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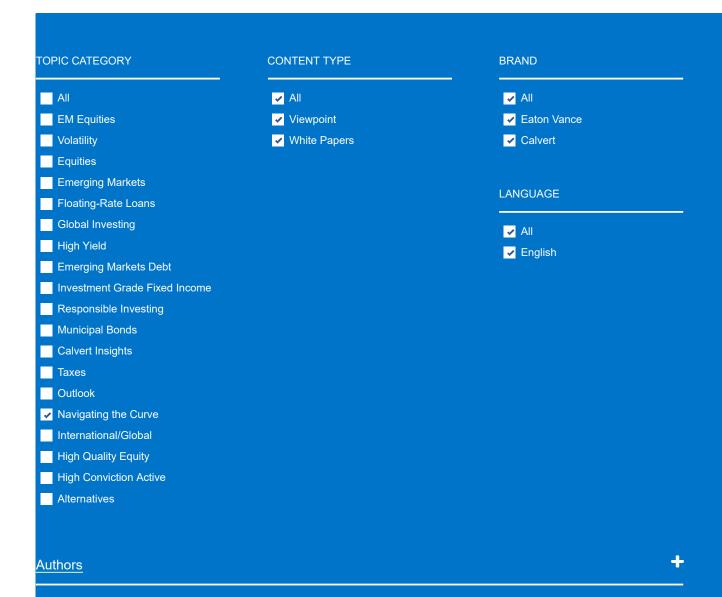
Bracing for the largest generational wealth transfer, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has raised the age at which workers must begin withdrawing funds from their qualified retirement accounts. The final rules (TD 10001; RIN:1545-BP82), released last month, amend the SECURE Act 2.0 permitting account holders to maintain 401(k), 403(b) and individual retirement account savings beyond the previous age limit of 701¹/₂ while eschewing hefty excise taxes punishing late withdrawal of those assets. The IRS also finalized new rules for non-spouse beneficiaries who inherit from original depositors who died in 2020 or later.

"Changes in required minimum distribution age enable workers to leave more cash in retirement accounts longer to help grow savings, part of sweeping legislative and regulatory efforts to whittle the potential retirement savings gap."

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1. High yield municipal bonds are positioned to benefit from the favorable fundamental and technical backdrop that buoyed performance over 2023 and the first half of 2024.

2. Yields remain attractive on a relative and historic basis, with the yield on the Bloomberg High Yield Municipal Bond Index currently at 5.43%.

3. Current and historical trends suggest that investors may want to consider adding high yield municipal bonds to their portfolios as a core allocation.

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