

1041(d) of Pub. L. 93-406, set out as an Effective Date note under section 7476 of this title.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 6215, 7463 of this title.

§ 7460. Provisions of special application to divisions

(a) Hearings, determinations, and reports

A division shall hear, and make a determination upon, any proceeding instituted before the Tax Court and any motion in connection therewith, assigned to such division by the chief judge, and shall make a report of any such determination which constitutes its final disposition of the proceeding.

(b) Effect of action by a division

The report of the division shall become the report of the Tax Court within 30 days after such report by the division, unless within such period the chief judge has directed that such report shall be reviewed by the Tax Court. Any preliminary action by a division which does not form the basis for the entry of the final decision shall not be subject to review by the Tax Court except in accordance with such rules as the Tax Court may prescribe. The report of a division shall not be a part of the record in any case in which the chief judge directs that such report shall be reviewed by the Tax Court.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 887.)

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 7459, 7463 of this title.

§ 7461. Publicity of proceedings

(a) General rule

Except as provided in subsection (b), all reports of the Tax Court and all evidence received by the Tax Court and its divisions, including a transcript of the stenographic report of the hearings, shall be public records open to the inspection of the public.

(b) Exceptions

(1) Trade secrets or other confidential information

The Tax Court may make any provision which is necessary to prevent the disclosure of trade secrets or other confidential information, including a provision that any document or information be placed under seal to be opened only as directed by the court.

(2) Evidence, etc.

After the decision of the Tax Court in any proceeding has become final, the Tax Court may, upon motion of the taxpayer or the Secretary, permit the withdrawal by the party entitled thereto of originals of books, documents, and records, and of models, diagrams, and other exhibits, introduced in evidence before the Tax Court or any division; or the Tax Court may, on its own motion, make such other disposition thereof as it deems advisable.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 887; Oct. 4, 1976, Pub. L. 94-455, title XIX, §1906(b)(13)(A), 90 Stat.

1834; July 18, 1984, Pub. L. 98-369, div. A, title IV, §465(a), 98 Stat. 825.)

AMENDMENTS

1984—Pub. L. 98-369, in amending section generally, designated existing provisions as subsecs. (a) and (b)(2), added subsec. (b)(1), and in subsec. (b)(2), as so designated, struck out reference to the Secretary's delegate.

1976—Pub. L. 94-455 struck out "or his delegate" after "Secretary".

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Section 465(b) of Pub. L. 98-369 provided that: "The amendment made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [July 18, 1984]."

CROSS REFERENCES

Management and disposition of records, see sections 2901 et seq., 3101 et seq., and 3301 et seq. of Title 44, Public Printing and Documents.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 6110 of this title.

§ 7462. Publication of reports

The Tax Court shall provide for the publication of its reports at the Government Printing Office in such form and manner as may be best adapted for public information and use, and such authorized publication shall be competent evidence of the reports of the Tax Court therein contained in all courts of the United States and of the several States without any further proof or authentication thereof. Such reports shall be subject to sale in the same manner and upon the same terms as other public documents.

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 887.)

§ 7463. Disputes involving \$10,000 or less

(a) In general

In the case of any petition filed with the Tax Court for a redetermination of a deficiency where neither the amount of the deficiency placed in dispute, nor the amount of any claimed overpayment, exceeds—

- (1) \$10,000 for any one taxable year, in the case of the taxes imposed by subtitle A,
- (2) \$10,000, in the case of the tax imposed by chapter 11,
- (3) \$10,000 for any one calendar year, in the case of the tax imposed by chapter 12, or
- (4) \$10,000 for any 1 taxable period (or, if there is no taxable period, taxable event) in the case of any tax imposed by subtitle D which is described in section 6212(a) (relating to a notice of deficiency),

at the option of the taxpayer concurred in by the Tax Court or a division thereof before the hearing of the case, proceedings in the case shall be conducted under this section. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 7453, such proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with such rules of evidence, practice, and procedure as the Tax Court may prescribe. A decision, together with a brief summary of the reasons therefor, in any such case shall satisfy the requirements of sections 7459(b) and 7460.

(b) Finality of decisions

A decision entered in any case in which the proceedings are conducted under this section

shall not be reviewed in any other court and shall not be treated as a precedent for any other case.

(c) Limitation of jurisdiction

In any case in which the proceedings are conducted under this section, notwithstanding the provisions of sections 6214(a) and 6512(b), no decision shall be entered redetermining the amount of a deficiency, or determining an overpayment, except with respect to amounts placed in dispute within the limits described in subsection (a) and with respect to amounts conceded by the parties.

(d) Discontinuance of proceedings

At any time before a decision entered in a case in which the proceedings are conducted under this section becomes final, the taxpayer or the Secretary may request that further proceedings under this section in such case be discontinued. The Tax Court, or the division thereof hearing such case, may, if it finds that (1) there are reasonable grounds for believing that the amount of the deficiency placed in dispute, or the amount of an overpayment, exceeds the applicable jurisdictional amount described in subsection (a), and (2) the amount of such excess is large enough to justify granting such request, discontinue further proceedings in such case under this section. Upon any such discontinuance, proceedings in such case shall be conducted in the same manner as cases to which the provisions of sections 6214(a) and 6512(b) apply.

(e) Amount of deficiency in dispute

For purposes of this section, the amount of any deficiency placed in dispute includes additions to the tax, additional amounts, and penalties imposed by chapter 68, to the extent that the procedures described in subchapter B of chapter 63 apply.

(Added Pub. L. 91-172, title IX, §957(a), Dec. 30, 1969, 83 Stat. 733; amended Pub. L. 92-512, title II, §203(b)(1), (2), Oct. 20, 1972, 86 Stat. 945; Pub. L. 94-455, title XIX, §1906(b)(13)(A), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1834; Pub. L. 95-600, title V, §502(a)(1), (2)(A), (b), Nov. 6, 1978, 92 Stat. 2879; Pub. L. 96-222, title I, §105(a)(1)(A), Apr. 1, 1980, 94 Stat. 218; Pub. L. 97-362, title I, §106(a)(1), Oct. 25, 1982, 96 Stat. 1730; Pub. L. 98-369, div. A, title IV, §461(a)(1), (2)(A), July 18, 1984, 98 Stat. 823; Pub. L. 101-508, title XI, §11801(c)(21)(B), Nov. 5, 1990, 104 Stat. 1388-528.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 7463 was renumbered section 7465 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1990—Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 101-508 struck out subsec. (f) “Qualified State individual income taxes” which read as follows: “For purposes of this section, a deficiency placed in dispute or claimed overpayment with regard to a qualified State individual income tax to which subchapter E of chapter 64 applies, for a taxable year, shall be treated as a portion of a deficiency placed in dispute or claimed overpayment of the income tax for that taxable year.”

1984—Pub. L. 98-369, §461(a)(2)(A), substituted “\$10,000” for “\$5,000” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 98-369, §461(a)(1), substituted “\$10,000” for “\$5,000” in pars. (1) to (4).

1982—Section (a)(4). Pub. L. 97-362 added par. (4).

1980—Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 96-222 struck out subsec. (g) which authorized the chief judge of the Tax Court to assign proceedings conducted under this section to be heard by the Commissioners of the court.

1978—Pub. L. 95-600, §502(a)(2)(A), substituted “\$5,000” for “\$1,500” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 95-600, §502(a)(1), “\$5,000 for any one taxable year, in the case of the taxes imposed by subtitle A” for “\$1,500 for any one taxable year, in the case of the taxes imposed by subtitle A and chapter 12, or” in par. (1), “\$5,000, in the case of the tax imposed by chapter 11, or” for “\$1,500 in the case of the tax imposed by chapter 11,” in par. (2), and added par. (3).

Subsec. (g). Pub. L. 95-600, §502(b), added subsec. (g). 1976—Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 94-455 struck out “or his delegate” after “Secretary”.

1972—Pub. L. 92-512, §203(b)(2), substituted “\$1,500” for “\$1,000” in section catchline.

Subsec. (a)(1), (2). Pub. L. 92-512, §203(b)(2), substituted “\$1,500” for “\$1,000”.

Subsec. (f). Pub. L. 92-512, §203(b)(1), added subsec. (f).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Section 461(b) of Pub. L. 98-369 provided that: “The amendments made by this section [amending this section] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [July 18, 1984].”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1982 AMENDMENT

Section 106(a)(2) of Pub. L. 97-362 provided that: “The amendment made by this subsection [amending this section] shall apply with respect to petitions filed after the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 25, 1982].”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1980 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 96-222 effective Apr. 1, 1980, see section 105(b)(1) of Pub. L. 96-222, set out as a note under section 7456 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1978 AMENDMENT

Section 502(d) of Pub. L. 95-600 provided that:

“(1) SUBSECTION (a).—The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section] shall take effect on the first day of the first calendar month beginning more than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Nov. 6, 1978].

“(2) SUBSECTIONS (b) AND (c).—The amendments made by subsection (b) [amending this section] and (c) [amending section 7456 of this title] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1972 AMENDMENT

Section 204 of title II of Pub. L. 92-512, as amended by Pub. L. 94-455, title XXI, §2116(a), Oct. 4, 1976, 90 Stat. 1910; Pub. L. 99-514, §2, Oct. 22, 1986, 100 Stat. 2095, provided that:

“(a) GENERAL RULE.—Except as provided in subsections (b) and (c), the provisions of this title (and the amendments made thereby) [enacting this section and sections 6362 and 6363 of this title and amending this section and section 6405 of this title] shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act [Oct. 20, 1972].

“(b) COLLECTION AND ADMINISTRATION OF STATE TAXES BY THE UNITED STATES MAY NOT BEGIN BEFORE JANUARY 1, 1974.—Section 6361 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 [formerly I.R.C. 1954] (as added by section 202(a) of this Act) shall take effect on whichever of the following is the later:

“(1) January 1, 1974, or

“(2) the first January 1 which is more than one year after the first date on which at least one State has notified the Secretary of the Treasury or his delegate of an election to enter into an agreement under section 6363 of such Code.

“(c) JURISDICTION OF TAX COURT IN DISPUTES INVOLVING \$1,500 OR LESS.—The amendments made by paragraphs (2) and (3) of section 203(b) of this Act [amending this section] shall take effect on January 1, 1974.”

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 962(e) of Pub. L. 91-172 provided that: "The amendments made by sections 957 [enacting this section] and 960(a), (b), (f), and (i) [amending sections 6214, 6512, 7453, 7456, 7481, 7487, of this title] shall take effect one year after the date of enactment of this Act [Dec. 30, 1969]."

SAVINGS PROVISION

For provisions that nothing in amendment by Pub. L. 101-508 be construed to affect treatment of certain transactions occurring, property acquired, or items of income, loss, deduction, or credit taken into account prior to Nov. 5, 1990, for purposes of determining liability for tax for periods ending after Nov. 5, 1990, see section 11821(b) of Pub. L. 101-508, set out as a note under section 29 of this title.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 6214, 6512, 7430, 7436, 7443A, 7453, 7481, 7487 of this title.

§ 7464. Intervention by trustee of debtor's estate

The trustee of the debtor's estate in any case under title 11 of the United States Code may intervene, on behalf of the debtor's estate, in any proceeding before the Tax Court to which the debtor is a party.

(Added Pub. L. 96-589, §6(c)(1), Dec. 24, 1980, 94 Stat. 3407.)

PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 7464 was renumbered section 7465 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section effective Oct. 1, 1979, but not applicable to proceedings under Title 11, Bankruptcy, commenced before Oct. 1, 1979, see section 7(e) of Pub. L. 96-589, set out as an Effective Date of 1980 Amendment note under section 108 of this title.

§ 7465. Provisions of special application to transferees

(1) For rules of burden of proof in transferee proceedings, see section 6902(a).

(2) For authority of Tax Court to prescribe rules by which a transferee of property of a taxpayer shall be entitled to examine books, records and other evidence, see section 6902(b).

(Aug. 16, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 888, §7463; renumbered §7464, Dec. 30, 1969, Pub. L. 91-172, title IX, §957(a), 83 Stat. 733; renumbered §7465, Dec. 24, 1980, Pub. L. 96-589, §6(c)(1), 94 Stat. 3407.)

PART III—MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

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AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-647, title I, §1018(u)(45), Nov. 10, 1988, 102 Stat. 3592, added item 7475.

§ 7471. Employees**(a) Appointment and compensation**

The Tax Court is authorized to appoint, in accordance with the provisions of title 5, United

States Code, governing appointment in the competitive service, and to fix the basic pay of, in accordance with chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of such title, such employees as may be necessary efficiently to execute the functions vested in the Tax Court.

(b) Expenses for travel and subsistence

The employees of the Tax Court shall receive their necessary traveling expenses, and expenses for subsistence while traveling on duty and away from their designated stations, as provided in chapter 57 of title 5, United States Code.

(c) Special trial judges

For compensation and travel and subsistence allowances of special trial judges of the Tax Court, see subsections (d) and (e) of section 7443A.

(Aug. 6, 1954, ch. 736, 68A Stat. 888; Dec. 30, 1969, Pub. L. 91-172, title IX, §960(g), 83 Stat. 734; Oct. 4, 1976, Pub. L. 94-455, title XIX, §1906(a)(47), 90 Stat. 1831; July 18, 1984, Pub. L. 98-369, div. A, title IV, §464(d), 98 Stat. 825; Oct. 22, 1986, Pub. L. 99-514, title XV, §1556(b)(2), 100 Stat. 2755.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The provisions of title 5, United States Code, governing appointment in the competitive service, referred to in subsec. (a), are classified generally to section 3301 et seq. of Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

AMENDMENTS

1986—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 99-514 substituted "subsections (d) and (e) of section 7443A" for "section 7456(c)".

1984—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 98-369 substituted references to special trial judges for references to commissioners in the subsection heading and text.

1976—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 94-455, §1906(a)(47)(A), among other changes, substituted provisions referring to title 5 of the United States Code for provisions referring to the civil service law, and to chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5 for the Classification Act of 1949.

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 94-455, §1906(a)(47)(B), substituted "as provided in chapter 57 of title 5, United States Code" for "as provided in the Travel Expense Act of 1949 (63 Stat. 166; 5 U.S.C. chapter 16)".

1969—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 91-172 inserted reference to the compensation of commissioners.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1986 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 99-514 effective Oct. 22, 1986, except as otherwise provided, see section 1556(c) of Pub. L. 99-514, set out as an Effective Date note under section 7443A of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-369 effective July 18, 1984, see section 464(e)(1) of Pub. L. 98-369, set out as a note under section 7456 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1976 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 94-455 effective on first day of first month which begins more than 90 days after Oct. 4, 1976, see section 1906(d)(1) of Pub. L. 94-455, set out as a note under section 6013 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1969 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 91-172 effective Dec. 30, 1969, see section 962(a) of Pub. L. 91-172, set out as a note under section 7441 of this title.

§ 7472. Expenditures

The Tax Court is authorized to make such expenditures (including expenditures for personal