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Section 602(a). The income tax laws in force in the United States and those which may hereafter be enacted shall be likewise in force in the Northern Mariana Islands as a separate territorial income tax, to be payable to the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands and to be known as the "Northern Mariana Islands Territorial Income Tax."

- (b) As used in subsection (a) of this Section the term "income tax laws in force in the United States" includes but is not limited to the following provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, where not manifestly inapplicable or incompatible with the intent of this Section: subtitle A (not including chapter 2 and section 931); chapters 24 and 25 of subtitle C, with reference to the collection of income tax at source on wages; and all provisions of subtitle F which apply to the income tax, including provisions as to crimes, other offenses, and forfeitures contained in chapter 75.
- (c) In applying the Northern Mariana Islands

  Territorial Income Tax pursuant to Subsection (a) of this

  Section, except where it is manifestly otherwise required,

  the applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code

  of 1954 shall be read so as to substitute "The Northern

  Mariana Islands" for "the United States," "Governor or

  his delegate" for "Commissioner of Internal Revenue" and

"Collector of Internal Revenue," "District Court of the Northern Mariana Islands" for "District Court," with other changes in nomenclature and other language, including the omission of inapplicable language, where necessary to effect the intent of this Section.

- (d) The administration and enforcement of the Northern Mariana Islands Territorial Income Tax shall be performed by or under the supervision of the popularly-elected governor of the Northern Mariana Islands. The governor or his delegate shall have the same administrative and enforcement powers and remedies with regard to the Northern Mariana Islands Territorial Income Tax as the Secretary of the Treasury, and other United States officials of the Executive Branch, have with respect to the United States income tax.
- (e) The legislature of the Northern Mariana
  Islands shall have the power by law to amend, alter, modify
  or repeal the Northern Mariana Islands Territorial Income
  Tax.