19

20

1	H.416
2	Introduced by Representatives Browning of Arlington and Sullivan of Dorset
3	Referred to Committee on
4	Date:
5	Subject: Taxation; personal income tax; earned income tax credit; rates
6	Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to increase the
7	percentage of the earned income tax credit paid in Vermont and adjust personal
8	income tax rates to pay for the increase.
9	An act relating to increasing Vermont's earned income tax credit
10	It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:
11	Sec. 1. 32 V.S.A. § 5828b is amended to read:
12	§ 5828b. EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT
13	(a) A resident individual or part-year resident individual who is entitled to
14	an earned income tax credit granted under the laws of the United States shall
15	be entitled to a credit against the tax imposed for each year by section 5822 of
16	this title. The credit shall be $\frac{36}{42}$ percent of the earned income tax credit
17	granted to the individual under the laws of the United States, multiplied by the
18	percentage that the individual's earned income that is earned or received

during the period of the individual's residency in this State bears to the

individual's total earned income.

20

1	* * *
2	Sec. 2. 2018 (Sp. Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. H.2 is amended to
3	read:
4	Sec. H.2 PERSONAL INCOME TAX RATES
5	(a) 2009 Spec. Sess. Acts and Resolves No. 2, Sec. 20 is repealed.
6	(b) For taxable year 2018 and after only, income tax rates under 32 V.S.A.
7	§ 5822(a)(1)–(5), after taking into consideration any inflation adjustments to
8	taxable income as required by 32 V.S.A. § 5822(b)(2), shall be as follows:
9	(1) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been
10	subject to a rate of 3.55 percent shall be taxed at the rate of 3.35 percent
11	instead;
12	(2) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been
13	subject to a rate of 6.80 percent shall be taxed at the rate of 6.60 percent
14	instead;
15	(3) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been
16	subject to a rate of 7.80 percent shall be taxed at the rate of 7.60 percent
17	instead;
18	(4) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been
19	subject to a rate of 8.80 percent or 8.95 percent shall be taxed at the rate of

8.75 percent instead; the tax brackets for taxable income taxed at 8.80 percent

1	and 8.95 percent in taxable year 2017 shall be combined to be taxed at a rate of
2	8.75 percent for taxable year 2018 and after.
3	(c) For taxable year 2019 and after, income tax rates under 32 V.S.A.
4	§ 5822(a)(1)–(5), after taking into consideration any inflation adjustments to
5	taxable income as required by 32 V.S.A. § 5822(b)(2), shall be as follows:
6	(1) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been
7	subject to a rate of 3.55 percent shall be taxed at the rate of 3.35 percent
8	instead;
9	(2) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been
10	subject to a rate of 6.80 percent shall be taxed at the rate of 6.60 percent
11	instead;
12	(3) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been
13	subject to a rate of 7.80 percent shall be taxed at the rate of 7.60 percent
14	instead;
15	(4) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been
16	subject to a rate of 8.80 percent shall be taxed at the rate of 8.85 percent
17	instead;
18	(5) taxable income that without the passage of this act would have been
19	subject to a rate of 8.95 percent shall be taxed at the rate of 9.0 percent instead.

1	(e)(d) When preparing the Vermont Statutes Annotated for publication, the
2	Office of Legislative Council shall revise the tables in 32 V.S.A. § 5822(a)(1)–
3	(5) to reflect the changes to the tax rates and tax brackets made in this section.
4	Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE
5	Notwithstanding 1 V.S.A. § 214, this act shall take effect retroactively on
6	January 1, 2019 and apply to taxable year 2019 and after.