VIRGINIA RETURNS

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- Identity theft protection
  - Last five characters of each Taxpayer's Driver License Number (optional).
  - Will be adding an IP Pin similar to the Federal Return soon.

- First Time Homeowners Account
  - Cash or marketable securities only.
  - Used for Down Payment or allowable closing costs.
  - For buying a single family unit in Virginia effective January 1, 2014.
  - Initial principal limited to \$50,000 per account, and max is \$150,000.
  - Will require paper statement.

#### •Long Term Care **CREDIT**.

- Not available for policies initiated after December 31, 2013. Prior year policy credit can continue until completed.
- •Form VAC
  - Original refund deposited in Virginia College Savings Plan(s)

•Political Contribution Credit is now a line on the 760, not the 760-CR.

•Worksheet will show changes on amended return.

- •Filing status will be code rather than a check box.
- •Estimate payments and refunds applied to this year will be separate lines.

•What's New

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## TaxWise

- Quick overview
  - Front matter
    - Check Boxes
    - Locality Code
  - Federal AGI is starting point
  - Additions and Subtractions
  - Deductions and Exemptions
  - •Tax
  - Payments and Refunds

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- •Filing Status for TP(s) Full Year resident(s) similar as Federal Return:
  - •Single, MFJ and MFS Federal is Single, MFJ and MFS Virginia
- •Note that on the VA760 it is now a code rather than a check box.

# FILING STATUS

# LOCALITY CODE

- •Locality Code for political jurisdictions within the state can be found near the back of the VA760 Instructions.
  - Residence on December 31, 2014
  - •Be careful Postal address may not be the same as Virginia definition
- •Domicile versus Residence

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- •Only Code 10 on Additions (line 2) is in scope.
- •Only Muni income from other states.
  - Entered via interest or dividend worksheet.
  - It is exempt on Federal.
  - •So have to add (100-Virginia percentage)% in state column.
  - •To encourage buying Virginia Bonds

## INCOME – Additions

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- •These are applicable only to the extent that they are included in the Federal AGI.
- •Age subtractions (line 4) and Social Security and Railroad equivalent (line 5) are line items on the VA 760.

- •Code 20 Income from VA Obligations
  - Gain from Sale of VA Bonds as well as Interest and Dividends from VA bonds.
  - •Generally limited to mutual funds.
  - Does not necessarily flow from the Federal Return.

#### •Code 22 – Tier 2 RR Retirement

- •Remember to check the box on the Railroad 1099-R form in TaxWise. Flows from Federal Return. (Austin)
- •Code 24 Virginia Lottery
  - •Each Virginia lottery winning less than \$600. (Webster)

- •Code 28 Virginia National Guard
  - Pay up to \$3000 per guard member (taxpayer and/or spouse).
- •Code 34 Virginia College Savings Plan
  - •Federal income attributable to distributions from the Virginia College Savings Plan.

### •Code 37 – Unemployment Compensation

• Flows from Federal Return.

#### •Code 39 – Federal and State Employees.

- •VAGI must be less than \$15,000.
- Value of State and Federal incomes.

- •Code 54 First Time Homeowners Account Interest
  - •This has been identified as a subtraction, but details are sparse.
- •Other codes are Out Of Scope

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These are applicable only to the extent that they are included in the Federal AGI
No double dipping.

- •Code 101 Child and Dependent Care Expenses.
  - Should carry forward from the Federal Return.
  - •Amount that the Federal Credit was based.
  - Max of 2 dependents at \$3000 each.
  - •TaxWise handles.

- •Code 102 Foster Care Deduction.
  - •\$1000 for each foster child listed as a dependent for full year.
- •Code 104 Virginia College Savings Plan Contributions.
  - •Up to \$4000 per student w/carry forward if under 70.
  - •No limit if 70 or older.

- •Code 105 Continuing Teacher Education.
  - Deduct 20% of unreimbursed tuition costs not included in Federal AGI (Adjustments).
  - •Required as a condition of employment.
  - Can be included if claimed as a credit on Federal Return.

- •Code 106 Long-Term Care Premiums.
  - Enter amount of Premiums into A Detail Form, medical expenses.
  - Federal may be capped at an amount less than Virginia allows
  - Must NOT be included in itemized deductions. Can be included within the 7.5/10% medical limit and hence deducted.
  - Can complete credit if contract established in calendar year 2013.

- •Code 109 Sales Tax on Energy Star Appliances.
  - Must be energy efficient.
  - •20% of SALES TAX paid.
  - •\$500 per taxpayer.
  - •Would require purchase ~\$41,600 per taxpayer to maximize

- •Code 111 Charitable Mileage.
  - Difference between Federal charitable mileage allowance on Schedule A (\$0.14) and \$0.18.
  - •Only if using Itemized Deductions

- •Code 114 Funeral, Medical, and Dental Premiums.
  - Earned Income >= \$20000
  - Federal AGI <=\$30000.
  - TP age 66 or older.
  - Funeral Insurance for TP only.
  - Medical and Dental for TP and all dependents.

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•On occasion it may be financially advantageous for taxpayer to itemize on the federal return to get a greater net tax refund when the state return is considered

Itemized Deduction

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#### •For Single Taxpayer:

- 10% bracket ~\$800 difference
- •15% bracket ~\$500 difference
- •25% bracket ~\$400 difference
- •For MFJ Taxpayers
  - •10% bracket ~\$1800 difference
  - •15% bracket ~\$1200 difference
#### Miscellaneous Items

- College Savings Plan
- Charity Mileage
- Virginia Gambling Winnings

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- TaxWise handles withholding
- •In TaxWise F/S TAX PD is used to enter:
  - Estimated payments
  - •State 2013 estimated taxes paid in January 2014.
  - •State taxes paid with return in 2014

# TAXES PAID

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## CREDITS

- •Virginia has a credit for Low Income taxpayers
- •Based in part on the Federal EIC
  - •See 760p3

## CREDITS

- Political Contributions
  - Must be to a candidate
  - Must be for Virginia office Governor, State
    Senator and Delegate are highest level
  - •50% of contribution not to exceed \$25 per taxpayer

## CREDITS

- •First twelve months of Long Term Care Insurance Payments
- •Link from Line 23 of 760p1

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#### FININSHING THE RETURN

- Refunds
  - •Cash Card
  - •Virginia College Savings Account
    - •Use Form VAC
  - •Direct deposit

- This discussion relates to bank account (checking or savings) information only.
- If Federal refund is to one account only (checking or savings) and Virginia refund is to go to the same account, check the same account bullet and done.
- All other cases require the dual account entries on the Virginia 760.

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- Check or money order
- •ACH
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## PART YEAR RETURN

- •May be for single Taxpayer, for MFJ or MFS.
- •If MFJ, one Taxpayer may be full year resident and one Taxpayer part year resident, or both Taxpayers may be part year residents.

## PART YEAR RETURN

- •Create 760PY in forms tree
- •Select filing status
- •Dates entered on the return Must be between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014 inclusive.

- •Note that state withholding can not be changed and so there is no need for a state identification number.
- •If W-2 was done correctly, it may be three similar copies, one for Federal, and one for each state.

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### AMENDED RETURNS

- •Amended returns require a Quality Review.
- •Both Preparer and Quality Reviewer must be qualified in TaxWise for the year under consideration.
- •All amended returns must be paper.

### AMENDED RETURN

- •If Federal return is being amended, Virginia most likely be also need to be amended and vice versa.
- •Create the amendment for both and determine at the end if both must be filed.

### AMENDED RETURN

- •Enter change information as would be for any return.
  - •Can delete a form
  - •Can change a data entry
  - Can add a form
  - •Can add data

### AMENDED RETURN

- Federal change information on form 1040X
- Information on the Virginia return at the bottom of 760p1
- Remind taxpayer that amended returns are calculated such that refunds have been paid or that owed taxes have been paid, that is the net changes to the original.