

(whether under this chapter, the corresponding provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939, or the corresponding provisions of prior revenue laws), for which the requirements of subsection (a)(1)(A) and (C) are met.

“(2) EFFECT OF ELECTION.—For any taxable year to which an election made under this subsection applies, the community income under foreign community property laws of the husband and wife making the election shall be treated as provided by subsection (b), except that the other community income described in paragraph (4) of subsection (b) shall be treated as the income of the spouse who, for such taxable year, had gross income under paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of subsection (b), plus separate gross income, greater than that of the other spouse.

“(d) TIME FOR MAKING ELECTIONS; PERIOD OF LIMITATIONS; ETC.—

“(1) TIME.—An election under subsection (a) or (c) for a taxable year may be made at any time while such year is still open, and shall be made in such manner as the Secretary or his delegate shall by regulations prescribe.

“(2) EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR ASSESSING DEFICIENCIES AND MAKING REFUNDS.—If any taxable year to which an election under subsection (a) or (c) applies is open at the time such election is made, the period for assessing a deficiency against, and the period for filing claim for credit or refund of any overpayment by, the husband and wife for such taxable year, to the extent such deficiency or overpayment is attributable to such an election, shall not expire before 1 year after the date of such election.

“(3) ALIEN SPOUSE NEED NOT JOIN IN SUBSECTION (C) ELECTION IN CERTAIN CASES.—If the Secretary or his delegate determines—

“(A) that an election under subsection (c) would not affect the liability for Federal income tax of the spouse referred to in subsection (a)(1)(C) for any taxable year, or

“(B) that the effect on such liability for tax cannot be ascertained and that to deny the election to the citizen of the United States would be inequitable and cause undue hardship.

such spouse shall not be required to join in such election, and paragraph (2) of this subsection shall not apply with respect to such spouse.

“(4) INTEREST.—To the extent that any overpayment or deficiency for a taxable year is attributable to an election made under this section, no interest shall be allowed or paid for any period before the day which is 1 year after the date of such election.

“(e) DEFINITIONS AND SPECIAL RULES.—For purposes of this section—

“(1) DEDUCTIONS.—Deductions shall be treated in a manner consistent with the manner provided by this section for the income to which they relate.

“(2) OPEN YEARS.—A taxable year of a citizen of the United States and his spouse shall be treated as ‘open’ if the period for assessing a deficiency against such citizen for such year has not expired before the date of the election under subsection (a) or (c), as the case may be.

“(3) ELECTIONS IN CASE OF DECEDENTS.—If a husband or wife is deceased his election under this section may be made by his executor, administrator, or other person charged with his property.

“(4) DEATH OF SPOUSE DURING TAXABLE YEAR.—In applying subsection (a)(1)(C), and in determining under subsection (c)(2) which spouse has the greater income for a taxable year, if a husband or wife dies the taxable year of the surviving spouse shall be treated as ending on the date of such death.”

(2) The table of subparts for such part III is amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

Subpart H. Income of certain nonresident United States citizens subject to foreign community property laws.”

(3) Section 911(d) (relating to earned income from sources without the United States) is amended—

(A) by striking out “For administrative” and inserting in lieu thereof the following: “(1) For administrative”; and

(B) by adding at the end thereof the following:

“(2) For elections as to treatment of income subject to foreign community property laws, see section 981.”