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STATE SENATOR • TWENTY FIRST SENATE DISTRICT

January 21, 1999

To:

Marc E. Shovers

From:

Sen. Kimberly Plache (John Anderson)

Re:

Payment Schedule for DOR Compromises with

Those with Delinquent Taxes

Please draft legislation which would allow the Department of Revenue to set up a payment schedule with someone with whom the dept has reached a compromise regarding delinquent taxes.

It is my understanding that, under current law, a person who has reached a compromise with the DOR over his/her delinquent taxes must pay the compromise in one lump sum. My bill would allow the DOR to set up a payment schedule not to exceed more than one year.

Please call me if you have any questions at 266-1832.

Thank you for your assistance with this legislation.



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AN ACT ...; relating to: authorizing payment schedules for delinquent taxpayers

who enter into a compromise with the department of revenue.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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If within three years of the date of a compromise DOR determines that the taxpayer has an income or property sufficient to enable the taxpayer to pay the DOK remainder of the tax, including costs, penalties and interest, the department must reopen the matter and order the payment in full of such taxes, costs, penalties and interest. Before entering the order, however, DOR must provide the taxpayer with written notice advising the taxpayer of DOR's intention and fixing a time and place for the taxpayer to appear if the taxpayer desires a hearing. After entering the order. DOR is required to make a record of the principal amount of the taxes, and penalties, costs and interest, that are ordered to be paid and such taxes are immediately due, payable and subject to interest.

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For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 71.92 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

71.92 (3) Any taxpayer may petition the department of revenue to compromise his or her delinquent income or franchise taxes including the costs, penalties and interest. Such The petition shall set forth a sworn statement of the taxpayer and shall be in such a form as that the department shall prescribe prescribes and the department may examine the petitioner under oath concerning the matter. If the department finds that the taxpayer is unable to pay the taxes, costs, penalties and interest in full it shall determine the amount the taxpayer is able to pay and shall enter an order reducing such taxes, costs, penalties and interest in accordance with such the determination. Such The order shall provide that such the compromise shall be if paid in a lump sum, is effective only if paid within 10 days or the order shall provide that the compromise is effective if paid within one year if the taxpayer and the department agree to set up a payment schedule. The department or its collection agents upon receipt of such the order shall accept payment in accordance with the order. Upon payment the department shall credit the unpaid portion of the principal amount of such taxes and make appropriate record of the unpaid amount of penalties, costs, and interest accrued to the date of such the order. If within 3 years of the date of such the compromise order the department shall ascertains that the taxpayer has an income or property sufficient to enable the taxpayer to pay the **BILL**

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History: 1987 a. 312; 1989 a. 31; 1991 a. 39; 1997 a. 237. History: 1987 a. 312; 1989 a. 31; 1991 a. 39; 1997 a. 237. (END)

Memo re: LRB/2000- Setting up payment plan for delinquent taxes

Senator Plache would like the following changes made to the LRB/2000:

Lines 11-13: DOR does not want to be required to set up an installment payment plan if they determine that the taxpayer has the ability to pay in full. They suggest: "or the order shall provide that the compromise is effective if that within one year if the department agrees to a payment schedule."

Line 15: Amend "upon payment" to reflect all installment payments must be made in the case of a payment schedule before DOR credits unpaid portions.

Line 17-18: In the case of a payment schedule, DOR should be able to reopen within 3 years of the final payment on the payment schedule.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Andy Engel Leq. Assistant Senator Kim Plache





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SUBMITTAL FORM

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU Legal Section Telephone: 266-3561 5th Floor, 100 N. Hamilton Street

The attached draft is submitted for your inspection. Please check each part carefully, proofread each word, and sign on the appropriate line(s) below.

Date: 3/31/99 To: Senator Plache Relating to LRB drafting number: LRB-2000 **Topic** Allow DOR to set up payment schedules for delinquent taxes compromises Subject(s) Tax - miscellaneous 1. JACKET the draft for introduction Jumberly Mr. Slack in the Senate or the Assembly (check only one). Only the requester under whose name the drafting request is entered in the LRB's drafting records may authorize the draft to be submitted. Please allow one day for the preparation of the required copies. 2. **REDRAFT.** See the changes indicated or attached A revised draft will be submitted for your approval with changes incorporated. 3. Obtain FISCAL ESTIMATE NOW, prior to introduction _ If the analysis indicates that a fiscal estimate is required because the proposal makes an appropriation or increases or decreases existing appropriations or state or general local government fiscal liability or revenues, you have the option to request the fiscal estimate prior to introduction. If you choose to introduce the proposal without the fiscal estimate, the fiscal estimate will be requested automatically upon introduction. It takes about 10 days to obtain a fiscal estimate. Requesting the fiscal estimate prior to introduction retains your flexibility for possible redrafting of the proposal. If you have any questions regarding the above procedures, please call 266-3561. If you have any questions

relating to the attached draft, please feel free to call me.

Marc E. Shovers, Senior Legislative Attorney Telephone: (608) 266-0129