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RE: Federal Budget 2024 – Submission relating to Subsection 164(6), Misaligned Timing, and the Avoidance of Double Taxation

The Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (Canada) sent a submission to Finance Canada on Friday, June 21st, 2024, which discusses the mechanics, history, and purpose of subsection 164(6) of the Income Tax Act ("the Act") and suggests changes to improve the administration of the Act. The general scheme of the Act is to levy tax on income and capital gains and to avoid taxing the same income and gains twice. This submission recommends that the Department of Finance implement a technical update to align subsection 164(6) with the 36-month time frame found in other estate-related provisions, such as the definition of "graduated rate estate" and the rollover-on-death provisions in subsections 70(6), (9), (9.1), (9.2), and (9.3).

Many thanks to the members of the committee, Ian Lebane (Chair), Kenneth Keung (Co-Chair), Florence Marino, Ian Pryor, and contributors Jeannie Lim and Hemal Balsara.

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