

HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR
SENATE BILL NO. 319

A bill to amend 2007 PA 36, entitled
"Michigan business tax act,"
by amending section 434 (MCL 208.1434), as added by 2008 PA 580.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 434. (1) The Michigan economic growth authority is
2 authorized to enter into agreements to provide tax credits
3 available under this section to stimulate the domestic
4 commercialization and affordability of high-power energy batteries,
5 the lack of which today is limiting hybrid, plug-in hybrid battery-
6 electric, and fuel cell vehicle applications, and to help insure
7 that job growth from battery technology and commercial production
8 develops alongside advanced vehicle technology development and
9 renewable power generation initiatives both within and outside the
10 transportation sector.
11 (2) Subject to the limitations provided under this section,

1 for tax years that begin on or after January 1, 2010 and end before
2 January 1, 2015, a taxpayer that has entered into an agreement with
3 the Michigan economic growth authority that provides that the
4 taxpayer will manufacture plug-in traction battery packs in this
5 state may claim a credit against the tax imposed by this act for
6 the manufacture of those plug-in traction battery packs as provided
7 in this section. The Michigan economic growth authority may enter
8 into more than 1 agreement under this section. However, the total
9 number of plug-in traction battery packs eligible for all credits
10 under all agreements allowed under this section shall not exceed
11 the number of plug-in traction battery packs eligible for a credit
12 as provided in this section and at least 1 agreement shall make
13 capital investments of not less than \$200,000,000.00 not later than
14 December 31, 2012. A taxpayer shall not claim a credit under this
15 section for more than 3 years. The total of all credits allowed
16 under this section shall be as follows:

17 (a) For tax years beginning after December 31, 2010 and ending
18 before January 1, 2012, \$500.00 for an equivalent of 4 kilowatt
19 hours of battery capacity plus \$125.00 for each kilowatt hour of
20 battery capacity in excess of 4 kilowatt hours of battery capacity
21 not to exceed \$2,000.00 for each plug-in traction battery pack. The
22 total number of traction battery packs shall not exceed 20,000
23 plug-in traction battery pack units under this subdivision, and the
24 total amount of credits allowed under this subdivision shall not
25 exceed \$40,000,000.00.

26 (b) For tax years beginning after December 31, 2011 and ending
27 before January 1, 2013, \$375.00 for an equivalent of 4 kilowatt

1 hours of battery capacity plus \$93.75 for each kilowatt hour of
2 battery capacity in excess of 4 kilowatt hours of battery capacity
3 not to exceed \$1,500.00 for each plug-in traction battery pack. The
4 total number of traction battery packs shall not exceed 40,000
5 plug-in traction battery pack units under this subdivision, and the
6 total amount of credits allowed under this subdivision shall not
7 exceed \$43,000,000.00. A single taxpayer shall not claim a credit
8 for more than 25,000 plug-in traction battery pack units under this
9 subdivision. The number of battery pack units not used for credits
10 under subdivision (a) may be added to the total number of battery
11 pack units for which a credit is available under this subdivision,
12 and the credits for those units shall be calculated as described in
13 subdivision (a) and shall be in addition to the maximums allowed
14 for any 1 taxpayer under this subdivision or the total limits
15 allowed under this subdivision.

16 (c) For tax years beginning after December 31, 2012 and ending
17 before January 1, 2014, \$375.00 for an equivalent of 4 kilowatt
18 hours of battery capacity plus \$93.75 for each kilowatt hour of
19 battery capacity in excess of 4 kilowatt hours not to exceed
20 \$1,500.00 for each plug-in traction battery pack. The total number
21 of traction battery packs shall not exceed 40,000 plug-in traction
22 battery pack units under this subdivision, and the total amount of
23 credits allowed under this subdivision shall not exceed
24 \$43,000,000.00. A single taxpayer shall not claim a credit for more
25 than 25,000 plug-in traction battery pack units under this
26 subdivision.

27 (d) For tax years beginning after December 31, 2013 and ending

1 before January 1, 2015, \$375.00 for an equivalent of 4 kilowatt
2 hours of battery capacity plus \$93.75 for each kilowatt hour of
3 battery capacity in excess of 4 kilowatt hours not to exceed
4 \$1,500.00 for each plug-in traction battery pack. The total number
5 of traction battery packs shall not exceed 25,000 plug-in traction
6 battery pack units under this subdivision, and the total amount of
7 credits allowed under this subdivision shall not exceed
8 \$9,000,000.00.

9 (3) For tax years that begin on or after January 1, 2012 and
10 subject to the limitations of this subsection, a taxpayer may claim
11 a credit of up to 75% of the qualified expenses for vehicle
12 engineering in this state to support battery integration,
13 prototyping, and launch expenses incurred for tax years that begin
14 on or after January 1, 2009 and end before January 1, 2014. This
15 credit shall not exceed \$15,000,000.00 per year as agreed to and
16 certified by the Michigan economic growth authority. Any expenses
17 for which a credit is claimed under this subsection shall not be
18 included in costs and expenses used for credits available under
19 sections 403 and 405. The Michigan economic growth authority may
20 not authorize more than ~~\$70,000,000.00~~ **\$90,000,000.00** in total
21 credits to all taxpayers under this subsection. To claim the credit
22 under this subsection, a taxpayer must manufacture a cumulative
23 total of at least 1,000 motor vehicles that would qualify for the
24 credit under section 30D of the internal revenue code and the
25 credit shall be available to the taxpayer only for the following
26 percentages of the total authorized annual expenses:

27 (a) In a tax year in which the taxpayer has manufactured a

1 cumulative total of at least 1,000 motor vehicles and fewer than
2 2,000 motor vehicles that qualify for the credit under section 30D
3 of the internal revenue code, 20%.

4 (b) In a tax year in which the taxpayer has manufactured a
5 cumulative total of at least 2,000 motor vehicles but fewer than
6 3,000 motor vehicles that qualify for the credit under section 30D
7 of the internal revenue code, 40%.

8 (c) In a tax year in which the taxpayer has manufactured a
9 cumulative total of at least 3,000 motor vehicles but fewer than
10 4,000 motor vehicles that qualify for the credit under section 30D
11 of the internal revenue code, 60%.

12 (d) In a tax year in which the taxpayer has manufactured a
13 cumulative total of at least 4,000 motor vehicles but fewer than
14 5,000 motor vehicles that qualify for the credit under section 30D
15 of the internal revenue code, 80%.

16 (e) In a tax year in which the taxpayer has manufactured a
17 cumulative total of at least 5,000 motor vehicles that qualify for
18 the credit under section 30D of the internal revenue code, 100%.

19 (4) For tax years that begin on or after January 1, 2012 and
20 end before January 1, 2015, a taxpayer that has entered into an
21 agreement with the Michigan economic growth authority that provides
22 that the taxpayer will increase its engineering activities in this
23 state for advanced automotive battery technologies may claim a
24 credit under this subsection. A taxpayer's qualified advanced
25 battery engineering expenses for advanced automotive battery
26 technologies shall exceed those expenses for the taxpayer's 2008
27 fiscal year to qualify for the credit under this subsection. The

1 Michigan economic growth authority may enter into not more than 1
2 agreement for advanced battery engineering credits, and the total
3 value of credits available under this subsection is limited to
4 \$30,000,000.00. The credits under this subsection shall be allowed
5 as follows:

6 (a) Up to 75% of the total dollar amount of the qualified
7 advance battery engineering expenses of an authorized business
8 incurred during tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2009 and
9 ending before January 1, 2014. The taxpayer must submit to the
10 Michigan economic growth authority an affidavit certifying the
11 amount of qualified advanced battery engineering expenses for each
12 year.

13 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, a
14 taxpayer may claim no more than \$10,000,000.00 in credits under
15 this subsection in any tax year.

16 (c) The credits available under this subsection shall not be
17 allowed if the taxpayer claims credits under subsection (2) for
18 battery pack assembly for the tax year. Notwithstanding this
19 limitation, the credits available under this subsection are in
20 addition to any other incentives which may be authorized under the
21 Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.801 to
22 207.810, for other related or unrelated projects including the
23 vehicle research and development expenses authorized under
24 subsection (3). Any expenses for which a credit is claimed under
25 this subsection shall not be included in costs and expenses used
26 for credits available under sections 403 and 405.

27 (5) A taxpayer that has entered into an agreement with the

1 Michigan economic growth authority may claim a credit equal to 50%
 2 of the capital investment expenses for any tax year for the
 3 construction of an integrative cell manufacturing facility that
 4 includes anode and cathode manufacturing and cell assembly if the
 5 taxpayer will create not less than 300 new jobs in this state. Not
 6 more than ~~1 agreement~~ **3 AGREEMENTS** may be entered into under this
 7 section, and the maximum allowable credit under ~~that~~ **EACH** agreement
 8 shall not exceed \$25,000,000.00 per year for no more than 4 years.
 9 No credit shall be claimed in a tax year beginning before 2012.
 10 However, tax credits may be based on expenses incurred in this
 11 state in prior years. The Michigan economic growth authority shall
 12 ~~not enter into an agreement~~ **ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN**
 13 **AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE CREDITS** under this subsection after ~~August~~
 14 **OCTOBER 1, 2009.**

15 (6) The Michigan economic growth authority shall appoint a
 16 review board to advise it about decisions concerning credits under
 17 subsection (5). The review board shall be composed of not fewer
 18 than ~~2 representatives from automotive manufacturers and 2~~
 19 independent scientists. Additional experts may be sought on an ad
 20 hoc basis to review business plans and addressable markets. In
 21 making its recommendations, the review board shall give preference
 22 to technologies presenting novel materials, manufacturing, and
 23 performance qualities. The review board shall also consider all of
 24 the following:

25 (a) Business activities related to advanced battery technology
 26 occurring exclusively in Michigan.

27 (b) Activities directly related to whole cell production, from

1 materials to large format cells, in Michigan.

2 (c) Scalability of manufacturing processes that are
3 established, are robust, and address strategic global automotive
4 market requirements.

5 (7) Credits under this section shall be taken after
6 nonrefundable credits available under this act. If a credit or the
7 sum of credits allowed under this section exceeds the tax liability
8 of the taxpayer for the tax year, the taxpayer may elect to have
9 that portion that exceeds the tax liability of the taxpayer
10 refunded or to have the excess carried forward to offset tax
11 liability in subsequent tax years for 10 years or until used up,
12 whichever occurs first. Amounts carried forward shall not affect
13 the maximum amount of credits that may be claimed in subsequent
14 years.

15 (8) An agreement entered into for tax credits under this
16 section shall specify all of the following:

17 (a) For credits provided under subsection (2), the number of
18 plug-in traction battery packs eligible for a credit for each tax
19 year covered by the period of the agreement and the maximum amount
20 of the credit that may be claimed by the taxpayer in each tax year.

21 (b) If the taxpayer claims a credit under subsection (3), the
22 qualified expenses for vehicle engineering, prototype, and launch
23 costs and the annual and total dollar amount of the credits that
24 may be claimed under subsection (3).

25 (c) If the taxpayer claims a credit under subsection (4), the
26 total dollar amount of the credits that may be claimed under
27 subsection (4).

1 (d) If a taxpayer claims a credit under subsection (5), all of
2 the following:

3 (i) The location of the facility.

4 (ii) The estimated total cost of the facility.

5 (iii) The capital investment expenses that qualify for the
6 credit under subsection (5).

7 (iv) The annual and total dollar amount of the credits that may
8 be claimed under subsection (5).

9 (9) A taxpayer shall not claim a credit under this section
10 unless the Michigan economic growth authority has issued a
11 certificate to the taxpayer. The taxpayer shall attach the
12 certificate to the annual return filed under this act on which a
13 credit under this section is claimed. The certificate required
14 under this subsection shall state all of the following:

15 (a) The taxpayer is located in this state and engaged in
16 activity that qualifies for the credit under this section.

17 (b) The taxpayer's federal employer identification number or
18 the Michigan department of treasury number assigned to the taxpayer
19 and, for a taxpayer that is a unitary business group, the federal
20 employer identification number or Michigan department of treasury
21 number assigned to the member of the group engaged in this state in
22 the manufacturing of plug-in traction battery packs.

23 (c) If applicable, the number of plug-in traction battery
24 packs manufactured by the taxpayer during the designated tax year
25 and the amount of the credit under this section for which the
26 taxpayer is allowed to claim for the designated tax year.

27 (d) For credits available under subsections (3), (4), and (5),

1 the amount of the credit available for the tax year and such other
2 information as may be required by the department.

3 (10) As used in this section:

4 (a) "Advanced automotive battery technology" means a
5 rechargeable lithium battery that supports vehicle propulsion or
6 other advanced technologies as may be further defined by the
7 Michigan economic growth authority.

8 (b) "Battery cell" means the basic electrochemical unit that
9 provides a source of electrical energy by direct conversion of
10 chemical energy and consists of an assembly of electrodes,
11 separators, electrolyte, container, and terminals.

12 (c) "Capital investment" means expenses incurred during the
13 tax year and included in an agreement under this section that are
14 associated with facilities, equipment, tooling and engineering, and
15 manufacturing, including salaries, contract services, taxes,
16 utilities, raw materials, and supplies.

17 (d) "Michigan economic growth authority" means the Michigan
18 economic growth authority created in the Michigan economic growth
19 authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.801 to 207.810.

20 (e) "Plug-in traction battery pack" means an electrochemical
21 energy storage device that meets the following requirements:

22 (i) Has a traction battery capacity of not less than 4.0
23 kilowatt hours.

24 (ii) Is equipped with an electrical plug by means of which it
25 can be energized and recharged when plugged into an external source
26 of power.

27 (iii) Consists of standardized configuration and is mass-

1 produced.

2 (iv) Has been tested and approved by the national highway
3 transportation safety administration as compliant with applicable
4 motor vehicle and motor vehicle equipment safety standards when
5 installed by a mechanic with standardized training in protocols
6 established by the manufacturer as part of a nationwide
7 distribution program.

8 (v) Is installed in a new qualified plug-in electric drive
9 motor vehicle that qualifies for the credit under section 30D of
10 the internal revenue code.

11 (f) "Qualified advanced battery engineering expenses" means
12 that part of a taxpayer's qualified research expenses as defined
13 under section 41(b) of the internal revenue code related to
14 engineering research and development related to advanced automotive
15 battery technology.

16 (g) "Qualified expenses for vehicle engineering" means that
17 part of a taxpayer's expenses for activities within this state
18 related to integrating batteries into a motor vehicle that would
19 qualify for the credit under section 30D of the internal revenue
20 code including such qualified research expenses as defined under
21 section 41(b) of the internal revenue code.

22 (h) "Traction battery capacity" is the number of kilowatt
23 hours measured from a 100% state of charge to a 0% state of charge.

24 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect
25 unless House Bill No. 4515 of the 95th Legislature is enacted into
26 law.