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Introduced by Rep. Hammerstrom

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Varga, Wallace and Yokich named co-sponsors**

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 4840

AN ACT to amend sections 37c and 37d of Act No. 228 of the Public Acts of 1975, entitled "An act to provide for the imposition, levy, computation, collection, assessment and enforcement, by lien or otherwise, of taxes on certain commercial, business, and financial activities; to prescribe the manner and times of making certain reports and paying taxes; to prescribe the powers and duties of public officers and state departments; to permit the inspection of records of taxpayers; to provide for interest and penalties on unpaid taxes; to provide exemptions, credits, and refunds; to provide penalties; to provide for the disposition of funds; to provide for the interrelation of this act with other acts; and to provide an appropriation," as added by Act No. 23 of the Public Acts of 1995, being sections 208.37c and 208.37d of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Section 1. Sections 37c and 37d of Act No. 228 of the Public Acts of 1975, as added by Act No. 23 of the Public Acts of 1995, being sections 208.37c and 208.37d of the Michigan Compiled Laws, are amended to read as follows:

Sec. 37c. (1) For tax years beginning after December 31, 1994 and for a period of time not to exceed 20 years as determined by the Michigan economic growth authority, a taxpayer that is an authorized business may credit against the tax imposed by section 31 the amount certified each year by the Michigan economic growth authority.

(2) The credit under this section for an authorized business for the tax year as determined under the Michigan economic growth authority act shall not exceed the payroll of the authorized business attributable to employees who perform qualified new jobs multiplied by the tax rate.

(3) A taxpayer shall not claim a credit under this section unless the Michigan economic growth authority has issued a certificate to the taxpayer. The taxpayer shall attach the certificate to the return filed under this act on which a credit under this section is claimed.

(4) The certificate required by subsection (3) shall state all of the following:

(a) The taxpayer is an authorized business.

(b) The amount of the credit under this section for the authorized business for the designated tax year.

(c) The taxpayer's federal employer identification number or the Michigan treasury number assigned.

(5) If the credit allowed under this section exceeds the tax liability of the taxpayer for the tax year, the excess shall be refunded to the taxpayer.

(6) An affiliated group, a controlled group of corporations as defined by the internal revenue code, or an entity under common control as defined by the internal revenue code shall claim only 1 credit under this section for each tax year for each expansion or location evidenced by a written agreement whether or not a combined or consolidated return is filed.

(7) A credit shall not be claimed by a taxpayer under this section if the taxpayer's initial certification as required in subsection (3) is issued after December 31, 1999.

(8) As used in this section:

(a) "Authority" or "Michigan economic growth authority" means the Michigan economic growth authority created in the Michigan economic growth authority act, Act No. 24 of the Public Acts of 1995, being sections 207.801 to 207.810 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(b) "Authorized business", "facility", "full-time job", and "written agreement" mean those terms as defined in Act No. 24 of the Public Acts of 1995.

(c) "Payroll" means the total salaries and wages before deducting any personal or dependency exemptions.

(d) "Qualified new jobs" means the average number of full-time jobs at a facility of an authorized business for a tax year in excess of the average number of full-time jobs the authorized business maintained in this state prior to the expansion or location as that is determined under Act No. 24 of the Public Acts of 1995.

(e) "Tax rate" means the rate imposed under section 51(1) of the income tax act of 1967, Act No. 281 of the Public Acts of 1967, being section 206.51 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, for the tax year in which the tax year of the taxpayer for which the credit is being computed begins.

Sec. 37d. (1) For tax years beginning after December 31, 1994, and for a period of time not to exceed 20 years as determined by the Michigan economic growth authority plus any carryforward years allowed under subsection (5), a taxpayer that is an authorized business may credit against the tax imposed by section 31 an amount equal to the tax liability attributable to authorized business activity.

(2) A taxpayer shall not claim a credit under this section unless the Michigan economic growth authority has issued a certificate to the taxpayer. The taxpayer shall attach the certificate to the return filed under this act on which a credit under this section is claimed.

(3) The certificate required by subsection (2) shall state both of the following:

(a) The taxpayer is an authorized business.

(b) The amount of the credit under this section for the authorized business for the designated tax year.

(c) The taxpayer's federal employer identification number or the Michigan treasury number assigned.

(4) The tax liability attributable to authorized business activity is the tax liability imposed by this act after the calculation of the credits provided in sections 36, 37, 38, and 39 multiplied by either of the following fractions as appropriate:

(a) For an authorized business locating a facility in this state, a fraction the numerator of which is the ratio of the value of the facility to all of the taxpayer's property located in this state plus the ratio of the taxpayer's payroll attributable to qualified new jobs to all of the taxpayer's payroll in this state and the denominator of which is 2.

(b) For an authorized business expanding at an existing site, a fraction the numerator of which is the ratio of the value of the new property added to the site as part of that expansion to all of the taxpayer's property located in this state plus the ratio of the taxpayer's payroll attributable to qualified new jobs to all of the taxpayer's payroll in this state and the denominator of which is 2.

(5) If the credit allowed under this section for the tax year and any unused carryforward of the credit allowed by this section exceed the taxpayer's tax liability for the tax year, that portion that exceeds the tax liability for the tax year shall not be refunded but may be carried forward to offset tax liability in subsequent tax years for 10 years or until used up, whichever occurs first.

(6) A credit shall not be claimed by a taxpayer under this section if the taxpayer's initial certification, as required in subsection (2), is issued after December 31, 1999.

(7) As used in this section:

(a) "Authorized business" and "facility" mean those terms as defined in the Michigan economic growth authority act, Act No. 24 of the Public Acts of 1995, being sections 207.801 to 207.810 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

(b) "Authorized business activity" means the business activity of an authorized business certified under Act No. 24 of the Public Acts of 1995.

(c) "Michigan economic growth authority" means the Michigan economic growth authority created in Act No. 24 of the Public Acts of 1995.

(d) "Qualified new jobs" means that term as defined in section 37c.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Secretary of the Senate.

Approved -----

Governor.