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### **TAX UPDATE**

# 2020 TAX REFORM — PASSAGE OF THE BILLS

The 2020 tax reform bills were passed by the 201<sup>st</sup> ordinary session of the Japanese National Diet on 27 March 2020. The main items of the 2020 tax reform are as follows:

#### Corporate Taxation

- Revision to consolidated tax return filing system (Shift to Japanese group relief system)
- Amendments in relation to the introduction of Japanese group relief system to replace the consolidated tax return filing system
- Introduction of special measures for promoting open innovation
- Amendments to restriction on eligible companies for special tax measures
- Amendments to tax credits for acceleration of wage increases and capital investment
- Extension of and amendments to deductible limit of entertainment expenses
- Introduction of special measures for promoting investment in 5G technology
- Amendments to business tax system for companies conducting the supply of electricity etc.

# International Taxation

- Introduction of new tax rules to prevent tax avoidance by creating tax losses from the transfer of shares in a subsidiary following dividends received from a subsidiary
- Amendments to controlled foreign company (CFC) regime
- · Amendments to foreign tax credits
- · Amendments to earnings stripping rules

# Consumption Tax

 Introduction of special measures for filing due date of the consumption tax returns of companies



#### Individual Taxation

- · Amendments to reporting requirement for overseas assets
- Amendments to dependent deduction for family members living overseas
- Amendments to special measures for aggregation of profits and losses of real property income derived from second-hand overseas buildings

## ■ Improvements in Tax Administration Matters

- Amendments to reduction in special rate of interest tax/interest on refunded tax
- Amendments to statute of limitations for reassessments or determinations with respect to taxation on overseas transactions

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The following back issues of the KPMG Japan tax newsletter include brief summaries of the above items:

- Outline of the 2020 Tax Reform Proposals (20 December 2019)
- 2020 Tax Reform Proposals Revision to Consolidated Tax Return Filing
  System (7 February 2020)

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