

**New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration
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**TECHNICAL INFORMATION RELEASE
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Business Tax Rate Reductions

The purpose of this Technical Information Release (“TIR”) is to provide taxpayers and practitioners with information about the rate of the Business Profits Tax (“BPT”) and Business Enterprise Tax (“BET”) (collectively “Business Tax”).

RSA 77-A:2 and RSA 77-E:2 provide that for taxable periods ending on or after December 31, 2018, the BPT rate will be reduced to 7.9% and the BET rate will be reduced to .675%, contingent upon combined unrestricted general and education trust fund revenues of \$4.64 billion being collected during the biennium ending June 30, 2017 as reported in the audited comprehensive annual financial report performed pursuant to RSA 21-I:8, II(a). On or about December 31, 2017, the Legislative Budget Assistant was required to report on whether revenue collections had met the threshold.

The Legislative Budget Assistant has provided notification that combined unrestricted general and education trust fund revenues totaling \$4,865,161,000 were collected during the biennium ending June 30, 2017 as reported in the State’s [2017 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report](#).

As a result, pursuant to RSA 77-A:2 and RSA 77-E:2, for taxable periods ending on or after December 31, 2018, the BPT rate is 7.9% and the BET rate is .675%.

For taxable periods ending on or after December 31, 2016 and before December 31, 2018, the BPT rate is 8.2% and the BET rate is .72%.

House Bill 517 (Chapter 156, Sections 213-217, Laws of 2017) enacted two additional Business Tax rate reductions applicable to taxable periods ending on or after December 31, 2019 and on or after December 31, 2021. The Department expects to issue future TIRs to remind taxpayers of these prospective Business Tax rate reductions.

Additional information about the BPT can be obtained by referencing RSA 77-A and N.H. Code of Admin. Rules, Rev 300 and additional information about the BET can be obtained by referencing RSA 77-E and N.H. Code of Admin. Rules, Rev 2400, which can both be accessed on the Department’s [website](#).

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