

## **SENATE BILL 743:**

## The Disaster Recovery Act of 2024 - Part II, Sec. 4H.1: Expand Waiver of Interest Provisions for Tax Preparers/Tax Records

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Analysis of: Sec. 4H.1 of S.L. 2024-53
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OVERVIEW: Section 4H.1 of S.L. 2024-53 extends to taxpayers whose tax preparers or tax records are located in a disaster county the waiver provision applicable to interest on an underpayment of tax for certain periods of time for taxpayers located in a disaster county, which was provided in Sec. 13.1 of S.L. 2024-51. However, for these taxpayers, the waiver is not automatic and is granted only upon request. A taxpayer seeking this waiver must have notified the Department of Revenue within 30 days of the act becoming law, which occurred on October 25, 2024.

This section became effective on October 25, 2024.

**CURRENT LAW:** Section 13.1 of S.L. 2024-51 provided for an automatic waiver of the accrual of interest on an underpayment of tax for certain periods of time for taxpayers located in a disaster county. The waiver applies to interest on franchise, corporate income, individual income (including withholding), and sales and use tax.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Section 4H.1 of this act expands this waiver provision for the same time periods to additionally include taxpayers whose tax preparers or records needed to meet a tax deadline are located in a disaster county, but this waiver is not automatic and was granted only upon request. A taxpayer seeking this waiver must have notified the Department of Revenue within 30 days of this act becoming law, which occurred on October 25, 2024.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This section became effective on October 25, 2024.

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