

## HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENT EXPLANATION



Bill Number: **HB 2081**

Blattman Floor Amendment

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The 6-page Blattman amendment dated 01/30/2025 at 8:28AM:

1. Ties the tipped tax subtraction to those earning 80% of the Area Median Income or less.
2. Makes conforming changes.

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BLATTMAN FLOOR AMENDMENT  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2081  
(Reference to printed bill)

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1 The bill as proposed to be amended is reprinted as follows:  
2 Sec. 1. Section 43-1022, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to  
3 read:  
4       43-1022. Subtractions from Arizona gross income  
5       In computing Arizona adjusted gross income, the following amounts  
6 shall be subtracted from Arizona gross income:  
7       1. The amount of exemptions allowed by section 43-1023.  
8       2. Benefits, annuities and pensions in an amount totaling not more  
9 than \$2,500 received from one or more of the following:  
10       (a) The United States government service retirement and disability  
11 fund, the United States foreign service retirement and disability system  
12 and any other retirement system or plan established by federal law, except  
13 retired or retainer pay of the uniformed services of the United States  
14 that qualifies for a subtraction under paragraph 26 of this section.  
15       (b) The Arizona state retirement system, the corrections officer  
16 retirement plan, the public safety personnel retirement system, the  
17 elected officials' retirement plan, an optional retirement program  
18 established by the Arizona board of regents under section 15-1628, an  
19 optional retirement program established by a community college district  
20 board under section 15-1451 or a retirement plan established for employees  
21 of a county, city or town in this state.  
22       3. A beneficiary's share of the fiduciary adjustment to the extent  
23 that the amount determined by section 43-1333 decreases the beneficiary's  
24 Arizona gross income.  
25       4. Interest income received on obligations of the United States,  
26 minus any interest on indebtedness, or other related expenses, and  
27 deducted in arriving at Arizona gross income, that were incurred or  
28 continued to purchase or carry such obligations.

1       5. The excess of a partner's share of income required to be  
2 included under section 702(a)(8) of the internal revenue code over the  
3 income required to be included under chapter 14, article 2 of this title.

4       6. The excess of a partner's share of partnership losses determined  
5 pursuant to chapter 14, article 2 of this title over the losses allowable  
6 under section 702(a)(8) of the internal revenue code.

7       7. The amount allowed by section 43-1025 for contributions during  
8 the taxable year of agricultural crops to charitable organizations.

9       8. The portion of any wages or salaries paid or incurred by the  
10 taxpayer for the taxable year that is equal to the amount of the federal  
11 work opportunity credit, the empowerment zone employment credit, the  
12 credit for employer paid social security taxes on employee cash tips and  
13 the Indian employment credit that the taxpayer received under sections  
14 45A, 45B, 51(a) and 1396 of the internal revenue code.

15      9. The amount of exploration expenses that is determined pursuant  
16 to section 617 of the internal revenue code, that has been deferred in a  
17 taxable year ending before January 1, 1990 and for which a subtraction has  
18 not previously been made. The subtraction shall be made on a ratable  
19 basis as the units of produced ores or minerals discovered or explored as  
20 a result of this exploration are sold.

21      10. The amount included in federal adjusted gross income pursuant  
22 to section 86 of the internal revenue code, relating to taxation of social  
23 security and railroad retirement benefits.

24      11. To the extent not already excluded from Arizona gross income  
25 under the internal revenue code, compensation received for active service  
26 as a member of the reserves, the national guard or the armed forces of the  
27 United States, including compensation for service in a combat zone as  
28 determined under section 112 of the internal revenue code.

29      12. The amount of unreimbursed medical and hospital costs, adoption  
30 counseling, legal and agency fees and other nonrecurring costs of adoption  
31 not to exceed \$3,000. In the case of a husband and wife who file separate  
32 returns, the subtraction may be taken by either taxpayer or may be divided  
33 between them, but the total subtractions allowed both husband and wife may  
34 not exceed \$3,000. The subtraction under this paragraph may be taken for  
35 the costs that are described in this paragraph and that are incurred in  
36 prior years, but the subtraction may be taken only in the year during  
37 which the final adoption order is granted.

38      13. The amount authorized by section 43-1027 for the taxable year  
39 relating to qualified wood stoves, wood fireplaces or gas fired  
40 fireplaces.

41      14. The amount by which a net operating loss carryover or capital  
42 loss carryover allowable pursuant to section 43-1029, subsection F exceeds  
43 the net operating loss carryover or capital loss carryover allowable  
44 pursuant to section 1341(b)(5) of the internal revenue code.

45      15. Any amount of qualified educational expenses that is  
46 distributed from a qualified state tuition program determined pursuant to

1 section 529 of the internal revenue code and that is included in income in  
2 computing federal adjusted gross income.

3       16. Any item of income resulting from an installment sale that has  
4 been properly subjected to income tax in another state in a previous  
5 taxable year and that is included in Arizona gross income in the current  
6 taxable year.

7       17. For property placed in service:

8           (a) In taxable years beginning before December 31, 2012, an amount  
9 equal to the depreciation allowable pursuant to section 167(a) of the  
10 internal revenue code for the taxable year computed as if the election  
11 described in section 168(k) of the internal revenue code had been made for  
12 each applicable class of property in the year the property was placed in  
13 service.

14           (b) In taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2012  
15 through December 31, 2013, an amount determined in the year the asset was  
16 placed in service based on the calculation in subdivision (a) of this  
17 paragraph. In the first taxable year beginning from and after  
18 December 31, 2013, the taxpayer may elect to subtract the amount necessary  
19 to make the depreciation claimed to date for the purposes of this title  
20 the same as it would have been if subdivision (c) of this paragraph had  
21 applied for the entire time the asset was in service. Subdivision (c) of  
22 this paragraph applies for the remainder of the asset's life. If the  
23 taxpayer does not make the election under this subdivision, subdivision  
24 (a) of this paragraph applies for the remainder of the asset's life.

25           (c) In taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2013  
26 through December 31, 2015, an amount equal to the depreciation allowable  
27 pursuant to section 167(a) of the internal revenue code for the taxable  
28 year as computed as if the additional allowance for depreciation had been  
29 ten percent of the amount allowed pursuant to section 168(k) of the  
30 internal revenue code.

31           (d) In taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2015  
32 through December 31, 2016, an amount equal to the depreciation allowable  
33 pursuant to section 167(a) of the internal revenue code for the taxable  
34 year as computed as if the additional allowance for depreciation had been  
35 fifty-five percent of the amount allowed pursuant to section 168(k) of the  
36 internal revenue code.

37           (e) In taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2016, an  
38 amount equal to the depreciation allowable pursuant to section 167(a) of  
39 the internal revenue code for the taxable year as computed as if the  
40 additional allowance for depreciation had been the full amount allowed  
41 pursuant to section 168(k) of the internal revenue code.

42       18. With respect to property that is sold or otherwise disposed of  
43 during the taxable year by a taxpayer that complied with section 43-1021,  
44 paragraph 11 with respect to that property, the amount of depreciation  
45 that has been allowed pursuant to section 167(a) of the internal revenue  
46 code to the extent that the amount has not already reduced Arizona taxable  
47 income in the current or prior taxable years.

1        19. The amount contributed during the taxable year to college  
2 savings plans established pursuant to section 529 of the internal revenue  
3 code on behalf of the designated beneficiary to the extent that the  
4 contributions were not deducted in computing federal adjusted gross  
5 income. The amount subtracted may not exceed:

6              (a) \$2,000 per beneficiary for a single individual or a head of  
7 household.

8              (b) \$4,000 per beneficiary for a married couple filing a joint  
9 return. In the case of a husband and wife who file separate returns, the  
10 subtraction may be taken by either taxpayer or may be divided between  
11 them, but the total subtractions allowed both husband and wife may not  
12 exceed \$4,000 per beneficiary.

13        20. The portion of the net operating loss carryforward that would  
14 have been allowed as a deduction in the current year pursuant to section  
15 172 of the internal revenue code if the election described in section  
16 172(b)(1)(H) of the internal revenue code had not been made in the year of  
17 the loss that exceeds the actual net operating loss carryforward that was  
18 deducted in arriving at federal adjusted gross income. This subtraction  
19 only applies to taxpayers who made an election under section 172(b)(1)(H)  
20 of the internal revenue code as amended by section 1211 of the American  
21 recovery and reinvestment act of 2009 (P.L. 111-5) or as amended by  
22 section 13 of the worker, homeownership, and business assistance act of  
23 2009 (P.L. 111-92).

24        21. For taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2013,  
25 the amount of any net capital gain included in federal adjusted gross  
26 income for the taxable year derived from investment in a qualified small  
27 business as determined by the Arizona commerce authority pursuant to  
28 section 41-1518.

29        22. An amount of any net long-term capital gain included in federal  
30 adjusted gross income for the taxable year that is derived from an  
31 investment in an asset acquired after December 31, 2011, as follows:

32              (a) For taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2012  
33 through December 31, 2013, ten percent of the net long-term capital gain  
34 included in federal adjusted gross income.

35              (b) For taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2013  
36 through December 31, 2014, twenty percent of the net long-term capital  
37 gain included in federal adjusted gross income.

38              (c) For taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2014,  
39 twenty-five percent of the net long-term capital gain included in federal  
40 adjusted gross income. For the purposes of this paragraph, a transferee  
41 that receives an asset by gift or at the death of a transferor is  
42 considered to have acquired the asset when the asset was acquired by the  
43 transferor. If the date an asset is acquired cannot be verified, a  
44 subtraction under this paragraph is not allowed.

45        23. If an individual is not claiming itemized deductions pursuant  
46 to section 43-1042, the amount of premium costs for long-term care  
47 insurance, as defined in section 20-1691.

1        24. The amount of eligible access expenditures paid or incurred  
2 during the taxable year to comply with the requirements of the Americans  
3 with disabilities act of 1990 (P.L. 101-336) or title 41, chapter 9,  
4 article 8 as provided by section 43-1024.

5        25. For taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2017,  
6 the amount of any net capital gain included in Arizona gross income for  
7 the taxable year that is derived from the exchange of one kind of legal  
8 tender for another kind of legal tender. For the purposes of this  
9 paragraph:

10        (a) "Legal tender" means a medium of exchange, including specie,  
11 that is authorized by the United States Constitution or Congress to pay  
12 debts, public charges, taxes and dues.

13        (b) "Specie" means coins having precious metal content.

14        26. Benefits, annuities and pensions received as retired or  
15 retainer pay of the uniformed services of the United States in amounts as  
16 follows:

17        (a) For taxable years through December 31, 2018, an amount totaling  
18 not more than \$2,500.

19        (b) For taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2018  
20 through December 31, 2020, an amount totaling not more than \$3,500.

21        (c) For taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2020,  
22 the full amount received.

23        27. For taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2020,  
24 the amount contributed during the taxable year to an achieving a better  
25 life experience account established pursuant to section 529A of the  
26 internal revenue code on behalf of the designated beneficiary to the  
27 extent that the contributions were not deducted in computing federal  
28 adjusted gross income. The amount subtracted may not exceed:

29        (a) \$2,000 per beneficiary for a single individual or a head of  
30 household.

31        (b) \$4,000 per beneficiary for a married couple filing a joint  
32 return. In the case of a husband and wife who file separate returns, the  
33 subtraction may be taken by either taxpayer or may be divided between  
34 them, but the total subtractions allowed both husband and wife may not  
35 exceed \$4,000 per beneficiary.

36        28. For taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2020,  
37 Arizona small business gross income but only if an individual taxpayer has  
38 elected to separately report and pay tax on the taxpayer's Arizona small  
39 business adjusted gross income on the Arizona small business income tax  
40 return.

41        29. To the extent not already excluded from Arizona gross income  
42 under the internal revenue code, the value of virtual currency and  
43 non-fungible tokens the taxpayer received pursuant to an airdrop at the  
44 time of the airdrop. This paragraph may not be interpreted as providing a  
45 subtraction for any appreciation in value that occurs from holding the  
46 virtual currency after the initial receipt of the airdrop. For the  
47 purposes of this paragraph:

1           (a) "Airdrop" means the receipt of virtual currency through a means  
2 of distribution of virtual currency to the distributed ledger addresses of  
3 multiple taxpayers.

4           (b) "Non-fungible token" has the same meaning prescribed in section  
5 43-1028.

6           (c) "Virtual currency" has the same meaning prescribed in section  
7 43-1028.

8           30. The amount allowed as a subtraction by section 43-1028 for gas  
9 fees not already included in the taxpayer's virtual currency or  
10 non-fungible token basis.

11          31. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2024,  
12 TO THE EXTENT NOT ALREADY EXCLUDED FROM ARIZONA GROSS INCOME UNDER THE  
13 INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, COMPENSATION RECEIVED AS CASH TIPS DURING THE  
14 TAXABLE YEAR THAT ARE REPORTED TO THE EMPLOYER PURSUANT TO 26 UNITED  
15 STATES CODE SECTION 6053(a) [IN AN AMOUNT THAT DOES NOT EXCEED EIGHTY  
16 PERCENT OF THE AREA MEDIAN INCOME FOR THIS STATE AS DETERMINED BY THE  
17 UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR THE TAXABLE  
18 YEAR].

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