## CHAPTER 934—H. F. No. 1654

An act relating to taxes on and measured by net income; amending Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 290.37.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 1953, Section 290.37, is amended to read:

- 290.37 Persons required to make returns. Subdivision 1. The following persons shall make a return which shall contain or be verified by a written declaration that it is made under the penalties of criminal liability for wilfully making a false return, for each taxable year, or fractional part thereof where permitted or required by law:
- (a) A single individual with respect to his own taxable net income if that exceeds an amount on which a tax at the rates herein provided would exceed the specified credits allowed, or if his gross income exceeds \$1,000.
- (b) A married individual if his own taxable net income or the combined taxable net income of himself and his spouse exceeds an amount on which a tax at the rates herein provided would exceed the specified credits allowed, or if his gross income or the combined gross income of himself and his spouse exceeds \$2,000.
- (c) The executor or administrator of the estate of a decedent with respect to the taxable net income of such decedent for that part of the taxable year during which he was alive if such taxable net income exceeds an amount on which a tax at the rates herein provided would exceed the specific credits allowed, or if such decedent's gross income for the aforesaid period exceeds \$1,000.
- (d) The executor or administrator of the estate of a decedent with respect to the taxable net income of such estate if that exceeds an amount on which a tax at the rates herein provided would exceed the specific credits allowed, or if such estate's gross income exceeds \$1,000.
- (e) The trustee or other fiduciary of property held in trust with respect to the taxable net income of such trust if that exceeds an amount on which a tax at the rates herein provided would exceed the specific credits allowed, or if the gross income of such trust exceeds \$1,000, if in either case such trust belongs to the class of taxable persons.
- (f) The guardian of an infant or other incompetent person with respect to such infant's or other person's taxable net income if that exceeds an amount on which a tax at the

rates herein provided would exceed the specific credits allowed, or if the gross income of such infant or other incompetent person exceeds \$1,000.

- (g) Every corporation with respect to its taxable net income if in excess of \$500, or if its gross income exceeds \$5,000. The return in this case shall be signed by the president, vice-president, or other principal officer, and by the treasurer or assistant treasurer.
- (h) The receivers, trustees in bankruptcy, or assignees operating the business or property of a taxpayer with respect to the taxable net income of such taxpayer if that exceeds an amount on which a tax at the rates herein provided would exceed the specific credits allowed (or, if the taxpayer is a corporation, if the taxable net income exceeds \$500), or if such taxpayer's gross income exceeds \$5,000.
- Subd. 2. If a return is prepared for a taxpayer by a person (or persons) or a firm (including partnerships, corporations, etc.), the individual or firm responsible for such preparation shall complete the statement of verification provided on the income return forms in the following manner:
- (a) If the person, (or persons) responsible for the preparation of the return is an individual acting in his own capacity, the statement of verification shall be signed by such individual:
- (b) If a firm is responsible for the preparation of the return, the statement of verification shall be signed with the firm name. However, if the firm name is stamped or typed, it should be followed by the signature of a person authorized to sign the verification on behalf of the firm. The firm may authorize any officer, member, or employee to sign the verification.

Such verification is not required if the actual preparation of the return is a regular and usual incident of the employment of one regularly and continuously employed for full time by the person for whom the return is made (such as a clerk, secretary, bookkeeper, etc.).

Sec. 2. The provisions of this act are applicable to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 1956.

Approved April 29, 1957.