

# Finance Act 1991

## **1991 CHAPTER 31**

#### PART III

INCOME TAX, CORPORATION TAX AND CAPITAL GAINS TAX

#### CHAPTER I

#### **GENERAL**

# Capital allowances

# 59 Interaction with VAT capital goods scheme

- (1) The Capital Allowances Act 1990 shall have effect with the amendments specified in Schedule 14 to this Act.
- (2) The amendments made by that Schedule shall have effect in relation to any chargeable period or its basis period ending on or after 6th April 1990.

#### 60 Toll roads

- (1) The Capital Allowances Act 1990 shall be amended as follows.
- (2) Part I (industrial buildings and structures) shall be amended as mentioned in subsections (3) to (6) below.
- (3) In section 3 (writing-down allowances) there shall be inserted at the end—
  - "(5) For the purposes of this section, a person entitled to charge tolls in respect of a road shall be treated as having an interest in the road."
- (4) In section 18 (definition of "industrial structure") in subsection (1), after paragraph (d) there shall be inserted—
  - "(da) for the purposes of a toll road undertaking; or".

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- (5) In section 20 (meaning of "relevant interest") after subsection (4) there shall be inserted—
  - "(5) For the purposes of subsections (1) and (2) above, in their application to expenditure incurred on the construction of a toll road, the right to charge tolls in respect of the road shall not be treated as an interest in the road.
  - (6) Where, in the case of expenditure incurred on the construction of a toll road, the person who incurred the expenditure—
    - (a) was not for the purposes of subsections (1) and (2) above entitled to an interest in the road when he incurred the expenditure, but
    - (b) was at that time entitled to charge tolls in respect of the road,
    - "the relevant interest" means, in relation to that expenditure, the right to charge tolls in respect of the road."
- (6) In section 21 (interpretation) after subsection (5) there shall be inserted—
  - "(5A) For the purposes of this Part, the carrying on of a toll road undertaking shall be treated as the carrying on of an undertaking by way of trade; and accordingly, references in this Part (except sections 17 and 18) to a trade shall be treated as including references to an undertaking treated by virtue of this subsection as carried on by way of trade.
    - (5B) For the purposes of this Part, a person carrying on a toll road undertaking shall be treated as occupying for the purposes of the undertaking any toll road comprised in it."
- (7) Part VIII (supplementary provisions) shall be amended as mentioned in subsections (8) and (9) below.
- (8) In section 140 (income tax allowances and charges in taxing a trade etc.) at the end there shall be inserted—
  - "(11) In the application of this section to allowances and charges which fall to be made under the provisions of Part I, references to a trade shall be treated as including references to an undertaking treated by virtue of section 21(5A) as carried on by way of trade."
- (9) In section 144 (corporation tax allowances and charges in taxing a trade) at the end there shall be inserted—
  - "(4) In the application of subsection (2) above to allowances and charges which fall to be made under the provisions of Part I, references to a trade shall be treated as including references to an undertaking treated by virtue of section 21(5A) as carried on by way of trade."
- (10) This section shall have effect in relation to any chargeable period or its basis period ending on or after 6th April 1991.

### 61 Hiring motor cars

(1) Section 35 of the Capital Allowances Act 1990 (motor cars) shall be amended as mentioned in subsections (2) and (3) below.

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- (2) In subsection (2) (reduction of allowance for hiring cars whose retail price when new exceeds £8,000) at the end there shall be inserted the words "; but this subsection shall have effect subject to subsection (3) below."
- (3) The following subsections shall be inserted after subsection (2)—
  - "(3) Subsection (2) above shall not apply where the hiring is under a hire-purchase agreement under which there is an option to purchase exercisable on the payment of a sum equal to not more than 1 per cent. of the retail price of the motor car when new.
  - (4) In subsection (3) above "hire-purchase agreement" has the meaning given by section 784(6) of the principal Act."
- (4) This section shall have effect in relation to any chargeable period or its basis period ending on or after the day on which this Act is passed.