

CHAPTER 59  
DETERMINATION OF NET INCOME  
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**701—59.1(422) Computation of net income for financial institutions.** “Net income” for state purposes shall mean federal taxable income, before deduction for net operating losses, as properly computed under the Internal Revenue Code, and shall include the adjustments in rules 59.2(422) to 59.13(422). The remaining provisions of this rule and rules 59.14(422) to 59.24(422) shall also be applicable in determining net income.

In the case of a financial institution which is a member of an affiliated group of corporations filing a consolidated income tax return for the taxable year for federal income tax purposes, but files a separate return for state purposes, taxable income as properly computed for federal purposes is determined as if the financial institution had filed a separate return for federal income tax purposes for the taxable year and each preceding taxable year for which it was a member of an affiliated group. For purposes of this paragraph, the taxpayer’s separate taxable income shall be determined as if the election provided by Section 243(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code had been in effect for all those years.

When a federal short period return is filed and the federal taxable income is required to be adjusted to an annual basis, the Iowa taxable income shall also be adjusted to an annual basis. The tax liability for a short period is computed by multiplying the taxable income for the short period by 12 and dividing the result by the number of months in the short period. The tax is determined on the resulting total as if it were the taxable income, and the tax computed is divided by 12 and multiplied by the number of months in the short period. This adjustment shall apply only to income attributable to business carried on within the state of Iowa.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.35.

**701—59.2(422) Net operating loss carrybacks and carryovers.** Net operating losses shall be allowed or allowable for Iowa franchise tax purposes to the same extent they are allowed or allowable for federal corporation income tax purposes, provided the following adjustments are made:

**59.2(1) Additions to income.**

*a.* Refunds of federal income taxes due to net operating loss, capital loss and investment credit or other credit carrybacks shall not be added for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1980.

*b.* Iowa franchise tax deducted on the federal return for the loss year shall be reflected as an addition to income in the year of the loss.

*c.* Interest and dividends received in the year of the loss on federally tax-exempt securities shall be reflected as additions to income in the year of the loss.

**59.2(2) Reductions of income.** Iowa franchise tax refunds reported as income for federal income tax purposes in the loss year shall be reflected as reductions of income in the year of the loss.

**59.2(3)** If a financial institution does business both within and without Iowa, it shall make adjustments reflecting the apportionment and allocation of its operating loss on the basis of business done within and without the state of Iowa after completing the provisions of subrules 59.2(1) and 59.2(2).

*a.* After making the adjustments to federal taxable income as provided in subrules 59.2(1) and 59.2(2), the total net allocable income or loss shall be added to or deducted from, as the case may be, the net federal income or loss as adjusted for Iowa tax purposes. The resulting income or loss so determined shall be subject to apportionment as provided in rules 701—59.25(422) to 701—59.29(422). The apportioned income or loss shall be added or deducted, as the case may be, to the amount of net allocable income or loss properly attributable to Iowa. This amount is the taxable income or net operating loss attributable to Iowa for that year.

*b.* The net operating loss attributable to Iowa, as determined in rule 701—59.2(422), shall be subject to a 3-year carryback and a 15-year carryover provision. This loss shall be carried back or over to the applicable year as a reduction or part of a reduction of the net income attributable to Iowa for that year. However, an Iowa net operating loss shall not be carried back to a year in which the taxpayer was

not doing business in Iowa. If the election under Section 172(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code is made, the Iowa net operating loss shall be carried forward 15 taxable years. A copy of the federal election made under Section 172(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code must be attached to the Iowa corporation income tax return filed with the department.

c. For tax years beginning after August 5, 1997, a net operating loss attributable to Iowa, as determined in rule 701—59.2(422), incurred in a presidentially declared disaster area by a corporation engaged in a small business or in the trade or business of farming must be carried back 3 taxable years and carried forward 20 taxable years. All other net operating losses attributable to Iowa must be carried back 2 taxable years and carried forward 20 taxable years. This loss shall be carried back or over to the applicable year as a reduction or part of a reduction of the net income attributable to Iowa for that year. However, an Iowa net operating loss shall not be carried back to a year in which the taxpayer was not doing business in Iowa. If the election under Section 172(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code is made, the Iowa net operating loss shall be carried forward 20 taxable years. A copy of the federal election made under Section 172(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code must be attached to the Iowa franchise tax return filed with the department.

**59.2(4)** No part of a net loss for a year for which the financial institution was not subject to the imposition of Iowa franchise tax shall be included in the Iowa net operating loss deduction applicable to any year prior to or subsequent to the year of the loss.

**59.2(5)** No part of a net operating loss may be carried back or carried forward if the carryback or carryforward would be disallowed for federal income tax purposes under Sections 172(b)(1)(E) and 172(h) of the Internal Revenue Code. This provision is effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1989.

**59.2(6)** The carryover of Iowa net operating losses after reorganizations or mergers is limited to the same extent as the carryover of a net operating loss is limited under the provisions of Sections 381 through 386 of the Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder or any other section of the Internal Revenue Code or regulations thereunder. Where the taxpayer files as a member of a consolidated income tax return for federal income tax purposes, but is required to file a separate franchise tax return, the limitation on an Iowa net operating loss carryover must be determined as though a separate income tax return was filed for federal income tax purposes.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.35 as amended by 1998 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2357, 422.61, and 422.63.

**701—59.3(422) Capital loss carryback.** Capital losses shall be allowed or allowable for Iowa franchise tax purposes to the same extent they are allowed or allowable for federal corporation income tax purposes. Capital loss carrybacks shall be treated as an adjustment to federal taxable income to arrive at net income. For capital losses occurring in tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1980, refunds of federal corporation income taxes shall not be an adjustment in computing income subject to the franchise tax.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.35 and 422.61.

**701—59.4(422) Net operating and capital loss carrybacks and carryovers.** If the taxpayer has both a net operating loss and a capital loss carryback to a prior tax year, the capital loss shall be carried back first and then the net operating loss offset against any remaining income.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.35 and 422.61.

**701—59.5(422) Interest and dividends from federal securities.** For franchise tax purposes, dividends received from corporations owned or sponsored by the federal government, or interest derived from obligations of the United States and its possessions, agencies and instrumentalities become a part of the taxable income. Examples of these types of obligations are bonds issued by the governments of Puerto Rico, Washington D.C., Guam and the Virgin Islands. Notwithstanding the above, only interest received after July 1, 1991, from bonds purchased after January 1, 1991, issued by the governments of Puerto Rico, Guam and the Virgin Islands is subject to tax.

Gains or losses from the sale or other disposition of any bonds shall be taxable for state franchise tax purposes.

Interest received on federal tax refunds is taxable for Iowa franchise tax purposes.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.61.

**701—59.6(422) Interest and dividends from foreign securities and securities of states and other political subdivisions.** Interest and dividends from foreign securities and securities of states and their political subdivisions including Iowa shall be included in taxable income for periods beginning on or after January 1, 1980. For tax periods beginning on or after January 1, 1987, subtract interest expense allocable to interest exempt from federal income tax which was disallowed as a deduction under Internal Revenue Code Section 265(b) or 291(e)(1)(B).

For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1987, add dividends received from regulated investment companies exempt from federal income tax under Section 852(b)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code and subtract the loss on the sale or exchange of a share of a regulated investment company held for six months or less to the extent the loss was disallowed under Section 852(b)(4)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code.

For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2001, add, to the extent not already included, income from the sale of obligations of the state of Iowa and its political subdivisions and interest and dividend income from these obligations. Gains or losses from the sale or other disposition of bonds issued by the state of Iowa or its political subdivisions, along with interest and dividend income from these bonds, shall be included in Iowa taxable income unless the law authorizing these obligations specifically exempts the income from the sale and interest and dividend income from Iowa franchise tax.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.35 and 422.61 as amended by 2001 Iowa Acts, House File 715.

**701—59.7(422) Safe harbor leases.** For tax years ending after January 1, 1981, deductions in determining federal taxable income for sale-leaseback agreements taken as a result of the application of Section 168(f)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be added in determining Iowa taxable income to the extent such deductions cannot be taken under provisions of Sections 162, 163 and 167 of the Internal Revenue Code. The lessor shall add depreciation and interest expense, and the lessee shall add rental expense. When the deduction for depreciation is not allowed under a previous provision of this rule, the lessee shall be allowed a deduction for depreciation on any property involved in a sale-leaseback agreement. The depreciation shall be computed in accordance with Section 168(a) of the Internal Revenue Code. Income received as a result of sale-leaseback agreement shall be deducted in determining Iowa taxable income. The lessee shall deduct interest income and the lessor shall deduct rent income. Each lessor and lessee corporation shall include a copy of federal Form 6793 in its Iowa franchise tax return for the year in which a safe harbor lease is entered into.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.35 and 422.61.

**701—59.8(422) Additional deduction for wages paid or accrued for work done in Iowa by certain individuals.** For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1984, a taxpayer which is considered to be a small business corporation, as defined by subrule 59.8(2), is allowed a deduction for 50 percent of the first 12 months of wages paid or accrued during the tax years for work done in Iowa for employees first hired on or after January 1, 1984.

A handicapped individual domiciled in this state at the time of hiring.

An individual domiciled in this state at the time of hiring who meets any of the following conditions:

1. Has been convicted of a felony in this or any other state or the District of Columbia.
2. Is on parole pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 906.
3. Is on probation pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 907 for an offense other than a simple misdemeanor.
4. Is in a work release program pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 904, division IX.

An individual, whether or not domiciled in this state at the time of the hiring, who is on parole or probation and to whom the interstate probation and parole compact under Iowa Code section 907A.1 applies.

For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1989, a taxpayer which is considered to be a small business corporation, as defined by 701—subrule 53.11(2), is allowed a deduction for 65 percent not to exceed \$20,000 of the 12 months of wages paid or accrued during the tax year for work done in Iowa for employees first hired after January 1, 1989, who meet the above criteria.

**59.8(1)** The additional deduction shall not be allowed for wages paid to an individual who was hired to replace an individual whose employment was terminated within the 12-month period preceding the date of first employment. However, if the individual being replaced left employment voluntarily without good cause attributable to the employer or if the individual was discharged for misconduct in connection with the individual's employment as determined by the division of job service of the department of employment services, the additional deduction shall be allowed.

The determination of whether an individual left employment voluntarily without good cause attributable to the employer or if the individual was discharged for misconduct is a factual determination which must be made on a case-by-case basis.

**59.8(2)** The term “small business corporation” includes the operation of a farm but does not include the practice of a profession. The following conditions apply for the purpose of determining what constitutes a small business corporation.

*a.* A small business corporation shall not have had more than 20 full-time equivalent positions during each of the 26 consecutive weeks within the 52-week period immediately preceding the date on which the individual for whom an additional deduction for wages is taken was hired. “Full-time equivalent position” means any of the following:

1. An employment position requiring an average work week of 40 or more hours;
2. An employment position for which compensation is paid on a salaried full-time basis without regard to hours worked; or
3. An aggregation of any number of part-time positions which equal one full-time position. For purposes of this subrule each part-time position shall be categorized with regard to the average number of hours worked each week as a one-quarter, half, three-quarter, or full-time position, as set forth in the following table:

<u>Average Number of Weekly Hours</u>	<u>Category</u>
More than 0 but less than 15	¼
15 or more but less than 25	½
25 or more but less than 35	¾
35 or more	1 (full-time)

*b.* A small business corporation shall not have more than \$1 million in annual gross revenues or after July 1, 1984, \$3 million in annual gross revenues or as the average of the three preceding tax years. “Annual gross revenues” means total interest received from loans and investments, service charges, management fees, fiduciary fees, commissions, and gross proceeds from the sale of securities held as investments as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

*c.* A small business corporation shall not be an affiliate or subsidiary of a business which is dominant in its field of operation. “Dominant in its field of operation” means having more than 20 full-time equivalent employees and more than \$1 million of annual gross revenues, or after July 1, 1984, \$3 million of annual gross revenues or as the average of the three preceding tax years. “Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operations” means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation.

*d.* “Operation of a farm” means the cultivation of land for the production of agricultural crops, the raising of poultry, the production of eggs, the production of milk, the production of fruit or other horticultural crops, grazing or the production of livestock. Operation of a farm shall not include the

production of timber, forest products, nursery products, or sod and operation of a farm shall not include a contract where a processor or distributor of farm products or supplies provides spraying, harvesting or other farm services.

e. "The practice of a profession" means a vocation requiring specialized knowledge and preparation including but not limited to the following: medicine and surgery, podiatry, osteopathy, osteopathic medicine and surgery, psychology, psychiatry, chiropractic, nursing, dentistry, dental hygiene, optometry, speech pathology, audiology, pharmacy, physical therapy, occupational therapy, mortuary science, law, architecture, engineering and surveying, and accounting.

**59.8(3) Definitions.**

a. The term "*handicapped person*" means any person who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities, has a record of such impairment, or is regarded as having such an impairment.

The term "*handicapped*" does not include any person who is an alcoholic or drug abuser whose current use of alcohol or drugs prevents the person from performing the duties of employment or whose employment, by reason of current use of alcohol or drugs, would constitute a direct threat to the property or the safety of others.

b. The term "*physical or mental impairment*" means any physiological disorder or condition, cosmetic disfigurement, or anatomical loss affecting one or more of the following body systems: neurological; musculoskeletal; special sense organs; respiratory, including speech organs; cardiovascular; reproductive; digestive; genitourinary; hemic and lymphatic; skin and endocrine; or any mental or psychological disorder, such as mental retardation, organic brain syndrome, emotional or mental illness, and specific learning disabilities.

c. The term "*major life activities*" means functions such as caring for one's self, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working.

d. The term "*has a record of such impairment*" means has a history of, or has been misclassified as having, a mental or physical impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.

e. The term "*is regarded as having such an impairment*" means:

1. Has a physical or mental impairment that does not substantially limit major life activities but that is perceived as constituting such a limitation;

2. Has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits major life activities only as a result of the attitudes of others toward such impairment; or

3. Has none of the impairments defined as physical or mental impairments, but is perceived as having such an impairment.

f. The term "*successfully completing a probationary period*" includes those instances where the employee quits without good cause attributable to the employer during the probationary period or was discharged for misconduct during the probationary period.

g. The term "*probationary period*" means the period of probation for newly hired employees, if the employer has a written probationary policy. If the employer has no written probationary policy for newly hired employees, the probationary period shall be considered to be six months from the date of hire.

**59.8(4)** If a newly hired employee has been certified as either a vocational rehabilitation referral or an economically disadvantaged ex-convict for purposes of qualification for the targeted jobs tax credit under Section 59 of the Internal Revenue Code, that employee shall be considered to have met the qualifications for the additional wage deduction.

A "vocational rehabilitation referral" is any individual certified by a state employment agency as having a physical or mental disability which, for the individual, constitutes or results in a substantial handicap to employment. In addition, the individual must have been referred to the employer after completion or while receiving rehabilitation services pursuant to either a state- or federal-approved vocational rehabilitation program.

For all other newly hired employees, the employer has the burden of proof to show that the employees meet the qualifications for the additional wage deduction.

**59.8(5)** The taxpayer shall include a schedule with the filing of the taxpayer's tax return showing the name, address, social security number, date of hiring and wages paid of each employee for whom the taxpayer claims the additional deduction for wages.

**59.8(6)** If the employee for whom an additional deduction for wages was allowed fails to successfully complete a probationary period and the taxpayer has already filed an Iowa corporation income tax return taking the additional deduction for wages, the taxpayer shall file an amended return adding back the additional deduction for wages. The amended return shall state the name and social security number of the employee who failed to successfully complete a probationary period.

**59.8(7)** For tax years ending after July 1, 1990, a taxpayer who did not qualify for the additional deduction for wages paid or accrued for work done in Iowa by certain individuals set forth above is allowed an additional deduction of 65 percent not to exceed \$20,000 of the first 12 months of wages paid or accrued for work done in Iowa for employees first hired on or after July 1, 1990, if the new employee is:

*a.* An individual domiciled in this state at the time of the hiring who meets any of the following conditions:

- (1) Has been convicted of a felony in this or any other state or the District of Columbia.
- (2) Is on parole pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 906.
- (3) Is on probation pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 907, for an offense other than a simple misdemeanor.
- (4) Is in a work release program pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 904, division IX.

*b.* An individual, whether or not domiciled in this state at the time of the hiring, who is on parole or probation and to whom the interstate probation and parole compact under Iowa Code section 907A.1 applies.

The additional deduction is not allowed for wages paid to an individual who was hired to replace an individual whose employment was terminated within the 12-month period preceding the date of first employment. However, if the individual being replaced left employment voluntarily without good cause attributable to the employer or if the individual was discharged for misconduct in connection with the individual's employment as determined by the Iowa division of job service of the department of employment services, the additional deduction is allowed.

The taxpayer must include a schedule with the filing of the taxpayer's tax return showing the name, address, social security number, date of hiring, and wages paid of each employee for whom the taxpayer claims the additional deduction for wages.

The determination of whether an individual left employment voluntarily without good cause attributable to the employer or if the individual was discharged for misconduct is a factual determination which must be made on a case-by-case basis.

If the employee for which an additional deduction for wages was allowed fails to successfully complete a probationary period and the taxpayer has already filed an Iowa franchise tax return taking the additional deduction for wages, the taxpayer must file an amended return adding back the additional deduction for wages. The amended return must state the name and social security number of the employee who failed to successfully complete a probationary period.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 16.1(36), 422.35 and 422.61.

**701—59.9(422) Work opportunity tax credit.** Where a financial institution claims the federal work opportunity tax credit as provided in Section 51 of the Internal Revenue Code, the amount of credit allowable shall be a deduction from Iowa taxable income to the extent the credit increased federal taxable income.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.35 and 422.61.

**701—59.10(422) Work incentive program credit.** Rescinded IAB 3/15/95, effective 4/19/95.

**701—59.11(422) Gains and losses on property acquired before January 1, 1934.** Where property was acquired prior to January 1, 1934, the basis as of January 1, 1934, for determining capital or other

gains or losses is the higher of cost, adjusted for depreciation allowed or allowable to January 1, 1934, or fair market value as of that date. *City National Bank of Clinton v. Iowa State Tax Commission*, 251 Iowa 603, 102 N.W.2d 381 (1960).

If as a result of this provision a basis is to be used for purposes of Iowa franchise tax which is different from the basis used for purposes of federal income tax, an appropriate adjustment must be made and detailed schedules supplied in the computation of Iowa income subject to franchise tax.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.35 and 422.61.

**701—59.12(422) Federal income tax deduction.** For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1980, a deduction for 50 percent of federal income taxes paid or accrued is not allowed. Cash-basis taxpayers are not allowed a deduction for 50 percent of federal income taxes paid during a tax year beginning on or after January 1, 1980, which represent the preceding year's tax or additional taxes for prior years. Fifty percent of a federal income tax refund received during a tax year beginning on or after January 1, 1980, shall not be reported as income. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1990, because the federal environmental tax is deducted in computing federal taxable income and Iowa Code section 422.61(3) "a" does not allow the deduction of federal income taxes, the federal environmental tax must be added to federal taxable income.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.35 and 422.61.

**701—59.13(422) Iowa franchise taxes.** Iowa franchise taxes paid or accrued during the tax year as may be applicable under the method of filing are permissible deductions for federal corporation income tax purposes, but not for purposes of determining Iowa net income. To the extent taxes were deducted in the determination of federal taxable income, they shall be added to federal taxable income for Iowa franchise tax purposes. Refunds of Iowa franchise tax to the extent that the returns are included in the determination of federal taxable income shall all be subtracted from federal taxable income.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.61.

**701—59.14(422) Method of accounting, accounting period.** The return shall be computed on the same basis and for the same accounting period as the taxpayer's return for federal corporation income tax purposes. Permission to change accounting methods or accounting periods for franchise tax purposes is not required provided the taxpayer furnishes the department with a copy of the federal consent.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.35 and 422.61.

**701—59.15(422) Consolidated returns.** There is no provision in the Iowa franchise tax law to allow financial institutions to file consolidated Iowa franchise tax returns with another financial institution or another corporation as defined in Iowa Code section 422.32. In the absence of any statutory authority for allowing consolidated Iowa franchise tax returns, separate Iowa franchise tax returns must be filed.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 421.14 and 422.68(1).

**701—59.16(422) Federal rulings and regulations.** In determining whether "taxable income," "net operating loss deduction" or any other deductions are computed for federal tax purposes under, or have the same meaning as provided by, the Internal Revenue Code, the department will use applicable rulings and regulations that have been duly promulgated by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, unless the director has created rules and regulations or has exercised discretionary powers as prescribed by statute which call for an alternative method for determining "taxable income," "net operating loss deduction," or any other deductions, or unless the department finds that an applicable Internal Revenue ruling or regulation is unauthorized according to the Iowa Code.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.35 and 422.61.

**701—59.17(422) Disallowance of private club expenses.** Rescinded IAB 11/24/04, effective 12/29/04.

**701—59.18(422) Depreciation of speculative shell buildings.**

**59.18(1)** For tax years beginning on or after July 1, 1992, speculative shell buildings constructed or reconstructed after that date may be depreciated as 15-year property under the accelerated cost of recovery system of the Internal Revenue Code. If the taxpayer has deducted depreciation on the speculative shell building on the taxpayer's federal income tax return, that amount of depreciation must be added to federal taxable income in order to deduct depreciation under this rule.

**59.18(2)** On sale or other disposition of the speculative shell building, the taxpayer must report on the taxpayer's Iowa corporation income tax return the same gain or loss reported on the taxpayer's federal corporation income tax return. If, while owned by the taxpayer, the building is converted from a speculative shell building to another use, the taxpayer must deduct the same amount of depreciation on the taxpayer's Iowa tax return as is deducted on the taxpayer's federal tax return.

**59.18(3)** For the purposes of this rule, the term "speculative shell building" means a building as defined in Iowa Code section 427.1, subsection (27) "c."

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.35 and 422.63.

**701—59.19(422) Deduction of multipurpose vehicle registration fee.** For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1992, and before January 1, 2005, corporations may claim a deduction for 60 percent of the amount of the registration fee paid for a multipurpose vehicle under Iowa Code section 321.124, subsection 3, paragraph "h." In order to qualify for this deduction, no part of the multipurpose vehicle registration fee may have been deducted as an ordinary and necessary business expense.

For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2005, the deduction for Iowa franchise tax for multipurpose vehicle registration fees is the same as allowed under Section 164 of the Internal Revenue Code for federal tax purposes.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.35.

**701—59.20(422) Disallowance of expenses to carry an investment subsidiary for tax years which begin on or after January 1, 1995.** A financial institution which has an investment in an investment subsidiary on or after July 1, 1995, must allocate a portion of its total expenses used in computing its federal taxable income on a separate return basis to its investment subsidiary. The expenses which are allocable to the investment in an investment subsidiary are computed by multiplying the financial institution's total expenses used in computing its federal taxable income on a separate return basis by the ratio of the average adjusted basis in its investment subsidiary to the average adjusted basis for all assets of the financial institution. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1995, and before December 31, 1995, a financial institution which has an investment in an investment subsidiary on July 1, 1995, must allocate a portion of its total expenses for the entire tax year to its investment in an investment subsidiary even though it did not have an investment in an investment subsidiary for the entire tax year.

A calculation of the average for the tax year of the adjusted bases of a financial institution's investment in investment subsidiaries, and total assets, held each day of the tax year is the most accurate method for determining under Iowa Code subsection 422.61(3) the portion of a financial institution's total expenses that is allocable to the financial institution's investment in investment subsidiaries. However, the department will generally allow the average adjusted bases of an investment in investment subsidiaries for the tax year to be calculated using the average of the adjusted bases of the investment in investment subsidiaries held by the financial institution at the end of each month within the tax year. The department generally will allow the average bases of all assets of the financial institution for the tax year to be calculated using the average bases of all assets held by the financial institution at the end of each quarter of the tax year. A financial institution may compute for any tax year, without prior permission of the director, the average adjusted bases of investment in investment subsidiaries or total assets on a more frequent basis than set forth above. However, a financial institution may not compute these averages for any tax year on a less frequent basis than quarterly without obtaining prior approval of the director. This permission will be granted only in extraordinary circumstances. In addition, a financial institution may not compute these averages for any tax year on a less frequent basis than it used for the preceding tax year unless the financial institution obtains prior approval of the director. A



financial institution that has elected to use an estimate of the adjusted tax bases of its total assets for each of the first three quarters of the taxable year under Internal Revenue Service's Revenue Ruling 90-44 for federal income tax purposes may use this estimate for Iowa franchise purposes.

**59.20(1)** For the purposes of this rule, the term "affiliate" means a corporation, trust, estate, association, or similar organization:

*a.* Of which a financial institution, directly or indirectly, owns or controls either a majority of the voting shares or more than 50 percent of the number of shares voted for the election of its directors, trustees, or other individuals exercising similar functions at the preceding election, or controls in any manner the election of a majority of its directors, trustees, or other individuals exercising similar functions; or

*b.* Of which control is held, directly or indirectly, through share ownership or in any other manner, by the shareholders of a financial institution who own or control either a majority of the shares of such financial institution or more than 50 percent of the number of shares voted for election of directors of such financial institution at the preceding election, or by trustees for the benefit of the shareholders of such financial institution; or

*c.* Of which a majority of its directors, trustees, or other individuals exercising similar functions are directors of any financial institution; or

*d.* Which owns or controls, directly or indirectly, either a majority of the voting shares of a financial institution or more than 50 percent of the number of shares voted for the election of directors of a financial institution at the preceding election, or controls in any manner the election of a majority of the directors of a financial institution, or for the benefit of those shareholders or members all or substantially all of the outstanding voting shares of a financial institution is held by trustees; or

*e.* Which is a bank holding company, as defined by the laws of the United States, of which a financial institution is a subsidiary, and any other subsidiary as defined by the laws of the United States, of a bank holding company.

**59.20(2)** For the purposes of this rule, the term "average adjusted basis" means the financial institution's average adjusted basis as computed pursuant to Section 1016 of the Internal Revenue Code on a separate company basis.

**59.20(3)** For purposes of this rule, the term "investment subsidiary" means an affiliate that is owned, capitalized or utilized by a financial institution with one of its purposes being to make, hold, or manage, for and on behalf of the financial institution, investments in securities which the financial institution would be permitted by applicable law to make for its own account.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.61 as amended by 1995 Iowa Acts, chapter 193.

**701—59.21(422) S corporation and limited liability company financial institutions.** For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1997, a financial institution as defined in Section 581 of the Internal Revenue Code which has in effect an election under Subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code must compute an amount of income as if the financial institution were subject to federal corporation income tax. For tax years beginning on or after July 1, 2004, a financial institution organized as a limited liability company under Iowa Code chapter 524 that is taxed as a partnership for federal income tax purposes must compute an amount of income as if the financial institution were subject to federal corporation income tax. The income is to be computed in the same manner as a financial institution that is subject to or liable for federal income tax under the Internal Revenue Code in effect for the applicable tax would compute its federal taxable income.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.61 as amended by 2004 Iowa Acts, House File 2484.

**701—59.22(422) Deduction for contributions made to the endowment fund of the Iowa educational savings plan trust.** To the extent that the contribution was not deductible for federal income tax purposes, any gift, grant, or donation to the endowment fund of the Iowa educational savings plan trust may be deducted for Iowa franchise tax purposes. The contribution must be made on or after July 1,

1998, but before April 15, 2004. Effective April 15, 2004, the deduction for contributions made to the endowment fund is repealed.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.35 as amended by 1998 Iowa Acts, House File 2119, and 422.61.

**701—59.23(422) Additional first-year depreciation allowance.**

**59.23(1)** *Assets acquired after September 10, 2001, but before May 6, 2003.* For tax periods ending after September 10, 2001, but beginning before May 6, 2003, the additional first-year depreciation allowance (“bonus depreciation”) of 30 percent authorized in Section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code, as enacted by Public Law No. 107-147, Section 101, does not apply for Iowa franchise tax. Taxpayers who claim the bonus depreciation on their federal income tax return must add the total amount of depreciation claimed on assets acquired after September 10, 2001, but before May 6, 2003, and subtract the amount of depreciation taken on such property using the modified accelerated cost recovery system (MACRS) depreciation method applicable under Section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code without regard to Section 168(k).

If any such property was sold or disposed of during the tax year, the applicable depreciation catch-up adjustment must be made to adjust the basis of the property for Iowa tax purposes. The gain or loss reported on the sale or disposition of these assets for federal tax purposes must be adjusted for Iowa tax purposes to account for the adjusted basis of assets.

The adjustment for both depreciation and the gain or loss on the sale of qualifying assets acquired after September 10, 2001, but before May 6, 2003, can be calculated on Form IA 4562A.

See 701—subrule 53.22(1) for examples illustrating how this subrule is applied.

**59.23(2)** *Assets acquired after May 5, 2003, but before January 1, 2005.* For tax periods beginning after May 5, 2003, but beginning before January 1, 2005, the bonus depreciation of 50 percent authorized in Section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended by Public Law No. 108-27, Section 201, may be taken for Iowa franchise tax. If the taxpayer elects to take the 50 percent bonus depreciation, the depreciation deduction allowed on the Iowa franchise tax return is the same as the depreciation deduction allowed on the federal income tax return for assets acquired after May 5, 2003, but before January 1, 2005.

*a.* If the taxpayer elects to take the 50 percent bonus depreciation and had filed an Iowa return prior to February 24, 2005, which reflected the disallowance of 50 percent bonus depreciation, the taxpayer may choose between two options to reflect this change. Taxpayer may either file an amended return for the applicable tax year to reflect the 50 percent bonus depreciation provision, or taxpayer may reflect the change for 50 percent bonus depreciation on the next Iowa return filed subsequent to February 23, 2005. Taxpayer must choose only one of these two options. Regardless of the option chosen, taxpayer must complete and attach a revised Form IA 4562A to either the amended return or the return filed subsequent to February 23, 2005.

See 701—subrule 40.60(2), paragraph “a,” for examples illustrating how this subrule is applied.

*b.* If the taxpayer elects not to take the 50 percent bonus depreciation, taxpayer must add the total amount of depreciation claimed on assets acquired after May 5, 2003, but before January 1, 2005, and subtract the amount of depreciation taken on such property using the modified accelerated cost recovery system (MACRS) depreciation method applicable under Section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code without regard to Section 168(k). If any such property was sold or disposed of during the tax year, the applicable depreciation catch-up adjustment must be made to adjust the basis of the property for Iowa tax purposes. The gain or loss reported on the sale or disposition of these assets for federal tax purposes must be adjusted for Iowa tax purposes to account for the adjusted basis of assets. The adjustment for both depreciation and the gain or loss on the sale of qualifying assets acquired after May 5, 2003, but before January 1, 2005, can be calculated on Form IA 4562A.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.35 as amended by 2005 Iowa Acts, House File 102, and section 422.61.

**701—59.24(422) Section 179 expensing.** For tax periods beginning on or after January 1, 2003, but beginning before January 1, 2006, the increase in the expensing allowance for qualifying property authorized in Section 179(b) of the Internal Revenue Code, as enacted by Public Law No. 108-27, Section 202, may be taken for Iowa franchise tax. If the taxpayer elects to take the increased Section 179 expensing, the Section 179 expensing allowance on the Iowa franchise tax return is the same as the Section 179 expensing allowance on the federal income tax return for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2003, but beginning before January 1, 2006.

**59.24(1)** If the taxpayer elects to take the increased Section 179 expensing and had filed an Iowa return prior to February 24, 2005, which reflected the disallowance of increased Section 179 expensing, the taxpayer may choose between two options to reflect this change. Taxpayer may either file an amended return for the applicable tax year to reflect the increased Section 179 expensing, or taxpayer may reflect the change for increased Section 179 expensing on the next Iowa return filed subsequent to February 23, 2005. Taxpayer must choose only one of these two options. Regardless of the option chosen, taxpayer must complete and attach a revised Form IA 4562A to either the amended return or the return filed subsequent to February 23, 2005.

See 701—subrule 40.65(1) for examples illustrating how this subrule is applied.

**59.24(2)** If the taxpayer elects not to take the increased Section 179 expensing, the expensing allowance is limited to \$25,000 for Iowa tax purposes. The difference between the federal Section 179 expensing allowance on such property, if in excess of \$25,000, and the Iowa expensing allowance of \$25,000 can be depreciated using the modified accelerated cost recovery system (MACRS) applicable under Section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code without regard to the bonus depreciation provision in Section 168(k).

If any such property was sold or disposed of during the tax year, the applicable Section 179 and related depreciation catch-up adjustment must be made to adjust the basis of the property for Iowa tax purposes. The gain or loss reported on the sale or disposition of these assets for federal tax purposes must be adjusted for Iowa tax purposes to account for the adjusted basis of assets.

The adjustment for both the Section 179 expensing allowance and related depreciation, along with the gain or loss on the sale of qualifying assets for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2003, but beginning before January 1, 2006, can be calculated on Form IA 4562A.

See 701—subrule 53.23(2) for examples illustrating how this subrule is applied.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.35 as amended by 2005 Iowa Acts, House File 102, and section 422.61.

#### ALLOCATION AND APPORTIONMENT

**701—59.25(422) Basis of franchise tax.** Iowa Code section 422.60 imposes a franchise tax on financial institutions (as defined in 701—subrule 57.1(2)) for the privilege of doing business within the state. The tax is measured by net income. For financial institutions subject to the tax, the tax is levied and collected only on income which may accrue or be recognized to the financial institutions from business done or carried on in the state plus net income from certain sources without the state which by rule follows the commercial domicile of the financial institution.

If a financial institution carries on business entirely within the state of Iowa, no allocation or apportionment of its income may be made. The financial institution will be presumed to be carrying on its business entirely within the state of Iowa if its activities are carried on only within Iowa, even though it receives income from sources outside the state in the form of interest, dividends, royalties, and other sources of income from intangibles.

**59.25(1) Definition—doing business.** The term “doing business” is used in a comprehensive sense and includes all activities or any transactions for the purpose of financial or pecuniary gain or profit. Irrespective of the nature of its activities, every financial institution organized for profit and carrying out any of the purposes of its organization shall be deemed to be “doing business.” In determining whether a financial institution is doing business, it is immaterial whether its activities actually result in a profit or loss.

**59.25(2) Definition—carrying on business partly within and partly without the state.** “Carrying on business partly within and partly without the state” means having business activities in at least one other state sufficient to meet the minimum constitutional standards for doing business in a state under the due process and commerce clauses of the United States Constitution. The determination of whether a financial institution is carrying on business partly within and partly without the state must be made on a tax-year-by-tax-year basis. The activities of past or future years have no bearing on the current year.

The following nonexclusive activities if done on a regular and continuing basis by financial institution officers or employees in at least one other state would constitute the minimum activities which would meet the constitutional standards for doing business in a state under the due process and commerce clauses of the United States Constitution:

- a. Solicitation of loans by traveling loan officers.
- b. Collection of overdue accounts.
- c. Any other activities carried on in advancement, promotion, or fulfillment of the business of the financial institution.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 422.60 and 422.63.

#### **701—59.26(422) Allocation and apportionment.**

**59.26(1)** The classification of income by the labels customarily given, such as interest, dividends, rents, and royalties, is of no aid in determining whether that income is business or nonbusiness income. Interest, dividends, rents and royalties shall be apportioned as business income to the extent the income was earned as a part of a financial institution’s unitary business, a portion of which is conducted in Iowa. *Mobil Oil Corp. v. Commissioner of Taxes*, 455 U.S. 425 (1980); *ASARCO, Inc. v. Idaho State Tax Commission*, 458 U.S. 307, 73 L.Ed.2d 787, 102 S.Ct. 3103 (1982); *F. W. Woolworth Co. v. Taxation and Revenue Dept.*, 458 U.S. 354, 73 L.Ed.2d 819, 102 S.Ct. 3128 (1982); *Container Corporation of America v. Franchise Tax Board*, 463 U.S. 159, 77 L.Ed.2d 545, 103 S.Ct. 2933 (1983). Whether income is part of a financial institution’s unitary business income depends upon the facts and circumstances in the particular situation. The burden of proof is upon the taxpayer to show that the treatment of income on the return as filed is proper. There is a rebuttable presumption that an affiliated group of financial institutions in the same line of business have a unitary relationship, although that is not the only element used in determining unitariness.

**59.26(2)** Application of related expense to nonbusiness income. Subrule 59.26(1) deals with the separation of “net” income, therefore, determination and application of related expenses must be made, as hereinafter directed, before allocation and apportionment within and without Iowa. Related expenses shall mean those expenses directly related.

A directly related expense shall mean an expense which can be specifically attributed to an item of income. Interest expense shall be considered directly related to a specific property which generates, has generated, or could reasonably have been expected to generate gross income if the existence of all of the facts and circumstances described below is established. Such facts and circumstances are as follows:

- a. The indebtedness on which the interest was paid was specifically incurred for the purpose of purchasing, maintaining, or improving the specific property;
- b. The proceeds of the borrowing were actually applied to the specified purpose;
- c. The creditor can look only to the specific property (or any lease or other interest therein) as security for the loan;
- d. It may be reasonably assumed that the return on or from the property will be sufficient to fulfill the terms and conditions of the loan agreement with respect to the amount and timing of payment of principal and interest; and
- e. There are restrictions in the loan agreement on the disposal or use of the property consistent with the assumptions described in “c” and “d” above.

A deduction for interest may not be considered definitely related solely to specific property, even though the above facts and circumstances are present in form, if any of the facts and circumstances are not present in substance. Any expense directly attributable to allocable interest, dividends, rents and royalties shall be deducted from income to arrive at net allocable income.

EXAMPLE: For purposes of this example, it is assumed that the taxpayer has nonbusiness rental income. The taxpayer invests in a 20-story office building. Under the terms of the lease agreements, the taxpayer provides heat, electricity, janitorial services, and maintenance. The taxpayer also pays the property taxes. Construction of the building was funded through borrowings which meet the criteria of a direct expense under the provisions of this paragraph. The directly related expenses to the operation of the property are:

Interest expense	\$1,200,000
Property taxes	500,000
Depreciation	500,000
Electricity	300,000
Heat	200,000
Insurance	150,000
Janitorial services	100,000
Repairs	50,000
Total expenses	<u>\$3,000,000</u>

The directly related expense of the allocable rental income is \$3,000,000.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.63.

**701—59.27(422) Net gains and losses from the sale of assets.** For purposes of administration of this rule, a capital gain or loss shall mean the sale price or value at the time of disposal of an asset less the adjusted basis, whether reportable as short-term or long-term capital gain or ordinary income for federal income tax purposes.

**59.27(1)** Gain or loss from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of real or tangible or intangible personal property, if the property while owned by the taxpayer was used in the taxpayer's trade or business, shall be apportioned by the business activity ratio applicable to the year the gain or loss is reported on the federal income tax return and may at the taxpayer's election be included in the computation of the business activity ratio as follows:

*a.* Gain from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of real property shall be included in the numerator if the property is located in this state.

*b.* Gain from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of tangible personal property shall be included in the numerator if:

(1) The property has a situs in this state at the time of sale; or

(2) The taxpayer's commercial domicile is in this state and the taxpayer is not taxable in the state in which the property had a situs.

*c.* Gains from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of intangible personal property shall be included in the numerator if the taxpayer's commercial domicile is in this state.

*d.* All gains shall be included in the denominator of the activity ratio.

A taxpayer cannot elect to exclude or include gains or loss from the sale of assets where the election would result in an understatement of income reasonably attributable to Iowa. Noninclusive examples of gains or loss from the sale, exchange or other disposition of real or tangible or intangible property which may not be included in the computation of the business activity ratio because to do so would result in an understatement of net income reasonably attributable to Iowa are the gain recognized under an election pursuant to Section 338 of the Internal Revenue Code or gain recognized under Section 631(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.

**59.27(2)** Gain or loss from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of property not used in the taxpayer's trade or business shall be allocated as follows:

*a.* Gains or losses from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of real property located in this state are allocable to this state.

*b.* Gains or losses from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of tangible personal property are allocable to this state if:

- (1) The property has a situs in this state at the time of sale; or
- (2) The taxpayer's commercial domicile is in this state and the taxpayer is not taxable in the state in which the property had a situs.

*c.* Gains or losses from the sale, exchange, or other disposition of intangible personal property are allocable to this state if the taxpayer's commercial domicile is in this state.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.63.

**701—59.28(422) Apportionment factor.** In determining the total net taxable income, the apportionable income attributable to this state, as determined by use of the apportionment fraction, shall be added to the nonapportionable income allocable to this state.

**59.28(1)** Receipts derived from transactions and activities in the regular course of trade or business which produce business income are included in the denominator of the apportionment factor. Income which is not subject to the Iowa franchise tax shall not be included in the computation of the apportionment factor.

**59.28(2)** The numerator of the apportionment factor is that portion of the total receipts included in the denominator of the taxpayer attributable to this state during the income year determined as follows:

*a.* Receipts from the lease, rental, or other use of real property shall be included in the numerator if the real property is located in Iowa.

*b.* Receipts from the sale of tangible personal property shall be included in the numerator if the property is delivered or shipped to a purchaser in this state regardless of the f.o.b. point or other conditions of the sales.

*c.* Receipts from the use of tangible personal property shall be included in the numerator of the business activity formula to the extent that property is utilized in Iowa. The extent of utilization of tangible personal property in a state is determined by multiplying the rent by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days of physical location of the property in the state during the rental period in the taxable year and the denominator of which is the number of days of physical location of the property everywhere during all rental periods in the taxable year. If the physical location of the property during the rental period is unknown or not ascertainable by the taxpayer, tangible personal property is utilized in the state in which the property was located at the time the rental payer obtained possession.

*d.* All royalty income from intangible personal property determined to be business income shall be included in the numerator of the business activity formula if the taxpayer's commercial domicile is in Iowa. All royalty income from tangible personal property or real property determined to be business income shall be included in the numerator of the business activity formula if the situs of the tangible personal property or real property is within Iowa.

*e.* Interest and other receipts from assets in the nature of loans (including federal funds sold and banker's acceptances) and installment obligations shall be attributed to the state where the borrower is located.

*f.* Interest income from a participating bank's portion of participation loan shall be attributed to the state where the borrower is located.

*g.* Interest income from loans solicited by traveling loan officers shall be attributed to the state where the borrower is located.

*h.* Interest or service charges from bank, travel, and entertainment credit card receivables and credit card holders' fees shall be attributed to the state in which the credit card holder resides in the case of an individual or, if a corporation, to the state of the corporation's commercial domicile.

*i.* Merchant discount income derived from bank and financial corporation credit card holder transactions with a merchant shall be attributed to the state in which the merchant is located. It shall be presumed that the location of the merchant is the address on the invoice submitted by the merchant to the taxpayer.

*j.* Receipts for the performance of fiduciary services are attributable to the state where the services are principally performed.

*k.* Receipts from investments of a bank in securities, the income from which constitutes business income, shall be attributed to its commercial domicile except that:

(1) Receipts from securities used to maintain reserves against deposits to meet federal and state reserve deposit requirements shall be attributed to each state based upon the ratio that total deposits in the state bear to total deposits everywhere.

(2) Receipts from securities owned by a bank but held by a state treasurer or other public official or pledged to secure public or trust funds deposited in the bank shall be attributed to the banking office at which the secured deposit is maintained.

*l.* Receipts (fees or charges) from the issuance of traveler's checks and money orders shall be attributed to the state where the taxpayer's office is located that issued the traveler's checks. If the traveler's checks are issued by an independent representative or agent of the taxpayer, the fees or charges shall be attributed to the state where the independent representative or agent issued the traveler's checks.

*m.* Fees, commissions, or other compensation for financial services rendered for a customer located in this state or an account maintained within this state.

*n.* Any other gross receipts resulting from the operation as a financial organization within the state to the extent the items do not represent a recapture of an expense.

*o.* Receipts from management services if the recipient of the management services is located in this state.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.63.

**701—59.29(422) Allocation and apportionment of income in special cases.** If a taxpayer feels that the allocation and apportionment method as prescribed by rule 701—59.28(422) in the taxpayer's case results in an injustice, the taxpayer may petition the department for permission to determine the taxable net income, both allocable and apportionable, to the state on some other basis.

The taxpayer must first file the return as prescribed by rule 701—59.28(422) and pay the tax shown due thereon. If a change to some other method is desired, a statement of objections and schedules detailing the alternative method shall be submitted to the department. The department shall require detail and proof within the time as the department may reasonably prescribe. In addition, the alternative method of allocation and apportionment will not be allowed where the taxpayer fails to produce, upon request of the department, any information the department deems necessary to analyze the request for an alternative method of allocation and apportionment. The petition must be in writing and shall set forth in detail the facts upon which the petition is based. The burden of proof will be on the taxpayer as to the validity of the method and its results. The mere fact that an alternative method of apportionment or allocation produces a lesser amount of income attributable to Iowa is, per se, insufficient proof that the statutory method of allocation and apportionment is invalid. *Moorman Manufacturing Company v. Bair*, 437 U.S. 267, 57 L.Ed.2d 197 (1978). In essence, a comparison of the statutory method of apportionment with another formulary apportionment method is insufficient to prove that the taxpayer would be entitled to the alternative formulary apportionment method. *Moorman Manufacturing Company v. Bair*, supra.

One of the possible alternative methods of allocation and apportionment is separate accounting provided the taxpayer's activities in Iowa are not unitary with the taxpayer's activities outside Iowa. Any corporation deriving income from business operations partly within and partly without Iowa must determine that net business income attributable to this state by the prescribed formula for apportioning net income, unless the taxpayer proved by clear and cogent evidence that the statutory formula apportions income to Iowa out of all reasonable proportion to the business transacted within Iowa. *Moorman Manufacturing Company v. Bair*, supra.

Separate accounting is not allowable for a unitary business where the separate accounting method fails to consider factors of profitability resulting from functional integration, centralization of management, and economics of scale. *Shell Oil Company v. Iowa Department of Revenue*, 414 N.W.2d 113 (Iowa 1987).

The burden of proof that the statutory method of apportionment attributes to Iowa income out of all reasonable proportion to the business transacted within Iowa is on the taxpayer. In order to utilize separate accounting, the taxpayer's books and records must be kept in a manner that accurately depicts

the exact geographical source of profits. In any petition to utilize separate accounting, the taxpayer must submit schedules which accurately depict net income by division or product line and the amount of income earned within Iowa.

There are alternative methods of separate accounting utilizing different accounting principles. A mere showing that one separate accounting method produces a result substantially different than the statutory method of apportionment is not sufficient to justify the granting of the separate accounting method shown. The taxpayer must not only show that the separate accounting method advocated by the taxpayer in comparison with the statutory method of apportionment produces a result which, if the statutory method of apportionment were used, would be out of all reasonable proportion to the business transacted within Iowa. The taxpayer must also show that all other conceivable reasonable separate accounting methods would show, when compared with the statutory method of apportionment, that the statutory method of apportionment substantially produces a distorted result.

As used in this rule, “statutory method of apportionment” means the apportionment factor set forth in rule 701—59.28(422).

All requests to use an alternative method of allocation and apportionment submitted to the department will be considered by the compliance division if the request is the result of an audit or by the taxpayer services and policy division if the request is received prior to audit. If the department concludes that the statutory method of allocation and apportionment is, in fact, both inapplicable and inequitable, the department shall prescribe a special method. The special method of allocation and apportionment prescribed by the department may be that requested by the taxpayer or some other method of allocation and apportionment which the department deems to equitably attribute income to business activities carried on within Iowa.

If the taxpayer disagrees with the determination of the department, the taxpayer may file a protest within 60 days of the date of the letter setting forth the department’s determination and the reasons therefor in accordance with rule 701—7.41(17A). The department’s determination letter shall set forth the taxpayer’s rights to protest the department’s determination.

If no protest is filed within the 60-day period, then no hearing will be granted on the department’s determination under this rule. However, this does not preclude the taxpayer from subsequently raising this question in the event that the taxpayer protests an assessment or denial of a timely refund claim, but this issue will only be dealt with for the years involved in the assessment or timely refund claim.

The use of an alternative method of allocation and apportionment would only be applicable to the years under consideration at the time the special method of allocation and apportionment is prescribed. The taxpayer’s continued use of a prescribed method of allocation and apportionment will be subject to review and change within the statutory, or legally extended period(s).

If there is a material change in the business operations or accounting procedures from those in existence at the time the taxpayer was permitted to determine the net income earned within Iowa by an alternative method of allocation and apportionment, the taxpayer shall apprise the department of such changes prior to filing the taxpayer’s return for the current year. After reviewing the information submitted, along with any other information the department deems necessary, the department will notify the taxpayer if the alternative method of allocation and apportionment is deemed applicable.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 422.63.

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