

**SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 6070**

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled  
"Income tax act of 1967,"  
(MCL 206.1 to 206.847) by adding section 715.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

1       Sec. 715. (1) Subject to an appropriation and the limitations  
2 under this section, for tax years beginning on and after January 1,  
3 2023, a qualified employer that voluntarily provides paid adoption  
4 leave to qualified employees may claim a credit against the taxes  
5 required to be withheld and remitted to this state under this  
6 chapter in an amount equal to 50% of the wages paid to each  
7 qualified employee during any period during the tax year in which  
8 the qualified employee is on adoption leave. The maximum amount of  
9 credit allowed per qualified employee for a single adoption leave



1 period is \$4,000.00. The maximum amount of leave with respect to  
2 any qualified employee for which a credit may be claimed under this  
3 section must not exceed 12 weeks. Any adoption leave that is paid  
4 by this state or a political subdivision of this state or that is  
5 required to be paid by law must not be included in determining the  
6 amount of the credit under this section for wages paid to a  
7 qualified employee for adoption leave.

8 (2) A qualified employer claiming a credit under this section  
9 against the withholdings tax payments made under this chapter  
10 shall, in form and content as prescribed by the department, claim  
11 the credit allowed under this section on the annual return required  
12 under section 711 for that same calendar year.

13 (3) As used in this section:

14 (a) "Adoption leave" means a period of absence related to the  
15 adoption of a child by an employee to provide time for bonding and  
16 adjustments immediately after placement of that child with the  
17 employee.

18 (b) "Parental leave" means the period of absence related to  
19 the active participation or supervision in the day-to-day, ongoing  
20 care or maintenance of an employee's child immediately following  
21 the birth of that child, for which the employee reduces or  
22 eliminates the number of hours worked for the employer in a normal  
23 work-time period.

24 (c) "Qualified employee" means an individual who has been  
25 employed by the employer for at least 1 year, and for the preceding  
26 year had compensation that does not exceed 60% of the amount  
27 applicable for highly compensated employees under section  
28 414(q) (1) (B) of the internal revenue code for that same year.

29 (d) "Qualified employer" means an employer that has a written



1 policy offering parental leave and adoption leave that satisfies  
2 both of the following:

3 (i) Provides at least 2 weeks of paid parental leave and  
4 adoption leave for each full-time qualified employee and a  
5 proportionate amount of parental leave and adoption leave for each  
6 part-time qualified employee.

7 (ii) The rate of payment for parental leave and adoption leave  
8 is not less than 50% of the wages normally paid to that same  
9 employee for services performed for the employer.

10 (e) "Wages" means that term as defined in section 3306(b) of  
11 the internal revenue code.