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HOUSE BILL No. 5405

October 31, 2007, Introduced by Rep. Gillard and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled

"Michigan business tax act,"

by amending section 417 (MCL 208.1417).

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 417. (1) The credit provided in—UNDER this section shall
- 2 be taken after the credits under sections 403 and 405 and before
- 3 any other credit under this act and is available to any taxpayer
- 4 with gross receipts that do not exceed \$20,000,000.00 and with
- 5 adjusted business income minus the loss adjustment that does not
- 6 exceed \$1,300,000.00 as adjusted annually for inflation using the
 - Detroit consumer price index and subject to the following:
- 8 (a) An individual, a partnership, A LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, a
 - limited liability company, or a subchapter S corporation is
 - disqualified if the individual, any 1 partner of the partnership,

- 1 ANY 1 PARTNER OF THE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, any 1 member of the
- 2 limited liability company, or any 1 shareholder of the subchapter S
- 3 corporation receives more than \$180,000.00 as a distributive share
- 4 of the adjusted business income minus the loss adjustment of the
- 5 individual, the partnership, THE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, the limited
- 6 liability company, or the subchapter S corporation.
- 7 (b) A corporation other than a subchapter S corporation is
- 8 disqualified if either of the following occur for the respective
- 9 tax year:
- 10 (i) Compensation and directors' fees of a shareholder or
- 11 officer exceed \$180,000.00.
- 12 (ii) The sum of the following amounts exceeds \$180,000.00:
- (A) Compensation and directors' fees of a shareholder.
- 14 (B) The product of the percentage of outstanding ownership or
- 15 of outstanding stock owned by that shareholder multiplied by the
- 16 difference between the sum of business income and, to the extent
- 17 deducted in determining federal taxable income, a carryback or a
- 18 carryover of a net operating loss or capital loss, minus the loss
- 19 adjustment.
- (c) Subject to the reduction percentage determined under
- 21 subsection (3), the credit determined under this subsection shall
- 22 be reduced by the following percentages in the following
- 23 circumstances:
- 24 (i) If an individual, any 1 partner of the partnership, ANY 1
- 25 PARTNER OF THE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, any 1 member of the limited
- 26 liability company, or any 1 shareholder of the subchapter S
- 27 corporation receives as a distributive share of adjusted business

- 1 income minus the loss adjustment of the individual, partnership,
- 2 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, limited liability company, or subchapter S
- 3 corporation; if compensation and directors' fees of a shareholder
- 4 or officer of a corporation other than a subchapter S corporation
- 5 are; or if the sum of the amounts in subdivision (b) (ii) (A) and (B)
- 6 is more than \$160,000.00 but less than \$165,000.00, the credit is
- 7 reduced by 20%.
- 8 (ii) If an individual, any 1 partner of the partnership, ANY 1
- 9 PARTNER OF THE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, any 1 member of the limited
- 10 liability company, or any 1 shareholder of the subchapter S
- 11 corporation receives as a distributive share of adjusted business
- 12 income minus the loss adjustment of the individual, partnership,
- 13 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, limited liability company, or subchapter S
- 14 corporation; if compensation and directors' fees of a shareholder
- 15 or officer of a corporation other than a subchapter S corporation
- 16 are; or if the sum of the amounts in subdivision (b) (ii) (A) and (B)
- 17 is \$165,000.00 or more but less than \$170,000.00, the credit is
- 18 reduced by 40%.
- 19 (iii) If an individual, any 1 partner of the partnership, ANY 1
- 20 PARTNER OF THE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, any 1 member of the limited
- 21 liability company, or any 1 shareholder of the subchapter S
- 22 corporation receives as a distributive share of adjusted business
- 23 income minus the loss adjustment of the individual, partnership,
- 24 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, limited liability company, or subchapter S
- 25 corporation; if compensation and directors' fees of a shareholder
- 26 or officer of a corporation other than a subchapter S corporation
- 27 are; or if the sum of the amounts in subdivision (b) (ii) (A) and (B)

- 1 is \$170,000.00 or more but less than \$175,000.00, the credit is
- 2 reduced by 60%.
- 3 (iv) If an individual, any 1 partner of the partnership, ANY 1
- 4 PARTNER OF THE LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, any 1 member of the limited
- 5 liability company, or any 1 shareholder of the subchapter S
- 6 corporation receives as a distributive share of adjusted business
- 7 income minus the loss adjustment of the individual, partnership,
- 8 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, limited liability company, or subchapter S
- 9 corporation; if compensation and directors' fees of a shareholder
- 10 or officer of a corporation other than a subchapter S corporation
- 11 are; or if the sum of the amounts in subdivision (b) (ii) (A) and (B)
- 12 is \$175,000.00 or more but not in excess of \$180,000.00, the credit
- is reduced by 80%.
- 14 (2) For the purposes of determining disqualification under
- 15 subsection (1), an active shareholder's share of business income
- 16 shall not be attributed to another active shareholder.
- 17 (3) To determine the reduction percentage under subsection
- 18 (1)(c), the following apply:
- 19 (a) The reduction percentage for a partnership, LIMITED
- 20 PARTNERSHIP, limited liability company, or subchapter S corporation
- 21 is based on the distributive share of adjusted business income
- 22 minus loss adjustment of the partner, LIMITED PARTNER, member, or
- 23 shareholder with the greatest distributive share of adjusted
- 24 business income minus loss adjustment.
- 25 (b) The reduction percentage for a corporation other than a
- 26 subchapter S corporation is the greater of the following:
- 27 (i) The reduction percentage based on the compensation and

- 1 directors' fees of the shareholder or officer with the greatest
- 2 amount of compensation and directors' fees.
- 3 (ii) The reduction percentage based on the sum of the amounts
- 4 in subsection (1)(b)(ii)(A) and (B) for the shareholder or officer
- 5 with the greatest sum of the amounts in subsection (1) (b) (ii) (A) and
- **6** (B).
- 7 (4) A taxpayer that qualifies under subsection (1) is allowed
- 8 a credit against the tax imposed under this act. The credit under
- 9 this subsection is the amount by which the tax imposed under this
- 10 act exceeds 1.8% of adjusted business income.
- 11 (5) If gross receipts exceed \$19,000,000.00, the credit shall
- 12 be reduced by a fraction, the numerator of which is the amount of
- 13 gross receipts over \$19,000,000.00 and the denominator of which is
- 14 \$1,000,000.00. The credit shall not exceed 100% of the tax
- 15 liability imposed under this act.
- 16 (6) For a taxpayer that reports for a tax year less than 12
- 17 months, the amounts specified in this section for gross receipts,
- 18 adjusted business income, and share of business income shall be
- 19 multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of
- 20 months in the tax year and the denominator of which is 12.
- 21 (7) The department shall permit a taxpayer that elects to
- 22 claim the credit allowed under this section based on the amount by
- 23 which the tax imposed under this act exceeds the percentage of
- 24 adjusted business income for the tax year as determined under
- 25 subsection (4), and that is not required to reduce the credit
- 26 pursuant to subsection (1) or (5), to file and pay the tax imposed
- 27 by this act without computing the A tax imposed under sections 201

- 1 and 203.
- 2 (8) Compensation paid by the professional employer
- 3 organization to the officers of the client and to employees of the
- 4 professional employer organization who are assigned or leased to
- 5 and perform services for the client shall be included in
- 6 determining eligibility of the client under this section.
- 7 (9) As used in this section:
- 8 (a) "Active shareholder" means a shareholder who receives at
- 9 least \$10,000.00 in compensation, directors' fees, or dividends
- 10 from the business, and who owns at least 5% of the outstanding
- 11 stock or other ownership interest.
- 12 (b) "Adjusted business income" means business income as
- 13 defined in section 105 with all of the following adjustments:
- 14 (i) Add compensation and directors' fees of active shareholders
- 15 of a corporation.
- 16 (ii) Add, to the extent deducted in determining federal taxable
- 17 income, a carryback or a carryover of a net operating loss.
- 18 (iii) Add, to the extent deducted in determining federal taxable
- 19 income, a capital loss.
- 20 (iv) Add compensation and directors' fees of officers of a
- 21 corporation.
- (c) "Detroit consumer price index" means the most
- 23 comprehensive index of consumer prices available for the Detroit
- 24 area from the United States department of labor, bureau of labor
- 25 statistics.
- 26 (d) "Loss adjustment" means the amount by which adjusted
- 27 business income was less than zero in any of the 5 tax years

- 1 immediately preceding the tax year for which eligibility for the
- 2 credit under this section is being determined. In determining the
- 3 loss adjustment for a tax year, a taxpayer is not required to use
- 4 more of the taxpayer's total negative adjusted business income than
- 5 the amount needed to qualify the taxpayer for the credit under this
- 6 section. A taxpayer shall not be considered to have used any
- 7 portion of the taxpayer's negative adjusted business income amount
- 8 unless the portion used is necessary to qualify for the credit
- 9 under this section. A taxpayer shall not reuse a negative adjusted
- 10 business income amount used as a loss adjustment in a previous tax
- 11 year or use a negative adjusted business income amount from a year
- 12 in which the taxpayer did not receive the credit under this
- 13 section.
- 14 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect January
- 15 1, 2008 and applies to all business activity occurring after
- 16 December 31, 2007.
- 17 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 18 unless all of the following bills of the 94th Legislature are
- 19 enacted into law:
- 20 (a) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 5401(request no.
- **21** 05498'07 *).
- 22 (b) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 5402(request no.
- 23 05499'07 *).
- 24 (c) Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 5403 (request no.
- **25** 05500'07 *).
- 26 (d) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 5404(request no.
- **27** 05501'07 *).

1 (e) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 5406(request no.

2 05503'07 *).

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