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HOUSE BILL No. 5098

August 17, 2005, Introduced by Rep. Condino and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled "Single business tax act,"

by amending sections 3, 9, 22a, 31, 36, 38e, and 71 (MCL 208.3, 208.9, 208.22a, 208.31, 208.36, 208.38e, and 208.71), sections 3, 31, and 71 as amended by 1999 PA 115, section 9 as amended by 2004 PA 258, section 22a as amended by 1996 PA 578, section 36 as amended by 1995 PA 284, and section 38e as amended by 2003 PA 273, and by adding sections 32, 79, and 79a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 3. (1) "Affiliated group" means 2 or more United States corporations, 1 of which owns or controls, directly or indirectly, 80% or more of the capital stock with voting rights of the other

United States corporation or United States corporations. As used in

- 1 this subsection, "United States corporation" means a domestic
- 2 corporation as those terms are defined in section 7701(a)(3) and
- **3** (4) of the internal revenue code.
- 4 (2) "Business activity" means a transfer of legal or equitable
- 5 title to or rental of property, whether real, personal, or mixed,
- 6 tangible or intangible, or the performance of services, or a
- 7 combination thereof, made or engaged in, or caused to be made or
- 8 engaged in, within this state, whether in intrastate, interstate,
- 9 or foreign commerce, with the object of gain, benefit, or
- 10 advantage, whether direct or indirect, to the taxpayer or to
- 11 others, but shall not include the services rendered by an employee
- 12 to his OR HER employer, services as a director of a corporation, or
- 13 a casual transaction. Although an activity of a taxpayer may be
- 14 incidental to another or other of his OR HER business activities,
- 15 each activity shall be considered to be business engaged in within
- 16 the meaning of this act.
- 17 (3) "Business income" means federal taxable income PLUS THE
- 18 AMOUNT OF A DEDUCTION CLAIMED UNDER SECTION 199 OF THE INTERNAL
- 19 REVENUE CODE RELATED TO DOMESTIC PRODUCTION ACTIVITIES, except that
- 20 for a person other than a corporation it means that part of federal
- 21 taxable income derived from business activity PLUS THE AMOUNT OF A
- 22 DEDUCTION CLAIMED UNDER SECTION 199 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE
- 23 RELATED TO DOMESTIC PRODUCTION ACTIVITIES. For a partnership,
- 24 business income includes payments and items of income and expense
- 25 which THAT are attributable to business activity of the
- 26 partnership and separately reported to the partners OF THE
- 27 PARTNERSHIP.

- 1 Sec. 9. (1) "Tax base" means business income, before
- 2 apportionment or allocation as provided in chapter 3, even if zero
- 3 or negative, subject to the adjustments in this section.
- 4 (2) Add gross interest income and dividends derived from
- 5 obligations or securities of states other than Michigan, in the
- 6 same amount that was excluded from federal taxable income, less the
- 7 related portion of expenses not deducted in computing federal
- 8 taxable income because of sections 265 and 291 of the internal
- 9 revenue code.
- 10 (3) Add all taxes on or measured by net income and the tax
- 11 imposed by this act to the extent the taxes were deducted in
- 12 arriving at federal taxable income.
- 13 (4) Add the following, to the extent deducted in arriving at
- 14 federal taxable income:
- 15 (a) A carryback or carryover of a net operating loss.
- **16** (b) A carryback or carryover of a capital loss.
- 17 (c) A deduction for depreciation, amortization, or immediate
- 18 or accelerated write-off related to the cost of tangible assets.
- 19 (d) A dividend paid or accrued except a dividend that
- 20 represents a reduction of premiums to policyholders of insurance
- 21 companies.
- 22 (e) A deduction or exclusion by a taxpayer due to a
- 23 classification as, or the payment of commissions or other fees to,
- 24 a domestic international sales corporation or any like special
- 25 classification the purpose of which is to reduce or postpone the
- 26 federal income tax liability. This subdivision does not apply to
- 27 the special provisions of sections 805, 809, and 815(c)(2)(A) of

- 1 the internal revenue code.
- 2 (f) All interest including amounts paid, credited, or reserved
- 3 by insurance companies as amounts necessary to fulfill the policy
- 4 and other contract liability requirements of sections 805 and 809
- 5 of the internal revenue code. Interest does not include payments or
- 6 credits made **BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2005** to or on behalf of a taxpayer
- 7 by a manufacturer, distributor, or supplier of inventory to defray
- 8 any part of the taxpayer's floor plan interest, if these payments
- 9 are used by the taxpayer to reduce interest expense in determining
- 10 federal taxable income. For purposes of this section, "floor plan
- 11 interest" means interest paid that finances any part of the
- 12 taxpayer's purchase of automobile inventory from a manufacturer,
- 13 distributor, or supplier. However, amounts attributable to any
- 14 invoiced items used to provide more favorable floor plan assistance
- 15 to a taxpayer than to a person who is not a taxpayer is considered
- 16 interest paid by a manufacturer, distributor, or supplier.
- 17 (g) All royalties except for the following:
- (i) On and after July 1, 1985, oil and gas royalties that are
- 19 excluded in the depletion deduction calculation under the internal
- 20 revenue code.
- 21 (ii) Cable television franchise fees described in section 622
- 22 of part III of title VI of the communications act of 1934, 47
- 23 U.S.C. USC 542.
- 24 (iii) Except as provided in subparagraph (iv), for the tax years
- 25 1986 and after 1986, a franchise fee as defined by section 3 of the
- 26 franchise investment law, 1974 PA 269, MCL 445.1503, in the
- 27 following amounts:

- 1 (A) For the tax years 1986, 1987, and 1988, 20% of the
- 2 franchise fee.
- 3 (B) For the tax years 1989 and 1990, 50% of the franchise fee.
- 4 (C) For the tax years 1991 and after 1991, 100% of the
- 5 franchise fee.
- 6 (iv) For the tax years ending before 1991, this subdivision
- 7 does not apply to a fee for services paid by a franchisee that,
- 8 with respect to a specific provision of a franchise agreement, a
- 9 court of competent jurisdiction, before June 5, 1985, has
- 10 determined is not a royalty payment under this act.
- (v) Film rental or royalty payments paid by a theater owner to
- 12 a film distributor, a film producer, or a film distributor and
- 13 producer.
- 14 (vi) Royalties, fees, charges, or other payments or
- 15 consideration paid or incurred by radio or television broadcasters
- 16 for program matter or signals.
- 17 (vii) Royalties, fees, charges, or other payments or
- 18 consideration paid by a film distributor for copyrighted motion
- 19 picture films, program matter, or signals to a film producer.
- 20 (viii) For tax years that begin after December 31, 1993,
- 21 royalties paid by a licensee of application computer software,
- 22 operating system software, or system software pursuant to a license
- 23 agreement. As used in this subparagraph and subsection (7)(c)(vii):
- 24 (A) "Application computer software" means a set of statements
- 25 or instructions that when incorporated in a machine usable medium
- 26 is capable of causing a machine or device having information
- 27 processing capabilities to indicate, perform, or achieve a

- 1 particular business function, task, or result for the nontechnical
- 2 end user. Application computer software includes any other computer
- 3 software that does not qualify under sub-subparagraph (B) or (C).
- 4 (B) "Operating system software" means a set of statements or
- 5 instructions that when incorporated into a machine or device having
- 6 information processing capabilities is an interface between the
- 7 computer hardware and the application computer software or system
- 8 software.
- **9** (C) "System software" means a set of statements or
- 10 instructions that interacts with operating system software that is
- 11 developed, licensed, and intended for the exclusive use of data
- 12 processing professionals to build, test, manage, or maintain
- 13 application computer software for which a license agreement is
- 14 signed by the licensor and licensee at the time of the transfer of
- 15 the software and that is not transferred to the licensee as part of
- 16 or in conjunction with a sale or lease of computer hardware.
- 17 (ix) For tax years that begin after December 31, 2000,
- 18 royalties, fees, or other payments or consideration paid or
- 19 incurred by a franchisee to a franchisor to establish or maintain
- 20 the franchise relationship other than payments for the sale or
- 21 lease of inventory, equipment, fixtures, or real property at fair
- 22 rental or fair market value.
- 23 (h) A deduction for rent attributable to a lease back that
- 24 continues in effect under the former provisions of section
- 25 168(f)(8) of the internal revenue code of 1954 as that section
- 26 provided immediately before the tax reform act of 1986, Public Law
- 27 99-514, became effective or to a lease back of property to which

- 1 the amendments made by the tax reform act of 1986 do not apply as
- 2 provided in section 204 of the tax reform act of 1986.
- **3** (5) Add compensation.
- 4 (6) Add a capital gain related to business activity of
- 5 individuals to the extent excluded in arriving at federal taxable
- 6 income.
- 7 (7) Deduct the following, to the extent included in arriving
- 8 at federal taxable income:
- 9 (a) A dividend received or considered received, including the
- 10 foreign dividend gross-up provided for in the internal revenue
- 11 code.
- 12 (b) All interest except amounts paid, credited, or reserved by
- 13 an insurance company as amounts necessary to fulfill the policy and
- 14 other contract liability requirements of sections 805 and 809 of
- 15 the internal revenue code.
- 16 (c) All royalties except for the following:
- (i) On and after July 1, 1985, oil and gas royalties that are
- 18 included in the depletion deduction calculation under the internal
- 19 revenue code.
- 20 (ii) Except as provided in subparagraph (iii), for the 1986 tax
- 21 year and after the 1986 tax year, a franchise fee as defined in
- 22 section 3 of the franchise investment law, 1974 PA 269, MCL
- 23 445.1503, in the following amounts:
- 24 (A) For the tax years 1986, 1987, and 1988, 20% of the
- 25 franchise fee.
- 26 (B) For the tax years 1989 and 1990, 50% of the franchise fee.
- 27 (C) For the tax years 1991 and after 1991, 100% of the

- 1 franchise fee.
- 2 (iii) For the tax years ending before 1991, this subdivision
- 3 does not apply to a fee for services paid by a franchisee that,
- 4 with respect to a specific provision of a franchise agreement, a
- 5 court of competent jurisdiction, before June 5, 1985, has
- 6 determined is not a royalty payment under this act.
- 7 (iv) Film rental or royalty payments paid by a theater owner to
- 8 a film distributor, a film producer, or a film distributor and
- 9 producer.
- 10 (v) Royalties, fees, charges, or other payments or
- 11 consideration paid or incurred by radio or television broadcasters
- 12 for program matter or signals.
- 13 (vi) Royalties, fees, charges, or other payments or
- 14 consideration paid by a film distributor for copyrighted motion
- 15 picture films, program matter, or signals to a film producer.
- 16 (vii) For tax years that begin after December 31, 1997,
- 17 royalties received by a licensor, distributor, developer, marketer,
- 18 or copyright holder of application computer software or operating
- 19 system software pursuant to a license agreement. System software is
- 20 not included within the exception under this subparagraph.
- 21 (viii) For tax years that begin after December 31, 2000,
- 22 royalties, fees, or other payments or consideration paid or
- 23 incurred by a franchisee to a franchisor to establish or maintain
- 24 the franchise relationship other than payments for the sale or
- 25 lease of inventory, equipment, fixtures, or real property at fair
- 26 rental or fair market value.
- 27 (d) Rent attributable to a lease back that continues in effect

- 1 under the former provisions of section 168(f)(8) of the internal
- 2 revenue code of 1954 as that section provided immediately before
- 3 the tax reform act of 1986, Public Law 99-514, became effective or
- 4 to a lease back of property to which the amendments made by the tax
- 5 reform act of 1986 do not apply as provided in section 204 of the
- 6 tax reform act of 1986.
- 7 (8) Deduct a capital loss not deducted in arriving at federal
- 8 taxable income in the year the loss occurred.
- 9 (9) To the extent included in federal taxable income, add the
- 10 loss or subtract the gain from the tax base that is attributable to
- 11 another entity whose business activities are taxable under this
- 12 act. or would be taxable under this act if the business activities
- 13 were in this state.
- 14 (10) For tax years that begin after December 31, 2004, deduct,
- 15 to the extent included in federal taxable income, income received
- 16 from either of the following:
- 17 (a) Small business innovation research grants and small
- 18 business technology transfer programs established under the small
- 19 business innovation development act of 1982, Public Law 97-219,
- 20 reauthorized under the small business research and development
- 21 enhancement act, Public Law 102-564, and subsequently reauthorized
- 22 under the small business reauthorization act of 2000, Public Law
- **23** 106-554.
- 24 (b) Grants from the Michigan technology tri-corridor SBIR
- 25 emerging business fund administered by the Michigan economic
- 26 development corporation.
- 27 Sec. 22a. (1) Except as otherwise provided, from August 3,

- 1 1987 to September 30, 1987, for the tax year beginning October 1,
- 2 1987 and ending September 30, 1988, and each tax year thereafter,
- 3 the tax base and adjusted tax base of an insurance company is the
- 4 product of .25 times the insurance company's adjusted receipts as
- 5 apportioned under section 62.
- **6** (2) The tax base and adjusted tax base calculated under this
- 7 section shall not be adjusted under sections 23 and 23b.
- **8** (3) The tax calculated under this section is in lieu of all
- 9 other privilege or franchise fees or taxes imposed by any other law
- 10 of this state, except taxes on real and personal property, TAXES
- 11 IMPOSED UNDER THE GENERAL SALES TAX ACT, 1933 PA 167, MCL 205.51 TO
- 12 205.78, AND TAXES IMPOSED UNDER THE USE TAX ACT, 1937 PA 94, MCL
- 13 205.91 TO 205.111, and except as otherwise provided in this act and
- 14 in Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1956 THE INSURANCE CODE OF
- 15 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.100 TO 500.8302.
- 16 (4) As used in this section:
- 17 (a) "Adjusted receipts" means, except as provided in
- 18 subdivision (b), the sum of all of the following:
- 19 (i) Rental and royalty receipts from a person that is not
- 20 either of the following:
- 21 (A) An affiliated insurance company.
- 22 (B) An insurance agent of the taxpayer licensed under chapter
- 23 12 of the insurance code of 1956, Act No. 218 of the Public Acts
- 24 of 1956, being sections 500.1200 to 500.1244 of the Michigan
- 25 Compiled Laws 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.1200 TO 500.1247.
- 26 (ii) Gross direct premiums received for insurance on property
- 27 or risk, deducting premiums on policies not taken and returned

- 1 premiums on canceled policies.
- 2 (iii) Receipts from administrative services only contracts with
- 3 a person who is not an affiliated insurance company or an
- 4 affiliated nonprofit corporation.
- 5 (iv) Receipts from business activity other than the business of
- 6 insurance. As used in this subparagraph, "business of insurance"
- 7 means any activity related to the sale of insurance, payment of
- 8 claims, or claims handling, on policies written by the taxpayer.
- $\mathbf{9}$ (v) Charges not including interest charges attributable to
- 10 premiums paid on a deferred or installment basis.
- 11 (vi) Receipts from servicing carrier fees received from the
- 12 Michigan auto insurance placement facility.
- 13 (b) Adjusted receipts do not include any of the following:
- 14 (i) Receipts from interest, dividends, or proceeds from the
- 15 sale of assets.
- 16 (ii) Receipts, other than receipts described in subsection
- 17 (4)(a)(i) or (ii), from an affiliated insurance company, an
- 18 affiliated nonprofit corporation, an employee of the taxpayer, or
- 19 an insurance agent of the taxpayer licensed under chapter 12 of the
- 20 insurance code of 1956, Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1956,
- 21 being sections 500.1200 to 500.1244 of the Michigan Compiled Laws
- 22 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.1200 TO 500.1247.
- 23 (iii) Receipts on the sale of annuities.
- (iv) Receipts on all reinsurance transactions.
- 25 (c) "Affiliated insurance company" means an insurance company
- 26 that is a member of an affiliated group with the taxpayer or if the
- 27 insurance company does not issue stock, 50% or more of the members

- 1 of that insurance company's board of directors are members of the
- 2 taxpayer's board of directors.
- 3 (d) "Affiliated nonprofit corporation" means a nonprofit
- 4 corporation, of which 80% or more of the members of the board of
- 5 directors are members of the taxpayer's board of directors.
- 6 (5) A refund for taxes paid for tax years before the 1996 tax
- 7 year shall not be paid under this section if the refund claim is
- 8 made after June 30, 1997 and is based on this section as it -exists
- 9 on the effective date of the amendatory act that added this
- 10 subsection EXISTED ON JANUARY 1, 1991.
- Sec. 31. (1) Except as provided in subsections (5) and (6),
- 12 there is levied and imposed a specific tax upon the adjusted tax
- 13 base of every person with business activity in this state that is
- 14 allocated or apportioned to this state at the following rates for
- 15 the specified periods:
- 16 (a) Before October 1, 1994, 2.35%.
- 17 (b) After September 30, 1994 and before January 1, 1999,
- **18** 2.30%.
- 19 (c) Beginning January 1, 1999 and each January 1 after 1999,
- 20 the rate under this subsection shall be reduced as provided in
- 21 subsection (5).
- 22 (2) As used in this section, "adjusted tax base" means the tax
- 23 base allocated or apportioned to this state pursuant to chapter 3
- 24 with the adjustments prescribed by sections 23 and 23b and the
- 25 exemptions prescribed by section 35. If the adjusted tax base
- 26 exceeds 50% of the sum of gross receipts FOR THE PERIOD BEFORE
- 27 OCTOBER 1, 2005 AND 53% FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING ON AND AFTER

- 1 OCTOBER 1, 2005 plus the adjustments provided in section 23b(a) to
- 2 (g), apportioned or allocated to Michigan with the apportionment
- 3 fraction calculated pursuant to chapter 3, the adjusted tax base
- 4 may, at the option of the taxpayer, be reduced by that excess. If a
- 5 taxpayer reduces the adjusted tax base under this subsection, the
- 6 taxpayer is not entitled to the adjustment provided in subsection
- 7 (4) for the same taxable year. This subsection does not apply to an
- 8 adjusted tax base under section 22a.
- 9 (3) The tax levied under this section and imposed is upon the
- 10 privilege of doing business and not upon income.
- 11 (4) In lieu of the reduction provided in subsection (2), a
- 12 person may elect to reduce the adjusted tax base by the percentage
- 13 that the compensation divided by the tax base exceeds 63% FOR THE
- 14 PERIOD BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2005 AND 66% FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING ON
- 15 AND AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2005. The deduction shall not exceed 37% FOR
- 16 THE PERIOD BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2005 AND 34% FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING
- 17 ON AND AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2005 of the adjusted tax base. For purposes
- 18 of computing the deduction allowed by this subsection, as effective
- 19 for the respective tax year, compensation does not include amounts
- 20 of compensation exempt from tax under section 35(1)(e). This
- 21 subsection does not apply to an adjusted tax base under section
- **22** 22a.
- 23 (5) If the comprehensive annual financial report of this state
- 24 for a state fiscal year, published pursuant to section 494 of the
- 25 management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1494, reports an
- ending balance of more than \$250,000,000.00 in the countercyclical
- 27 budget and economic stabilization fund created under section 351 of

- 1 the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1351, for that
- 2 state fiscal year, the tax rate under this section shall be reduced
- 3 by 0.1 percentage point on the January 1 following the end of the
- 4 state fiscal year for which the report was issued.
- 5 (6) The department shall annualize the rate under this section
- 6 as necessary, and the applicable annualized rate shall be imposed.
- 7 SEC. 32. FOR TAX YEARS THAT BEGIN AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2005, A
- 8 TAXPAYER SHALL ADD TO THE TAXPAYER'S TAX LIABILITY FOR THE TAX YEAR
- 9 AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE AMOUNT THE TAXPAYER CLAIMED AS A CREDIT
- 10 PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 361 OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL
- 11 PROTECTION ACT, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.36101 TO 324.36117.
- 12 Sec. 36. (1) As used in this section:
- 13 (a) "Active shareholder" means a shareholder who receives at
- 14 least \$10,000.00 in compensation, director's fees, or dividends
- 15 from the business, and who owns at least 5% of the outstanding
- 16 stock.
- 17 (b) "Officer" means an officer of a corporation other than a
- 18 subchapter S corporation including the chairperson of the board,
- 19 president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer, or persons
- 20 performing similar duties.
- 21 (c) "Adjusted business income" means business income as
- 22 defined in section 3 with all of the following adjustments:
- 23 (i) Add compensation and director's fees of active shareholders
- 24 of a corporation.
- 25 (ii) Make the adjustments provided in section 9(4)(a) and (b).
- **26** (iii) Add compensation and director's fees of officers of a
- 27 corporation.

- 1 (d) "Shareholder" means a person who owns outstanding stock in
- 2 the business OR A MEMBER OF A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT FILES AS A
- 3 CORPORATION FOR FEDERAL TAX PURPOSES. An individual is considered
- 4 as the owner of the stock owned, directly or indirectly, by or for
- 5 family members as defined by section 318(a)(1) of the internal
- 6 revenue code.
- 7 (e) "Loss adjustment" means the amount by which adjusted
- 8 business income was less than zero in any of the 5 tax years
- 9 immediately preceding the tax year for which eligibility for the
- 10 credit provided by this section is being determined. In determining
- 11 the loss adjustment for a tax year, a taxpayer is not required to
- 12 use more of the taxpayer's total negative adjusted business income
- 13 than the amount needed to qualify the taxpayer for the credit under
- 14 this section. A taxpayer shall not be considered to have used any
- 15 portion of the taxpayer's negative adjusted business income amount
- 16 unless the portion used is necessary to qualify for the credit
- 17 under this section. A taxpayer shall not reuse a negative adjusted
- 18 business income amount used as a loss adjustment in a previous tax
- 19 year or use a negative adjusted business income amount from a year
- 20 in which the taxpayer did not receive the credit under this
- 21 section.
- 22 (f) "Subchapter S corporation" means a corporation electing
- 23 taxation under subchapter S of chapter 1 of subtitle A of the
- 24 internal revenue code, sections 1361 to 1379 of the internal
- 25 revenue code.
- 26 (2) The credit provided in this section shall be taken before
- 27 any other credit under this act, and is available to any person

- 1 whose gross receipts do not exceed \$6,000,000.00 for tax years
- 2 commencing on or after January 1, 1984 and before January 1, 1989;
- **3** \$7,000,000.00 for tax years commencing in 1989; \$7,250,000.00 for
- 4 tax years commencing in 1990; \$7,500,000.00 for tax years
- 5 commencing in 1991; or \$10,000,000.00 for tax years commencing
- 6 after 1991, and whose adjusted business income minus the loss
- 7 adjustment does not exceed \$475,000.00 for tax years commencing on
- 8 or after January 1, 1985, subject to the following:
- 9 (a) An individual, a partnership, A BUSINESS ENTITY THAT FILES
- 10 AS A PARTNERSHIP FOR FEDERAL TAX PURPOSES, or a subchapter S
- 11 corporation is disqualified if the individual, any 1 partner of the
- 12 partnership, ANY 1 MEMBER OF THE BUSINESS ENTITY THAT FILES AS A
- 13 PARTNERSHIP FOR FEDERAL TAX PURPOSES, or any 1 shareholder of the
- 14 subchapter S corporation receives more than \$95,000.00 for tax
- 15 years commencing on or after January 1, 1985 and before January 1,
- 16 1998 or more than \$115,000.00 for tax years commencing after
- 17 December 31, 1997 as a distributive share of the adjusted business
- 18 income minus the loss adjustment of the individual, the
- 19 partnership, or the subchapter S corporation.
- 20 (b) A corporation other than a subchapter S corporation is
- 21 disqualified if either of the following occur for the respective
- 22 tax year:
- 23 (i) Compensation and director's fees of a shareholder or
- 24 officer exceed \$95,000.00 for tax years commencing on or after
- 25 January 1, 1985 and before January 1, 1998 or exceed \$115,000.00
- 26 for tax years commencing after December 31, 1997.
- 27 (ii) The sum of the following amounts exceeds \$95,000.00 for

- 1 tax years commencing on or after January 1, 1985 and before January
- 2 1, 1998 or exceeds \$115,000.00 for tax years commencing after
- **3** December 31, 1997:
- 4 (A) Compensation and director's fees of a shareholder.
- 5 (B) The product of the percentage of outstanding stock owned
- 6 by that shareholder multiplied by the difference between the sum of
- 7 business income and the adjustments provided in section 9(4)(a) and
- 8 (b) minus the loss adjustment.
- **9** (c) Subject to section 36d, for a taxpayer that is eligible
- 10 for the credit under this subsection for tax years beginning after
- 11 December 31, 1997, the credit determined under this subsection
- 12 shall be reduced by the following percentages in the following
- 13 circumstances:
- 14 (i) If an individual, any 1 partner of the partnership, ANY 1
- 15 MEMBER OF THE BUSINESS ENTITY THAT FILES AS A PARTNERSHIP FOR
- 16 FEDERAL TAX PURPOSES, or any 1 shareholder of the subchapter S
- 17 corporation receives as a distributive share of adjusted gross
- 18 income minus the loss adjustment of the individual, partnership,
- 19 BUSINESS ENTITY THAT FILES AS A PARTNERSHIP FOR FEDERAL TAX
- 20 PURPOSES, or subchapter S corporation; if compensation and
- 21 directors' fees of a shareholder or officer of a corporation other
- 22 than a subchapter S corporation are; or if the sum of the amounts
- 23 in subdivision (b)(ii)(A) and (B) is more than \$95,000.00 but less
- 24 than \$100,000.00, the credit is reduced by 20%.
- 25 (ii) If an individual, any 1 partner of the partnership, ANY 1
- 26 MEMBER OF THE BUSINESS ENTITY THAT FILES AS A PARTNERSHIP FOR
- 27 FEDERAL TAX PURPOSES, or any 1 shareholder of the subchapter S

- 1 corporation receives as a distributive share of adjusted gross
- 2 income minus the loss adjustment of the individual, partnership,
- 3 BUSINESS ENTITY THAT FILES AS A PARTNERSHIP FOR FEDERAL TAX
- 4 PURPOSES, or subchapter S corporation; if compensation and
- 5 directors' fees of a shareholder or officer of a corporation other
- 6 than a subchapter S corporation are; or if the sum of the amounts
- 7 in subdivision (b)(ii)(A) and (B) is \$100,000.00 or more but less
- 8 than \$105,000.00, the credit is reduced by 40%.
- 9 (iii) If an individual, any 1 partner of the partnership, ANY 1
- 10 MEMBER OF THE BUSINESS ENTITY THAT FILES AS A PARTNERSHIP FOR
- 11 FEDERAL TAX PURPOSES, or any 1 shareholder of the subchapter S
- 12 corporation receives as a distributive share of adjusted gross
- 13 income minus the loss adjustment of the individual, partnership,
- 14 BUSINESS ENTITY THAT FILES AS A PARTNERSHIP FOR FEDERAL TAX
- 15 PURPOSES, or subchapter S corporation; if compensation and
- 16 directors' fees of a shareholder or officer of a corporation other
- 17 than a subchapter S corporation are; or if the sum of the amounts
- 18 in subdivision (b)(ii)(A) and (B) is \$105,000.00 or more but less
- 19 than \$110,000.00, the credit is reduced by 60%.
- 20 (iv) If an individual, any 1 partner of the partnership, ANY 1
- 21 MEMBER OF THE BUSINESS ENTITY THAT FILES AS A PARTNERSHIP FOR
- 22 FEDERAL TAX PURPOSES, or any 1 shareholder of the subchapter S
- 23 corporation receives as a distributive share of adjusted gross
- 24 income minus the loss adjustment of the individual, partnership,
- 25 BUSINESS ENTITY THAT FILES AS A PARTNERSHIP FOR FEDERAL TAX
- 26 PURPOSES, or subchapter S corporation; if compensation and
- 27 directors' fees of a shareholder or officer of a corporation other

- 1 than a subchapter S corporation are; or if the sum of the amounts
- 2 in subdivision (b)(ii)(A) and (B) is \$110,000.00 or more but less
- 3 than \$115,000.00, the credit is reduced by 80%.
- 4 (3) For the purposes of determining disqualification under
- 5 subsection (2), an active shareholder's share of business income
- 6 shall not be attributed to another active shareholder.
- 7 (4) A person who qualifies pursuant to subsection (2) is
- 8 allowed a credit against the tax imposed by section 31. For tax
- 9 years commencing before January 1, 1989, the credit is a percentage
- 10 reduction in tax liability. For tax years commencing on and after
- 11 January 1, 1989 and through tax years commencing in 1991, the
- 12 credit is the greater of the amount by which the tax imposed by
- 13 section 31 exceeds 4% of adjusted business income or 3% of adjusted
- 14 business income for tax years commencing after 1991 or a percentage
- 15 reduction in tax liability. However, beginning October 1, 1994, the
- 16 percentage of adjusted business income shall be 2%. The department
- 17 shall annualize the rates provided under this subsection as
- 18 necessary for tax years that end after September 30, 1994 and the
- 19 applicable annualized rate shall be imposed for those tax years.
- 20 (5) The percentage reduction provided in subsection (4) is
- 21 calculated by subtracting from 100% the percentage computed by
- 22 dividing adjusted business income by 45% of tax base.
- 23 (6) If gross receipts exceed \$5,000,000.00 for tax years
- 24 commencing on or after January 1, 1984 and before January 1, 1989;
- 25 \$6,000,000.00 for tax years commencing in 1989; \$6,250,000.00 for
- 26 tax years commencing in 1990; \$6,500,000.00 for tax years
- 27 commencing in 1991; or \$9,000,000.00 for tax years commencing after

- 1 1991, the credit shall be reduced by a fraction, the numerator of
- 2 which is the amount of gross receipts over \$5,000,000.00 for tax
- 3 years commencing on or after January 1, 1984 and before January 1,
- 4 1989; \$6,000,000.00 for tax years commencing in 1989; \$6,250,000.00
- 5 for tax years commencing in 1990; \$6,500,000.00 for tax years
- 6 commencing in 1991; or \$9,000,000.00 for tax years commencing after
- 7 1991, and the denominator of which is \$1,000,000.00. The credit
- 8 shall not exceed 50% for tax years commencing before January 1,
- 9 1984; 90% for tax years commencing on or after January 1, 1984 and
- 10 before January 1, 1988; or 100% for tax years commencing on and
- 11 after January 1, 1988 of the tax liability imposed by section 31.
- 12 (7) An affiliated group as defined in this act, a controlled
- 13 group of corporations as defined in section 1563 of the internal
- 14 revenue code and further described in 26 -C.F.R. CFR 1.414(b)-1
- 15 and 1.414(c)-1 to 1.414(c)-5, or an entity under common control as
- 16 defined by the internal revenue code shall not take the credit
- 17 allowed by this section unless the business activities of the
- 18 entities are consolidated. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SUBSECTION,
- 19 BUSINESS ACTIVITIES INCLUDE ALL ACTIVITIES WITHIN AND OUTSIDE OF
- 20 THIS STATE.
- 21 (8) The department shall permit a taxpayer who elects to claim
- 22 the credit allowed by this section based on the amount by which the
- 23 tax imposed by section 31 exceeds the percentage of adjusted
- 24 business income for the tax year as determined under subsection
- 25 (4), and who is not required to reduce the credit pursuant to
- 26 subsection (2) or (6), to file and pay the tax imposed by this act
- 27 without computing the tax imposed under section 31.

- 1 (9) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE TERM "CORPORATION" INCLUDES A
- 2 BUSINESS ENTITY THAT FILES AS A CORPORATION FOR FEDERAL TAX
- 3 PURPOSES.
- 4 Sec. 38e. (1) A taxpayer may claim a credit against the tax
- 5 imposed by this act equal to the sum of 50% of the qualified
- 6 expenses INCURRED BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2005 AS defined in subsection
- 7 (5)(d)(i) and (ii) and 100% of the qualified expenses **INCURRED BEFORE**
- 8 OCTOBER 1, 2005 AS defined in subsection (5)(d)(iii) paid by the
- 9 taxpayer in the tax year in each of the following circumstances:
- 10 (a) Except for apprentices trained under subdivision (b) or
- 11 (c), an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00 for each apprentice trained
- 12 by the taxpayer in the tax year.
- 13 (b) For companies that have a classification under the North
- 14 American industrial classification system (NAICS) of 333511,
- 15 333512, 333513, 333514, or 333515 and for tax years that begin
- 16 after December 31, 2003, an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00 for each
- 17 apprentice trained by the taxpayer in the tax year.
- 18 (c) For companies that have a classification under the North
- 19 American industrial classification system (NAICS) of 333511,
- 20 333512, 333513, 333514, or 333515 and for tax years that begin
- 21 after December 31, 2003, an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00 for each
- 22 special apprentice trained by the taxpayer in the tax year.
- 23 (2) If the credit allowed under this section exceeds the tax
- 24 liability of the taxpayer under this act for the tax year, that
- 25 portion of the credit that exceeds the tax liability shall be
- 26 refunded.
- 27 (3) The credit allowed under this section shall be claimed on

- 1 the annual return required under section 73, or for a taxpayer that
- 2 is not required to file an annual return, the department shall
- 3 provide that the credit under this subsection may be claimed on the
- 4 C-8044 form, a successor form for persons not required to file an
- 5 annual return, or other simplified form prescribed by the
- 6 department.
- 7 (4) For each year that this credit is in effect, the
- 8 department of labor and economic growth shall prepare a report
- 9 containing information including, but not limited to, the number of
- 10 companies taking advantage of the apprenticeship credit, the number
- 11 of apprentices participating in the program, the number of
- 12 apprentices who complete a program the costs of which were the
- 13 basis of a credit under this section, the number of apprentices
- 14 that were hired by the taxpayer after the apprenticeship training
- 15 was completed for which the taxpayer claimed a credit under this
- 16 section for the costs of training that apprentice, information on
- 17 the employment status of individuals who have completed an
- 18 apprenticeship to the extent the information is available, and the
- 19 fiscal impact of the apprenticeship credit. This report shall then
- 20 be transmitted to the house tax policy and senate finance
- 21 committees and to the house and senate appropriations committees.
- 22 This report shall be due no later than the first day of March each
- **23** year.
- 24 (5) As used in this section:
- 25 (a) "Apprentice" means a person who is a resident of this
- 26 state, is 16 years of age or older but younger than 20 years of
- 27 age, has not obtained a high school diploma, is enrolled in high

- 1 school or a general education development (G.E.D.) test preparation
- 2 program, and is trained by a taxpayer through a program that meets
- 3 all of the following criteria:
- 4 (i) The program is registered with the bureau of apprenticeship
- 5 and training of the United States department of labor.
- 6 (ii) The program is provided pursuant to an apprenticeship
- 7 agreement signed by the taxpayer and the apprentice.
- 8 (iii) The program is filed with a local workforce development
- 9 board.
- 10 (iv) The minimum term in hours for the program shall be not
- 11 less than 4,000 hours.
- 12 (b) "Enrolled" means currently enrolled or expecting to enroll
- 13 after a period of less than 3 months during which the program is
- 14 not in operation and the apprentice is not enrolled.
- 15 (c) "Local workforce development board" means a board
- 16 established by the chief elected official of a local unit of
- 17 government pursuant to the job training partnership act, Public Law
- 18 97-300, 96 Stat. 1322, that has the responsibility to ensure that
- 19 the workforce needs of the employers in the geographic area
- 20 governed by the local unit of government are met.
- 21 (d) "Qualified expenses" means all of the following expenses
- 22 paid by the taxpayer in a tax year that begins after December 31,
- 23 1996 for expenses used to calculate a credit under subsection
- 24 (1)(a) and after December 31, 2003 for expenses used to calculate a
- 25 credit under subsection (1)(b) that were not paid for with funds
- 26 the taxpayer received or retained that the taxpayer would not
- 27 otherwise have received or retained and that are used for training

- 1 an apprentice:
- 2 (i) Salary and wages paid to an apprentice.
- (ii) Fringe benefits and other payroll expenses paid for the
- 4 benefit of an apprentice.
- 5 (iii) Costs of classroom instruction and related expenses
- 6 identified as costs for which the taxpayer is responsible under an
- 7 apprenticeship agreement, including but not limited to tuition,
- 8 fees, and books for college level courses taken while the
- 9 apprentice is enrolled in high school.
- 10 (e) "Special apprentice" means a person who is not an
- 11 apprentice as defined by section (5)(a), is a resident of this
- 12 state, is 16 years of age or older but younger than 25 years of
- 13 age, and is trained by a taxpayer through a program that meets all
- 14 of the criteria under subdivision (a)(i) to (iv).
- 15 Sec. 71. (1) A taxpayer that reasonably expects liability for
- 16 the tax year to exceed \$600.00 or adjustments under section 23 to
- 17 exceed \$100,000.00 shall file an estimated return and pay an
- 18 estimated tax for each quarter of the taxpayer's tax year.
- 19 (2) For taxpayers on a calendar year basis the quarterly
- 20 returns and estimated payments shall be made by April 30, July 31,
- 21 October 31, and January 31. Taxpayers not on a calendar year basis
- 22 shall file quarterly returns and make estimated payments on the
- 23 appropriate due date which in the taxpayer's fiscal year
- 24 corresponds to the calendar year.
- 25 (3) The estimated payment made with each quarterly return of
- 26 each tax year shall be for the estimated tax base for the quarter
- 27 or 25% of the estimated annual liability. The second, third, and

- 1 fourth estimated payments in each tax year shall include
- 2 adjustments, if necessary, to correct underpayments or overpayments
- 3 from previous quarterly payments in the tax year to a revised
- 4 estimate of the annual tax liability.
- 5 (4) The interest AND PENALTY provided by this act shall not be
- 6 assessed if any of the following occur:
- 7 (a) If the sum of the estimated payments equals at least 85%
- 8 of the liability or 1% of the gross receipts for the tax year and
- 9 the amount of each estimated payment reasonably approximates the
- 10 tax liability incurred during the quarter for which the estimated
- 11 payment was made.
- 12 (b) If the preceding year's tax liability was \$20,000.00 or
- 13 less and if the taxpayer submitted 4 equal installments the sum of
- 14 which equals the previous year's tax liability.
- 15 (C) EFFECTIVE FOR THE 1 TAX YEAR OF THE TAXPAYER DURING WHICH
- 16 THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS SUBDIVISION BECAME EFFECTIVE, IF
- 17 THE UNDERPAYMENT IS DUE TO SECTION 79A OR TO THE CHANGES MADE TO
- 18 SECTIONS 3 AND 36 BY THE AMENDATORY ACT THAT ADDED THIS
- 19 SUBDIVISION.
- 20 (5) Each estimated return shall be made on a form prescribed
- 21 by the department and shall include an estimate of the annual tax
- 22 liability and other information required by the commissioner. This
- 23 form may be combined with any other tax reporting form prescribed
- 24 by the department.
- 25 (6) With respect to a taxpayer filing an estimated tax return
- 26 for the taxpayer's first tax year of less than 12 months, the
- 27 amounts paid with each return shall be proportional to the number

- 1 of payments made in the first tax year.
- 2 (7) Payments made under this section shall be a credit against
- 3 the payment required with the annual tax return required in section
- **4** 73.
- 5 (8) When the commissioner considers it necessary to insure
- 6 payment of the tax or to provide a more efficient administration of
- 7 the tax, the commissioner may require filing of the returns and
- 8 payment of the tax for other than quarterly or annual periods.
- 9 (9) A taxpayer that elects under the internal revenue code to
- 10 file an annual federal income tax return by March 1 in the year
- 11 following the taxpayer's tax year and does not make a quarterly
- 12 estimate or payment, or does not make a quarterly estimate or
- 13 payment and files a tentative annual return with a tentative
- 14 payment by January 15, in the year following the taxpayer's tax
- 15 year and a final return by April 15 in the year following the
- 16 taxpayer's tax year, shall have the same option in filing the
- 17 estimated and annual returns required by this act.
- 18 (10) Instead of the quarterly return prescribed in subsections
- 19 (1) and (2) the taxpayer may elect either of the following options:
- (a) To file and pay before the sixteenth day of each month an
- 21 estimated return computed at the rate of 1% of the gross receipts
- 22 for the preceding month.
- 23 (b) To file and pay before the sixteenth day of the months
- 24 specified in subsection (2) an estimated return computed at the
- 25 rate of 1% of the gross receipts for the preceding quarter.
- 26 (11) A penalty for underpayment of an estimated tax under this
- 27 act shall not be assessed for the taxpayer's first tax year

- 1 beginning after December 31, 1999 if the taxpayer claimed a credit
- 2 under section 35a for the first time on the taxpayer's annual
- 3 return for that tax year and a penalty would not have applied if
- 4 the taxpayer had made adjustments under section 23 or 23b on that
- 5 return.
- 6 SEC. 79. A TAXPAYER THAT FILES A CONSOLIDATED OR COMBINED
- 7 RETURN UNDER THIS ACT SHALL NOT CLAIM A CREDIT CARRYFORWARD OR LOSS
- 8 CARRYFORWARD FROM A YEAR IN WHICH THE MEMBER FROM WHOM THE CREDIT
- 9 CARRYFORWARD OR LOSS CARRYFORWARD ORIGINATED DID NOT FILE A RETURN
- 10 ON A CONSOLIDATED OR COMBINED BASIS IN AN AMOUNT GREATER THAN THE
- 11 TOTAL CREDIT CARRYFORWARD OR LOSS CARRYFORWARD THAT COULD HAVE BEEN
- 12 CLAIMED BY THAT MEMBER FOR THE SAME TAXABLE PERIOD IF THAT MEMBER
- 13 HAD FILED A SEPARATE RETURN.
- 14 SEC. 79A. FOR TAX YEARS THAT BEGIN ON AND AFTER JANUARY 1,
- 15 2006, A TAXPAYER THAT FILES A RETURN UNDER THIS ACT THAT INCLUDES A
- 16 DISREGARDED ENTITY UNDER AN ELECTION PURSUANT TO 26 CFR 301.7701-1
- 17 TO 301.7701-3 OR SECTION 1361(B)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE
- 18 SHALL NOT CLAIM ON THAT RETURN A CREDIT CARRYFORWARD OR LOSS
- 19 CARRYFORWARD FROM A YEAR IN WHICH THE ENTITY FROM WHOM THE CREDIT
- 20 CARRYFORWARD OR LOSS CARRYFORWARD ORIGINATED DID NOT FILE A RETURN
- 21 ON A DISREGARDED ENTITY BASIS IN AN AMOUNT GREATER THAN THE TOTAL
- 22 CREDIT CARRYFORWARD OR LOSS CARRYFORWARD THAT COULD HAVE BEEN
- 23 CLAIMED BY THAT ENTITY IF THAT ENTITY HAD FILED A SEPARATE RETURN.