



## **Instructions: Application for Extension of Time to File Franchise and Excise Tax Return**

You may file this extension along with your payment electronically at: [www.tn.gov/revenue](http://www.tn.gov/revenue).

### Required Payment:

- Payments equal to the lesser of 100% of the prior year tax liability or 90% of the current year tax liability must be made by the original due date.
- If the prior tax year covered less than 12 months, the prior period tax must be annualized when calculating the required payment.
- If there was no liability for the prior year, the required payment is \$100.
- Quarterly estimated payments, prior year overpayments, and any other prepayments should be deducted on Line 3 of the application.

### Extension requests should be made as follows:

- If you are not required to make a payment, because you have already made sufficient payments on or before the original due date, you do not need to file this form.
- If a payment is needed to meet the payment requirement and you do not file your federal return as part of a consolidated group, you can submit either this form or a copy of your federal extension request. This form or copy of your federal extension must be filed with the extension payment on or before the original due date of the return.
- If a payment is required and you file your federal return as part of a consolidated group, you must use this form or file an extension request electronically. This form or the electronic version of this form must be filed with the extension payment on or before the original due date of the return.

### Other important information:

- Penalty will be computed as though no extension has been granted if: (1) the amount paid on or before the original due date does not satisfy the payment requirement indicated above, or (2) the franchise and excise tax return is not filed by the extended due date.
- An approved extension does not affect interest. Interest will be computed on any unpaid tax from the original due date of the return until the date the tax is paid.