United States average        |
| 10 | (A) 20 percent or more; or   |
| 11 | (B) under 20 percent, if the corporation does not meet the                             |
| 12 | requirements of 26 U.S.C. 861(c);  |
| 13 | (2) a domestic international sales corporation; in this paragraph,                     |
| 14 | "domestic international sales corporation" has the meaning given in 26 U.S.C. 992(a);  |
| 15 | (3) a foreign sales corporation; in this paragraph, "foreign sales                     |
| 16 | corporation" has the meaning given to the term "FSC" in 26 U.S.C. 922(a);              |
| 17 | (4) a corporation, regardless of the place where the corporation was                   |
| 18 | incorporated, if the corporation's property, payroll, and sales factors in the United  |
| 19 | States average 20 percent or more;   |
| 20 | (5) a corporation that is incorporated in or does business in a country                |
| 21 | that does not impose an income tax, or that imposes an income tax at a rate lower than |
| 22 | 90 percent of the United States income tax rate on the income tax base of the          |
| 23 | corporation in the United States, if   |
| 24 | (A) 50 percent or more of the sales, purchases, or payments of                         |
| 25 | income or expenses, exclusive of payments for intangible property, of the              |
| 26 | corporation are made directly or indirectly to one or more members of a group          |
| 27 | of corporations filing under the water's edge combined reporting method;               |
| 28 | (B) the corporation does not conduct significant economic                              |
| 29 | activity.  |
| 30 | * Sec. 5. AS 43.20.145(b) is amended to read:  |
| 31 | (b) When computing taxable income for a <b>taxpayer</b> [CORPORATION] under            |

| 1  | (a) of this section, the following amounts shall be excluded:                               |
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| 2  | (1) 80 percent of dividend income received from foreign corporations;                       |
| 3  | (2) an amount treated as a dividend under 26 U.S.C. 78;                                     |
| 4  | (3) 80 percent of the royalties accrued or received from a foreign                          |
| 5  | corporation.  |
| 6  | * Sec. 6. AS 43.20.145(d) is amended to read:   |
| 7  | (d) Dividends and royalties taxable to a <b>taxpayer</b> [CORPORATION] using                |
| 8  | the water's edge combined reporting method are in lieu of an expense attribution for        |
| 9  | income excluded under (b) of this section.  |
| 10 | * Sec. 7. AS 43.20.145(e) is amended to read:   |
| 11 | (e) The department may require a <b>taxpayer</b> [CORPORATION] that files                   |
| 12 | under (a) of this section to file a report under AS 43.20.142 and 43.20.143 prepared        |
| 13 | without regard to this section if the taxpayer [CORPORATION] or an affiliated               |
| 14 | entity [CORPORATION]  |
| 15 | (1) fails to comply with regulations adopted under this chapter                             |
| 16 | including domestic disclosure spread sheet filing requirements; or                          |
| 17 | (2) does not provide information that is requested by the department                        |
| 18 | that is necessary for the department to audit the taxpayer's corporate return in a          |
| 19 | reasonable period of time.  |
| 20 | * Sec. 8. AS 43.20.145(g) is amended to read:   |
| 21 | (g) An entity [A CORPORATION] that has signed a contract approved by the                    |
| 22 | legislature as a result of submission of a proposed contract developed under AS 43.82       |
| 23 | or as a result of acts by the legislature in implementing the purposes of AS 43.82          |
| 24 | providing for payments in lieu of the tax under this chapter and that has nexus with the    |
| 25 | state solely as the result of the entity's [CORPORATION'S] participation in the             |
| 26 | approved qualified project that is subject to the contract is not required to file a return |
| 27 | under this section unless required to do so by the contract.                                |
| 28 | * Sec. 9. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to   |
| 29 | read:   |
| 30 | APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to an entity with qualified taxable income over             |
| 31 | \$5,000,000 for a tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2025.                           |

- \* Sec. 10. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:
- 3 TRANSITION: PAYMENT OF TAX. A person subject to tax before the effective
- 4 date of this Act under AS 43.20.019, added by sec. 1 of this Act, shall pay the balance of the
- 5 tax due for a tax year ending before January 1, 2026, by January 1, 2026. Until January 1,
- 6 2026, the Department of Revenue shall waive interest that would otherwise accrue under
- AS 43.05.225 and civil and criminal penalties accruing under AS 43.05.220, 43.05.245, and
- 8 43.05.290 that are a result of the retroactivity of this Act.
- 9 \* Sec. 11. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
- 10 read:
- 11 RETROACTIVITY OF REGULATIONS. Notwithstanding a contrary provision of
- 12 AS 44.62.240, if the Department of Revenue expressly designates in the regulation that the
- 13 regulation applies retroactively to a specific date, a regulation adopted by the department to
- implement, interpret, make specific, or otherwise carry out this Act applies retroactively to
- 15 that date.
- \* Sec. 12. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
- 17 read:
- 18 RETROACTIVITY. This Act is retroactive to January 1, 2025.
- \* Sec. 13. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).