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## **HOUSE BILL No. 5793**

February 9, 2010, Introduced by Reps. Hansen, Rick Jones, Meltzer, Proos, Schuitmaker, Haveman, Booher, Moore, Marleau and Meekhof 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:

Sec. 417. (1) The credit provided in this section shall be taken after the credits under sections 403 and 405 and before any other credit under this act and is available to any taxpayer with gross receipts that do not exceed \$20,000,000.00 and with adjusted business income minus the loss adjustment that does not exceed \$1,300,000.00 as adjusted annually for inflation using the Detroit consumer price index and subject to the following:

(a) An THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2009, AN individual, a partnership, a limited liability company, or a subchapter S corporation is disqualified if the individual, any 1 partner of the

- 1 partnership, any 1 member of the limited liability company, or any
- 2 1 shareholder of the subchapter S corporation receives more than
- 3 \$180,000.00 as a distributive share of the adjusted business income
- 4 minus the loss adjustment of the individual, the partnership, the
- 5 limited liability company, or the subchapter S corporation.
- 6 BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2010, AN INDIVIDUAL, A PARTNERSHIP, A LIMITED
- 7 LIABILITY COMPANY, OR A SUBCHAPTER S CORPORATION IS DISQUALIFIED IF
- 8 THE INDIVIDUAL, ANY 1 PARTNER OF THE PARTNERSHIP, ANY 1 MEMBER OF
- 9 THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, OR ANY 1 SHAREHOLDER OF THE
- 10 SUBCHAPTER S CORPORATION RECEIVES MORE THAN \$250,000.00 AS ADJUSTED
- 11 ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION USING THE DETROIT CONSUMER PRICE INDEX AS A
- 12 DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OF THE ADJUSTED BUSINESS INCOME MINUS THE LOSS
- 13 ADJUSTMENT OF THE INDIVIDUAL, THE PARTNERSHIP, THE LIMITED
- 14 LIABILITY COMPANY, OR THE SUBCHAPTER S CORPORATION.
- 15 (b) A—THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2009, A corporation other than a
- 16 subchapter S corporation is disqualified if either of the following
- 17 occur OCCURS for the respective tax year:
- (i) Compensation and directors' fees of a shareholder or
- 19 officer exceed \$180,000.00.
- 20 (ii) The sum of the following amounts exceeds \$180,000.00:
- 21 (A) Compensation and directors' fees of a shareholder.
- 22 (B) The product of the percentage of outstanding ownership or
- 23 of outstanding stock owned by that shareholder multiplied by the
- 24 difference between the sum of business income and, to the extent
- 25 deducted in determining federal taxable income, a carryback or a
- 26 carryover of a net operating loss or capital loss, minus the loss
- 27 adjustment.

- 1 (C) BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2010, A CORPORATION OTHER THAN A
- 2 SUBCHAPTER S CORPORATION IS DISQUALIFIED IF EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING
- 3 OCCURS FOR THE RESPECTIVE TAX YEAR:
- 4 (i) COMPENSATION AND DIRECTORS' FEES OF A SHAREHOLDER OR
- 5 OFFICER EXCEED \$250,000.00 AS ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION USING
- 6 THE DETROIT CONSUMER PRICE INDEX.
- 7 (ii) THE SUM OF THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS EXCEEDS \$250,000.00 AS
- 8 ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION USING THE DETROIT CONSUMER PRICE
- 9 INDEX:
- 10 (A) COMPENSATION AND DIRECTORS' FEES OF A SHAREHOLDER.
- 11 (B) THE PRODUCT OF THE PERCENTAGE OF OUTSTANDING OWNERSHIP OR
- 12 OF OUTSTANDING STOCK OWNED BY THAT SHAREHOLDER MULTIPLIED BY THE
- 13 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE SUM OF BUSINESS INCOME AND, TO THE EXTENT
- 14 DEDUCTED IN DETERMINING FEDERAL TAXABLE INCOME, A CARRYBACK OR A
- 15 CARRYOVER OF A NET OPERATING LOSS OR CAPITAL LOSS, MINUS THE LOSS
- 16 ADJUSTMENT.
- 17 (D) (c) Subject THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2009, SUBJECT to the
- 18 reduction percentage determined under subsection (3), the credit
- 19 determined under this subsection shall be reduced by the following
- 20 percentages in the following circumstances:
- 21 (i) If an individual, any 1 partner of the partnership, any 1
- 22 member of the limited liability company, or any 1 shareholder of
- 23 the subchapter S corporation receives as a distributive share of
- 24 adjusted business income minus the loss adjustment of the
- 25 individual, partnership, limited liability company, or subchapter S
- 26 corporation; if compensation and directors' fees of a shareholder
- 27 or officer of a corporation other than a subchapter S corporation

- 1 are; or if the sum of the amounts in subdivision (b) (ii) (A) and (B)
- 2 is more than \$160,000.00 but less than \$165,000.00, the credit is
- 3 reduced by 20%.
- 4 (ii) If an individual, any 1 partner of the partnership, any 1
- 5 member of the limited liability company, or any 1 shareholder of
- 6 the subchapter S corporation receives as a distributive share of
- 7 adjusted business income minus the loss adjustment of the
- 8 individual, 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 \$165,000.00 or more but less than \$170,000.00, the credit is
- 13 reduced by 40%.
- 14 (iii) If an individual, any 1 partner of the partnership, any 1
- 15 member of the limited liability company, or any 1 shareholder of
- 16 the subchapter S corporation receives as a distributive share of
- 17 adjusted business income minus the loss adjustment of the
- 18 individual, partnership, limited liability company, or subchapter S
- 19 corporation; if compensation and directors' fees of a shareholder
- 20 or officer of a corporation other than a subchapter S corporation
- 21 are; or if the sum of the amounts in subdivision (b) (ii) (A) and (B)
- 22 is \$170,000.00 or more but less than \$175,000.00, the credit is
- reduced by 60%.
- 24 (iv) If an individual, any 1 partner of the partnership, any 1
- 25 member of the limited liability company, or any 1 shareholder of
- 26 the subchapter S corporation receives as a distributive share of
- 27 adjusted business income minus the loss adjustment of the

- 1 individual, partnership, limited liability company, or subchapter S
- 2 corporation; if compensation and directors' fees of a shareholder
- 3 or officer of a corporation other than a subchapter S corporation
- 4 are; or if the sum of the amounts in subdivision (b) (ii) (A) and (B)
- 5 is \$175,000.00 or more but not in excess of \$180,000.00, the credit
- 6 is reduced by 80%.
- 7 (E) BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2010, SUBJECT TO THE REDUCTION
- 8 PERCENTAGE DETERMINED UNDER SUBSECTION (3), THE CREDIT DETERMINED
- 9 UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE REDUCED BY THE FOLLOWING PERCENTAGES
- 10 IN THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:
- 11 (i) IF AN INDIVIDUAL, ANY 1 PARTNER OF THE PARTNERSHIP, ANY 1
- 12 MEMBER OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, OR ANY 1 SHAREHOLDER OF
- 13 THE SUBCHAPTER S CORPORATION RECEIVES AS A DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OF
- 14 ADJUSTED BUSINESS INCOME MINUS THE LOSS ADJUSTMENT OF THE
- 15 INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, OR SUBCHAPTER S
- 16 CORPORATION; IF COMPENSATION AND DIRECTORS' FEES OF A SHAREHOLDER
- 17 OR OFFICER OF A CORPORATION OTHER THAN A SUBCHAPTER S CORPORATION
- 18 ARE; OR IF THE SUM OF THE AMOUNTS IN SUBDIVISION (C) (ii) (A) AND (B)
- 19 IS MORE THAN \$230,000.00 AS ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION USING
- 20 THE DETROIT CONSUMER PRICE INDEX BUT LESS THAN \$235,000.00 AS
- 21 ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION USING THE DETROIT CONSUMER PRICE
- 22 INDEX, THE CREDIT IS REDUCED BY 20%.
- 23 (ii) IF AN INDIVIDUAL, ANY 1 PARTNER OF THE PARTNERSHIP, ANY 1
- 24 MEMBER OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, OR ANY 1 SHAREHOLDER OF
- 25 THE SUBCHAPTER S CORPORATION RECEIVES AS A DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OF
- 26 ADJUSTED BUSINESS INCOME MINUS THE LOSS ADJUSTMENT OF THE
- 27 INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, OR SUBCHAPTER S

- 1 CORPORATION; IF COMPENSATION AND DIRECTORS' FEES OF A SHAREHOLDER
- 2 OR OFFICER OF A CORPORATION OTHER THAN A SUBCHAPTER S CORPORATION
- 3 ARE; OR IF THE SUM OF THE AMOUNTS IN SUBDIVISION (C) (ii) (A) AND (B)
- 4 IS \$235,000.00 AS ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION USING THE DETROIT
- 5 CONSUMER PRICE INDEX OR MORE BUT LESS THAN \$240,000.00 AS ADJUSTED
- 6 ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION USING THE DETROIT CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, THE
- 7 CREDIT IS REDUCED BY 40%.
- 8 (iii) IF AN INDIVIDUAL, ANY 1 PARTNER OF THE PARTNERSHIP, ANY 1
- 9 MEMBER OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, OR ANY 1 SHAREHOLDER OF
- 10 THE SUBCHAPTER S CORPORATION RECEIVES AS A DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OF
- 11 ADJUSTED BUSINESS INCOME MINUS THE LOSS ADJUSTMENT OF THE
- 12 INDIVIDUAL, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, OR SUBCHAPTER S
- 13 CORPORATION; IF COMPENSATION AND DIRECTORS' FEES OF A SHAREHOLDER
- 14 OR OFFICER OF A CORPORATION OTHER THAN A SUBCHAPTER S CORPORATION
- 15 ARE; OR IF THE SUM OF THE AMOUNTS IN SUBDIVISION (C) (ii) (A) AND (B)
- 16 IS \$240,000.00 AS ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION USING THE DETROIT
- 17 CONSUMER PRICE INDEX OR MORE BUT LESS THAN \$245,000.00 AS ADJUSTED
- 18 ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION USING THE DETROIT CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, THE
- 19 CREDIT IS REDUCED BY 60%.
- 20 (iv) IF AN INDIVIDUAL, ANY 1 PARTNER OF THE PARTNERSHIP, ANY 1
- 21 MEMBER OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, OR ANY 1 SHAREHOLDER OF
- 22 THE SUBCHAPTER S CORPORATION RECEIVES AS A DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OF
- 23 ADJUSTED BUSINESS INCOME MINUS THE LOSS ADJUSTMENT OF THE
- 24 INDIVIDUAL, 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 (C) (ii) (A) AND (B)

- 1 IS \$245,000.00 AS ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION USING THE DETROIT
- 2 CONSUMER PRICE INDEX OR MORE BUT NOT IN EXCESS OF \$250,000.00 AS
- 3 ADJUSTED ANNUALLY FOR INFLATION USING THE DETROIT CONSUMER PRICE
- 4 INDEX, THE CREDIT IS REDUCED BY 80%.
- 5 (2) For the purposes of determining disqualification under
- 6 subsection (1), an active shareholder's share of business income
- 7 shall not be attributed to another active shareholder.
- 8 (3) To determine the reduction percentage under subsection
- 9 (1)(c) (1) (D) OR (E), WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE, the following apply:
- 10 (a) The reduction percentage for a partnership, limited
- 11 liability company, or subchapter S corporation is based on the
- 12 distributive share of adjusted business income minus loss
- 13 adjustment of the partner, member, or shareholder with the greatest
- 14 distributive share of adjusted business income minus loss
- 15 adjustment.
- 16 (b) The reduction percentage for a corporation other than a
- 17 subchapter S corporation is the greater of the following:
- (i) The reduction percentage based on the compensation and
- 19 directors' fees of the shareholder or officer with the greatest
- 20 amount of compensation and directors' fees.
- 21 (ii) The reduction percentage based on the sum of the amounts
- 22 in subsection (1)(b)(ii)(A) and (B) OR (1)(C)(ii)(A) AND (B),
- 23 WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE, for the shareholder or officer with the
- 24 greatest sum of the amounts in subsection (1)(b)(ii)(A) and (B) OR
- 25 (1) (C) (ii) (A) AND (B), WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE.
- 26 (4) A taxpayer that qualifies under subsection (1) is allowed
- 27 a credit against the tax imposed under this act. The credit under

- 1 this subsection is the amount by which the tax imposed under this
- 2 act exceeds 1.8% of adjusted business income.
- 3 (5) If gross receipts exceed \$19,000,000.00, the credit shall
- 4 be reduced by a fraction, the numerator of which is the amount of
- 5 gross receipts over \$19,000,000.00 and the denominator of which is
- 6 \$1,000,000.00. The credit shall not exceed 100% of the tax
- 7 liability imposed under this act.
- **8** (6) For a taxpayer that reports for a tax year less than 12
- 9 months, the amounts specified in this section for gross receipts,
- 10 adjusted business income, and share of business income shall be
- 11 multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of
- 12 months in the tax year and the denominator of which is 12.
- 13 (7) The department shall permit a taxpayer that elects to
- 14 claim the credit allowed under this section based on the amount by
- 15 which the tax imposed under this act exceeds the percentage of
- 16 adjusted business income for the tax year as determined under
- 17 subsection (4), and that is not required to reduce the credit
- 18 pursuant to subsection (1) or (5), to file and pay the tax imposed
- 19 by this act without computing the tax imposed under sections 201
- 20 and 203.
- 21 (8) Compensation paid by the professional employer
- 22 organization to the officers of the client and to employees of the
- 23 professional employer organization who are assigned or leased to
- 24 and perform services for the client shall be included in
- 25 determining eligibility of the client under this section.
- 26 (9) As used in this section:
- 27 (a) "Active shareholder" means a shareholder who receives at

- 1 least \$10,000.00 in compensation, directors' fees, or dividends
- 2 from the business, and who owns at least 5% of the outstanding
- 3 stock or other ownership interest.
- 4 (b) "Adjusted business income" means business income as
- 5 defined in section 105 with all of the following adjustments:
- 6 (i) Add compensation and directors' fees of active shareholders
- 7 of a corporation.
- 8 (ii) Add, to the extent deducted in determining federal taxable
- 9 income, a carryback or a carryover of a net operating loss.
- 10 (iii) Add, to the extent deducted in determining federal taxable
- 11 income, a capital loss.
- 12 (iv) Add compensation and directors' fees of officers of a
- 13 corporation.
- 14 (c) "Detroit consumer price index" means the most
- 15 comprehensive index of consumer prices available for the Detroit
- 16 area from the United States department of labor, bureau of labor
- 17 statistics.
- 18 (d) "Loss adjustment" means the amount by which adjusted
- 19 business income was less than zero in any of the 5 tax years
- 20 immediately preceding the tax year for which eligibility for the
- 21 credit under this section is being determined. In determining the
- 22 loss adjustment for a tax year, a taxpayer is not required to use
- 23 more of the taxpayer's total negative adjusted business income than
- 24 the amount needed to qualify the taxpayer for the credit under this
- 25 section. A taxpayer shall not be considered to have used any
- 26 portion of the taxpayer's negative adjusted business income amount
- 27 unless the portion used is necessary to qualify for the credit

- 1 under this section. A taxpayer shall not reuse a negative adjusted
- 2 business income amount used as a loss adjustment in a previous tax
- 3 year or use a negative adjusted business income amount from a year
- 4 in which the taxpayer did not receive the credit under this
- 5 section.
- 6 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act is retroactive and
- 7 effective January 1, 2010.
- 8 Enacting section 2. This amendatory act does not take effect
- 9 unless Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 5795 (request no.
- 10 03003'09) of the 95th Legislature is enacted into law.

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