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underpaid his estimated tax for the calendar year 1955. He may, in lieu of filing an amended declaration on January 15, 1956, and paying the balance of the estimated tax determined thereon, file his final return on January 31, 1956, and pay in full the amount computed thereon as payable. By so doing, he will avoid the addition to the tax with respect to the underpayment of the installment required to be paid by January 15, 1956. The periods of underpayment, under section 6654(c), as to the installments required to be paid on April 15, 1955, June 15, 1955, and September 15, 1955, also terminate on January 15, 1956.

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§ 1.6015(g)-1 Short taxable years of individuals.

(a) Requirement of declaration. No declaration may be made for a period of more than 12 months. For purposes of this section a taxable year of 52 or 53 weeks, in the case of a taxpayer who computes his taxable income in accordance with the election permitted by section 441(f) shall be deemed a period of 12 months. For special rules affecting the time for filing declarations and paying estimated tax by such a taxpayer, see paragraph (b) of §1.441-2. A separate declaration for a fractional part of a year is required where, for example, there is a change, with the approval of the Commissioner, in the basis of computing taxable income from one taxable year to another taxable year. The periods to be covered by such separate declarations in the several cases are those set forth in section 443. No declaration is required if the short taxable year is:

- (1) A period of less than four months. (2) A period of at least four months but less than six months and the requirements of section 6015(a) are first met after the 1st day of the fourth month.
- (3) A period of at least six months but less than nine months and the requirements of section 6015(a) are first met after the 1st day of the sixth month, or
- (4) A period of nine months or more and the requirements of section 6015(a)

are first met after the 1st day of the ninth month.

In the case of a decedent, no declaration need be filed subsequent to the date of death. As to the requirement for an amended declaration if death of one spouse occurs after filing a joint declaration, see paragraph (c) of §1.6015(b)-1.

(b) Income and income tax placed on annual basis. For the purpose of determining whether the anticipated income and tax for a short taxable year resulting from a change of annual accounting period, necessitates the filing of a declaration, income and income tax imposed by chapter 1 (other than by section 56) shall be placed on an annual basis in the manner prescribed in section 443(b)(1). Thus, for example, an unmarried taxpayer who changes from a fiscal year basis to a calendar year basis beginning January 1, 1973, will have a short taxable year beginning July 1, 1972, and ending December 31, 1972. If his anticipated gross income for such short taxable year consists solely of wages (as defined in section 3401(a)) in the amount of \$11,000, his total gross income and his gross income from such wages for the purpose of determining whether a declaration is required is \$22,000, the amount obtained by placing anticipated income of \$11,000 upon an annual basis. Since the taxpayer's anticipated gross income from wages when placed upon an annual basis is in excess of \$20,000, he is required to file a declaration of estimated tax for the short taxable year unless the estimated tax can reasonably be expected to be less than \$100. However, for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1966, the amount which the individual estimates as the amount of self-employment tax imposed by chapter 2 shall be computed on the actual selfemployment income for the short period.

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$\S 1.6015(h)-1$ Estates and trusts.

An estate or trust, though generally taxed as an individual, is not required to file a declaration.