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Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section
- 2 77-2733, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions
- 3 relating to the taxation of nonresident income; to provide an
- 4 operative date; to provide severability; and to repeal the original
- 5 section.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 77-2733, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

- 2 amended to read:
- 3 77-2733 (1) The income of a nonresident individual derived from
- 4 sources within this state shall be the sum of the following:
- 5 (a) The net amount of items of income, gain, loss, and deduction
- 6 entering into his or her federal taxable income which are derived from or
- 7 connected with sources in this state including (i) his or her
- 8 distributive share of partnership income and deductions determined under
- 9 section 77-2729, (ii) his or her share of small business corporation or
- 10 limited liability company income determined under section 77-2734.01, and
- 11 (iii) his or her share of estate or trust income and deductions
- 12 determined under section 77-2725; and
- 13 (b) The portion of the modifications described in section 77-2716
- 14 which relates to income derived from sources in this state, including any
- 15 modifications attributable to him or her as a partner.
- 16 (2) Items of income, gain, loss, and deduction derived from or
- 17 connected with sources within this state are those items attributable to:
- 18 (a) The ownership or disposition of any interest in real or tangible
- 19 personal property in this state;
- 20 (b) A business, trade, profession, or occupation carried on in this
- 21 state; and
- (c) Any lottery prize awarded in a lottery game conducted pursuant
- 23 to the State Lottery Act.
- 24 (3) Income from intangible personal property including annuities,
- 25 dividends, interest, and gains from the disposition of intangible
- 26 personal property shall constitute income derived from sources within
- 27 this state only to the extent that such income is from property employed
- 28 in a business, trade, profession, or occupation carried on in this state.
- 29 (4) Deductions with respect to capital losses, net long-term capital
- 30 gains, and net operating losses shall be based solely on income, gains,
- 31 losses, and deductions derived from or connected with sources in this

- 1 state, under rules and regulations to be prescribed by the Tax
- 2 Commissioner, but otherwise shall be determined in the same manner as the
- 3 corresponding federal deductions.
- 4 (5) If a business, trade, profession, or occupation is carried on
- 5 partly within and partly without this state, the items of income and
- 6 deduction derived from or connected with sources within this state shall
- 7 be determined by apportionment under rules and regulations to be
- 8 prescribed by the Tax Commissioner.
- 9 (6) Compensation paid by the United States for service in the armed
- 10 forces of the United States performed by a nonresident individual shall
- 11 not constitute income derived from sources within this state.
- 12 (7) Compensation paid by a resident estate or trust for services by
- 13 a nonresident fiduciary shall constitute income derived from sources
- 14 within this state.
- 15 (8) Except as provided in subsection (9) of this section,
- 16 <u>compensation</u> Compensation paid by a business, trade, or profession shall
- 17 constitute income derived from sources within this state if:
- 18 (a) The individual's service is performed entirely within this
- 19 state;
- 20 (b) The individual's service is performed both within and without
- 21 this state, but the service performed without this state is incidental to
- 22 the individual's service within this state;
- (c) The individual's service is performed without this state, but
- 24 the service performed without this state is related to the transactions
- 25 and activity of the business, trade, or profession carried on within this
- 26 state; or
- 27 (d) Some of the service is performed in this state and (i) the base
- 28 of operations or, if there is no base of operations, the place from which
- 29 the service is directed or controlled is in this state or (ii) the base
- 30 of operations or the place from which the service is directed or
- 31 controlled is not in any state in which some part of the service is

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- 1 performed, but the individual's residence is in this state.
- 2 <u>(9)(a) For purposes of this subsection:</u>
- 3 (i) Professional athlete means an athlete who performs services in a
- 4 professional athletic event for compensation;
- 5 (ii) Professional entertainer means a person who performs services
- 6 <u>in the professional performing arts for compensation on a per-event</u>
- 7 basis;
- 8 (iii) Public figure means a person of prominence who performs
- 9 services at discrete events, including, but not limited to, speeches,
- 10 public appearances, or similar events, for compensation on a per-event
- 11 <u>basis</u>. Public figure does not include a member of a business's board of
- 12 <u>directors or similar governing body; and</u>
- 13 <u>(iv) Time and attendance system means a system through which an</u>
- 14 individual is required to record the individual's work location for every
- 15 <u>day worked outside the state where the individual's employment duties are</u>
- 16 primarily performed and which is designed to allow the employer to
- 17 allocate the individual's compensation for income tax purposes among all
- 18 states in which the individual performs employment duties for the
- 19 <u>employer</u>.
- 20 <u>(b) Compensation paid to a nonresident individual shall not</u>
- 21 constitute income derived from sources within this state if all of the
- 22 <u>following conditions apply:</u>
- 23 (i) The compensation is paid for employment duties performed by the
- 24 individual while present in this state for thirty or fewer days in the
- 25 <u>taxable year;</u>
- 26 <u>(ii) The individual performed employment duties in more than one</u>
- 27 <u>state during the taxable year; and</u>
- 28 (iii) The compensation is not paid for employment duties performed
- 29 by the individual in the individual's capacity as a professional athlete,
- 30 professional entertainer, or public figure.
- 31 (c) An employer is not required to withhold taxes for compensation

- 1 that is paid to an individual described in subdivision (9)(b) of this
- 2 <u>section, except that if, during the taxable year, the individual performs</u>
- 3 employment duties while present in this state for more than thirty days,
- 4 an employer shall withhold and remit taxes for every day the individual
- 5 performed employment duties while present in this state in that taxable
- 6 year, including the first thirty days in which the individual performs
- 7 employment duties in this state.
- 8 <u>(d) The Department of Revenue shall not require the payment of any</u>
- 9 penalties or interest otherwise applicable for failing to deduct and
- 10 withhold income taxes if, when determining whether withholding was
- 11 <u>required, the employer met either of the following conditions:</u>
- 12 <u>(i) The employer, in its sole discretion, maintains a time and</u>
- 13 <u>attendance system specifically designed to allocate employee wages for</u>
- 14 <u>income tax purposes among all taxing jurisdictions in which an individual</u>
- 15 performs employment duties for such employer, and the employer relied on
- 16 data from that system; or
- 17 (ii) The employer does not maintain a time and attendance system and
- 18 the employer relied on (A) its own records, maintained in the regular
- 19 course of business, of the individual's location, (B) the individual's
- 20 reasonable determination of the time the individual expected to spend
- 21 performing employment duties in this state, provided that the employer
- 22 did not have actual knowledge of fraud on the part of the individual in
- 23 making the determination and that the employer and the individual did not
- 24 conspire to evade taxation in making the determination, (C) travel
- 25 records, (D) travel expense reimbursement records, or (E) a written
- 26 statement from the individual of the number of days spent performing
- 27 <u>services in this state during the taxable year.</u>
- 28 (e) Compensation that is paid to a nonresident individual who serves
- 29 on the board of directors or similar governing body of a business and
- 30 that relates to board or governing body activities taking place in this
- 31 state shall not constitute income derived from sources within this state.

- 1 (f) For purposes of this subsection, an individual shall be
- 2 considered present and performing employment duties within this state for
- 3 <u>a day if the individual performs more of the individual's employment</u>
- 4 duties in this state than in any other state during that day. Any portion
- 5 of the day during which the individual is in transit shall not be
- 6 considered in determining the location of an individual's performance of
- 7 employment duties.
- 8 Sec. 2. This act becomes operative for all taxable years beginning
- 9 or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2024, under the Internal
- 10 Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- 11 Sec. 3. If any section in this act or any part of any section is
- 12 declared invalid or unconstitutional, the declaration shall not affect
- 13 the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions.
- 14 Sec. 4. Original section 77-2733, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 15 Nebraska, is repealed.