Ministerial Regulation No. 317 (B.E. 2559)

1. Cancellation of Article 2(66) of Ministerial Regulation No. 126 (B.E. 2509) amended by Ministerial Regulation no. 266 (B.E. 2551) and uses this phrase instead:

"(66) Contributions to Long-Term Equity Fund (LTF) are allowed as tax deductions in the same income year for the amount up to 15% of the taxpayer's assessable income but not more than 500,000 baht. Assessable income of a person doesn't include that of an ordinary partnership, a non-juristic body of person and an undivided estate. The required time period for holding LTF is 7 calendar years but as for the case of redemption, due to physical disability or death, redemption proceeds from LTF will be exempt from tax for the assessable income received during January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2019."

2. Cancellation of Article 2(67) of Ministerial Regulation No. 126 (B.E. 2509) amended by Ministerial Regulation no. 246 (B.E. 2547) and uses this phrase instead:

"(67) Money or benefits received from redemption of LTF will be tax exempted for those fall under the criteria of Article 1(66) of Ministerial Regulation No. 317. The required time period for holding LTF is 7 calendar years but as for the case of redemption due to physical disability or death, redemption proceeds from LTF will be exempt"

- Article 2(66) of Ministerial Regulation No. 126 (B.E. 2509) amended by Ministerial Regulation no. 266 (B.E. 2551) will remain effective for the amount invested in LTFs that are purchased before January 1, 2016.
- Article 2(67) of Ministerial Regulation No. 126 (B.E. 2509) amended by Ministerial Regulation no. 246 (B.E. 2547) will remain effective for money or benefits received from redemption of LTF that are purchased before January 1, 2016.
- This Ministerial Regulation will be enforced on assessable income received since January 1, 2016 onwards.

Amending of Rules of holding LTF from 5 years to 7 years

Ministerial Regulation No. 317 (B.E. 2559) provides new rules relating to the holding of Long Term Equity Fund (LTF) for those LTF's that are purchased within the period January 1, 2016 through until December 31, 2018. An individual must buy and hold a LTF for a period of not less than 7 calendar years in order to receive the following tax benefits:

1. Exemption for income paid for buying LTF as a tax allowance; and

2. Exemption for money or benefits received from selling the LTF.

However, readers should be aware that this tax exemption shall still be under the rules and conditions as stipulated by law.

For more details please see: http://goo.gl/f8TbZK

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Contributions to the Long Term Equity Fund (LTF) for the amount less than 15% of assessable income and less than 500,000 baht for the tax year. that are purchased within the period January 1, 2016 through until December 31, 2018. An individual must buy and hold a LTF for a period of not less than 7 calendar years in order to receive the following tax benefits

Contributions to Long Term Equity Fund (LTF) will be exempted up to the maximum of 15% of assessable income or 500,000 baht for the same tax year.

A person means an individual, an ordinary partnership, a non-juristic body of person and an undivided estate.