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# **Recent Developments in Tax Legislation**

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#### A. Reductions in Corporate Income Tax

- 1. Law 4579/2018 (the **New Law**) amends the Income Tax Code (Law 4172/2013) regarding corporate income tax, resulting in a gradual reduction in corporate income tax rates as follows:
  - a. twenty eight percent (28%) for the 2019 fiscal year;
  - b. twenty seven percent (27%) for the 2020 fiscal year;
  - c. twenty six percent (26%) for the 2021 fiscal year; and

- d. twenty five percent (25%) for the fiscal years from 2022 onwards.
- 2. The corporate income tax rate for credit institutions remains at 29%.

### B. Reductions in the Annual Real Estate Tax (ENFIA)

- The New Law provides for reductions in the Annual Real Estate Tax (ENFIA) regarding individuals with 'low-value' real estate properties.
- 2. Specifically for the 2019 fiscal year, provision is made that:
  - a. in cases where the total value of the property is less than €60,000, the respective tax is reduced by 30%;
    and
  - b. in cases where the total value of real estate properties exceeds the amount of €60,000, a progressive reduction applies, up to the amount of €100.
- 3. The exemption applicable to fields (areas outside the city plan) owned by individuals from supplementary ENFIA is extended until the end of the 2019 tax year.

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