## SENATE BILL 17

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#### AN ACT

RELATING TO TAXATION; REQUIRING COMBINED REPORTING FOR A BANK THAT IS A UNITARY CORPORATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 7-2A-8.3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1983, Chapter 213, Section 12, as amended) is amended to read:

# "7-2A-8.3. COMBINED RETURNS.--

A. Except as provided in Subsections B and C of this section, a unitary corporation that is subject to taxation under the Corporate Income and Franchise Tax Act and that has not previously filed a combined return pursuant to this section or a consolidated return pursuant to Section 7-2A-8.4 NMSA 1978 may elect to file a combined return with other unitary corporations as though the entire combined net income were that of one corporation [provided, however, that].

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B. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2014, a unitary corporation that provides retail sales of goods in a facility of more than thirty thousand square feet under one roof in New Mexico shall file a combined return with other unitary corporations as though the entire combined net income were that of one corporation. [The return filed under this method of reporting]

- C. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2015, a bank that is a unitary corporation shall file a combined return with other unitary corporations as though the entire combined net income were that of one corporation.
- D. A combined return filed pursuant to this section shall include the net income of all the unitary corporations. Transactions among the unitary corporations may be eliminated by applying the appropriate rules for reporting income for a consolidated federal income tax return. Any corporation that has filed an income tax return with New Mexico pursuant to Section 7-2A-8.4 NMSA 1978 shall not file pursuant to this section unless the secretary gives prior permission to file on a combined return basis.
- [B.] E. Once corporations have reported net income through a combined return for any taxable year, they shall file combined returns for subsequent taxable years, so long as they remain unitary corporations, unless the corporations elect to file pursuant to Section 7-2A-8.4 NMSA 1978 or unless the

secretary grants prior permission for one or more of the corporations to file individually.

[6.] F. For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1993, no unitary corporation once included in a combined return may elect, or be granted permission by the secretary, for any subsequent taxable year to separately account pursuant to Paragraph (4) of Subsection A of Section 7-2A-8 NMSA 1978.

- $[rac{D_{ullet}}{G_{ullet}}]$  Notwithstanding Subsection A of this section, a unitary corporation shall not be required to file a combined return pursuant to Subsection B of this section if that unitary corporation:
- (1) has operations in New Mexico at facilities that do not provide retail sales of goods; and
- (2) employs at least seven hundred fifty employees in New Mexico at such facilities."

**SECTION 2.** APPLICABILITY.--The provisions of this act apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2015.

**SECTION 3.** EFFECTIVE DATE.--The effective date of the provisions of this act is January 1, 2015.

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