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## **SENATE BILL No. 1104**

April 26, 2012, Introduced by Senators JANSEN, COLBECK, JONES, ROBERTSON, MARLEAU, PROOS and SCHUITMAKER and referred to the Committee on Reforms, Restructuring and Reinventing.

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967," by amending section 703 (MCL 206.703), as amended by 2011 PA 188, and by adding section 704.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 703. (1) A person who disburses pension or annuity payments, except as otherwise provided under this section, shall withhold a tax in an amount computed by applying the rate prescribed in section 51 on the taxable part of payments from an employer pension, annuity, profit-sharing, stock bonus, or other deferred compensation plan as well as from an individual retirement arrangement, an annuity, an endowment, or a life insurance contract issued by a life insurance company. Withholding shall be calculated on the taxable disbursement after deducting from the taxable portion the same proportion of the total amount of personal and

- 1 dependency exemptions of the individual allowed under this act.
- 2 Withholding is not required on any part of a distribution that is
- 3 not expected to be includable in the recipient's gross income or
- 4 that is deductible from adjusted gross income under section
- 5 30(1)(e) or (f).
- 6 (2) Every employer in this state required under the provisions
- 7 of the internal revenue code to withhold a tax on the compensation
- 8 of an individual, except as otherwise provided, shall deduct and
- 9 withhold a tax in an amount computed by applying, except as
- 10 provided by subsection (14), the rate prescribed in section 51 to
- 11 the remainder of the compensation after deducting from compensation
- 12 the same proportion of the total amount of personal and dependency
- 13 exemptions of the individual allowed under this act that the period
- 14 of time covered by the compensation is of 1 year. The department
- 15 may prescribe withholding tables that may be used by employers to
- 16 compute the amount of tax required to be withheld.
- 17 (3) Every-EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 704,
- 18 EVERY flow-through entity in this state shall withhold a tax in an
- 19 amount computed by applying the rate prescribed in section 51 to
- 20 the distributive share of taxable income reasonably expected to
- 21 accrue after allocation and apportionment under chapter 3 of each
- 22 nonresident member who is an individual after deducting from that
- 23 distributive income the same proportion of the total amount of
- 24 personal and dependency exemptions of the individual allowed under
- 25 this act. All of the taxes withheld under this section shall accrue
- 26 to the state on April 15, June JULY 15, and September OCTOBER 15 of
- 27 the flow-through entity's tax year and January 15 of the following

- 1 year, except a flow-through entity that is not on a calendar year
- 2 basis shall substitute the appropriate due dates in the flow-
- 3 through entity's fiscal year that correspond to those in a calendar
- 4 year. Withholding for each period shall be equal to 1/4 of the
- 5 total withholding calculated on the distributive share that is
- 6 reasonably expected to accrue during the tax year of the flow-
- 7 through entity.
- 8 (4) Every EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 704,
- 9 EVERY flow-through entity with business activity in this state that
- 10 has more than \$200,000.00 of business income reasonably expected to
- 11 accrue in the tax year after allocation or apportionment under
- 12 chapter 14 shall withhold a tax in an amount computed by applying
- 13 the rate prescribed in section 623 to the distributive share of the
- 14 business income of each member that is a corporation or that is a
- 15 flow-through entity. FOR PURPOSES OF CALCULATING THE \$200,000.00
- 16 WITHHOLDING THRESHOLD, THE BUSINESS INCOME OF A FLOW-THROUGH ENTITY
- 17 SHALL BE APPORTIONED TO THIS STATE BY MULTIPLYING THE BUSINESS
- 18 INCOME BY THE SALES FACTOR OF THE FLOW-THROUGH ENTITY. THE SALES
- 19 FACTOR OF THE FLOW-THROUGH ENTITY IS A FRACTION, THE NUMERATOR OF
- 20 WHICH IS THE TOTAL SALES OF THE FLOW-THROUGH ENTITY IN THIS STATE
- 21 DURING THE TAX YEAR AND THE DENOMINATOR OF WHICH IS THE TOTAL SALES
- 22 OF THE FLOW-THROUGH ENTITY EVERYWHERE DURING THE TAX YEAR. As used
- 23 in this subsection, "business income" means that term as defined in
- 24 section 603(2). For a partnership or S corporation, business income
- 25 includes payments and items of income and expense that are
- 26 attributable to business activity of the partnership or S
- 27 corporation and separately reported to the members. All of the

- 1 taxes withheld under this section shall accrue to the state on
- 2 April 15, June JULY 15, and September OCTOBER 15 of the flow-
- 3 through entity's tax year and January 15 of the following year,
- 4 except a flow-through entity that is not on a calendar year basis
- 5 shall substitute the appropriate due dates in the flow-through
- 6 entity's fiscal year that correspond to those in a calendar year.
- 7 Withholding for each period shall be equal to 1/4 of the total
- 8 withholding calculated on the distributive share of business income
- 9 that is reasonably expected to accrue during the tax year of the
- 10 flow-through entity.
- 11 (5) If a flow-through entity is subject to the withholding
- 12 requirements of subsection (4), then a member of that flow-through
- 13 entity that is itself a flow-through entity shall withhold a tax on
- 14 the distributive share of business income as described in
- 15 subsection (4) of each of its members. The department shall apply
- 16 tax withheld by a flow-through entity on the distributive share of
- 17 business income of a member flow-through entity to the withholding
- 18 required of that member flow-through entity. All of the taxes
- 19 withheld under this section shall accrue to the state on April 15,
- 20 June JULY 15, and September OCTOBER 15 of the flow-through entity's
- 21 tax year and January 15 of the following year, except a flow-
- 22 through entity that is not on a calendar year basis shall
- 23 substitute the appropriate due dates in the flow-through entity's
- 24 fiscal year that correspond to those in a calendar year.
- 25 Withholding for each period shall be equal to 1/4 of the total
- 26 withholding calculated on the distributive share of business income
- 27 that is reasonably expected to accrue during the tax year of the

- 1 flow-through entity.
- 2 (6) Every casino licensee shall withhold a tax in an amount
- 3 computed by applying the rate prescribed in section 51 to the
- 4 winnings of a nonresident reportable by the casino licensee under
- 5 the internal revenue code.
- 6 (7) Every race meeting licensee or track licensee shall
- 7 withhold a tax in an amount computed by applying the rate
- 8 prescribed in section 51 to a payoff price on a winning ticket of a
- 9 nonresident reportable by the race meeting licensee or track
- 10 licensee under the internal revenue code that is the result of
- 11 pari-mutuel wagering at a licensed race meeting.
- 12 (8) Every casino licensee or race meeting licensee or track
- 13 licensee shall report winnings of a resident reportable by the
- 14 casino licensee or race meeting licensee or track licensee under
- 15 the internal revenue code to the department in the same manner and
- 16 format as required under the internal revenue code.
- 17 (9) Every eligible production company shall, to the extent not
- 18 withheld by a professional services corporation or professional
- 19 employer organization, deduct and withhold a tax in an amount
- 20 computed by applying the rate prescribed in section 51 to the
- 21 remainder of the payments made to the professional services
- 22 corporation or professional employer organization for the services
- 23 of a performing artist or crew member after deducting from those
- 24 payments the same proportion of the total amount of personal and
- 25 dependency exemptions of the individuals allowed under this part.
- 26 (10) Every publicly traded partnership that has equity
- 27 securities registered with the securities and exchange commission

- 1 under section 12 of title I of the securities and exchange act of
- 2 1934, 15 USC 781, shall not be subject to withholding.
- 3 (11) Except as otherwise provided under this subsection, all
- 4 of the taxes withheld under this section shall accrue to the state
- 5 on the last day of the month in which the taxes are withheld but
- 6 shall be returned and paid to the department by the employer,
- 7 eligible production company, casino licensee, or race meeting
- 8 licensee or track licensee within 15 days after the end of any
- 9 month or as provided in section 705. For an employer or flow-
- 10 through entity that has entered into an agreement with a community
- 11 college pursuant to chapter 13 of the community college act of
- 12 1966, 1966 PA 331, MCL 389.161 to 389.166, a portion of the taxes
- 13 withheld under this section that are attributable to each employee
- 14 in a new job created pursuant to the agreement shall accrue to the
- 15 community college on the last day of the month in which the taxes
- 16 are withheld but shall be returned and paid to the community
- 17 college by the employer or flow-through entity within 15 days after
- 18 the end of any month or as provided in section 705 for as long as
- 19 the agreement remains in effect. For purposes of this act and 1941
- 20 PA 122, MCL 205.1 to 205.31, payments made by an employer or flow-
- 21 through entity to a community college under this subsection shall
- 22 be considered income taxes paid to this state.
- 23 (12) A person required by this section to deduct and withhold
- 24 taxes on compensation, a share of income available for distribution
- on which withholding is required under subsection (3), (4), or (5),
- 26 winnings on which withholding is required under subsection (6), or
- 27 a payoff price on which withholding is required under subsection

- 1 (7) holds the amount of tax withheld as a trustee for this state
- 2 and is liable for the payment of the tax to this state or, if
- 3 applicable, to the community college and is not liable to any
- 4 individual for the amount of the payment.
- 5 (13) An employer in this state is not required to deduct and
- 6 withhold a tax on the compensation paid to a nonresident individual
- 7 employee, who, under section 256, may claim a tax credit equal to
- 8 or in excess of the tax estimated to be due for the tax year or is
- 9 exempted from liability for the tax imposed by this act. In each
- 10 tax year, the nonresident individual shall furnish to the employer,
- 11 on a form approved by the department, a verified statement of
- 12 nonresidence.
- 13 (14) A person required to withhold a tax under this act, by
- 14 the fifteenth day of the following month, shall provide the
- 15 department with a copy of any exemption certificate on which the
- 16 employee, member, or person subject to withholding under subsection
- 17 (6) or (7) claims more than 9 personal or dependency exemptions,
- 18 claims a status that exempts the employee, member, or person
- 19 subject to withholding under subsection (6) or (7) from withholding
- 20 under this section.
- 21 (15) A PERSON WHO DISBURSES ANNUITY PAYMENTS PURSUANT TO THE
- 22 TERMS OF A QUALIFIED CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY IS NOT REQUIRED TO
- 23 DEDUCT AND WITHHOLD A TAX ON THOSE PAYMENTS AS PRESCRIBED UNDER
- 24 SUBSECTION (1). AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION, "QUALIFIED CHARITABLE
- 25 GIFT ANNUITY" MEANS AN ANNUITY DESCRIBED UNDER SECTION 501(M)(5) OF
- 26 THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND ISSUED BY AN ORGANIZATION EXEMPT
- 27 UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

- 1 SEC. 704. (1) NOTWITHSTANDING THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION
- 2 703(4), IF A FLOW-THROUGH ENTITY RECEIVES AN EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE
- 3 FROM A CORPORATION, THE FLOW-THROUGH ENTITY SHALL NOT WITHHOLD A
- 4 TAX ON THE DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OF THE BUSINESS INCOME OF THAT
- 5 CORPORATION IF ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:
- 6 (A) THE EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE IS COMPLETED BY THE CORPORATION
- 7 IN THE FORM AND MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT AND CERTIFIES
- 8 THAT THE CORPORATION WILL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:
- 9 (i) FILE THE RETURNS REQUIRED UNDER PART 2 OR UNDER THE
- 10 MICHIGAN BUSINESS TAX ACT, 2007 PA 36, MCL 208.1101 TO 208.1601.
- 11 (ii) PAY THE TAX REQUIRED UNDER PART 2 OR UNDER THE MICHIGAN
- 12 BUSINESS TAX ACT, 2007 PA 36, MCL 208.1101 TO 208.1601, ON THE
- 13 DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OF THE BUSINESS INCOME RECEIVED FROM ANY FLOW-
- 14 THROUGH ENTITY IN WHICH THE CORPORATION IS A MEMBER OR IN WHICH THE
- 15 CORPORATION HAS AN OWNERSHIP OR BENEFICIAL INTEREST, DIRECTLY OR
- 16 INDIRECTLY THROUGH 1 OR MORE OTHER FLOW-THROUGH ENTITIES.
- 17 (iii) SUBMIT TO THE TAXING JURISDICTION OF THIS STATE FOR
- 18 PURPOSES OF COLLECTION OF THE TAX UNDER PART 2 OR UNDER THE
- 19 MICHIGAN BUSINESS TAX ACT, 2007 PA 36, MCL 208.1101 TO 208.1601,
- 20 TOGETHER WITH RELATED INTEREST AND PENALTIES UNDER 1941 PA 122, MCL
- 21 205.1 TO 205.31, IMPOSED ON THE CORPORATION WITH RESPECT TO THE
- 22 DISTRIBUTIVE SHARE OF THE BUSINESS INCOME OF THAT CORPORATION.
- 23 (B) THE CORPORATION SHALL FILE THE EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE WITH
- 24 THE DEPARTMENT AND PROVIDE A COPY TO THE FLOW-THROUGH ENTITY.
- 25 (C) A FLOW-THROUGH ENTITY THAT RECEIVES AN EXEMPTION
- 26 CERTIFICATE SHALL ATTACH A COPY OF THE EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE TO THE
- 27 ANNUAL RECONCILIATION RETURN AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 711. A FLOW-

- 1 THROUGH ENTITY THAT IS ENTIRELY EXEMPT FROM THE WITHHOLDING
- 2 REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 703(4) BY THIS SECTION SHALL FURNISH A COPY
- 3 OF THE EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THE
- 4 DEPARTMENT.
- 5 (D) A COPY OF THE EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE SHALL BE RETAINED BY
- 6 THE CORPORATION AND FLOW-THROUGH ENTITY AND MADE AVAILABLE TO THE
- 7 DEPARTMENT UPON REQUEST. ANY COPY OF THE EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE
- 8 SHALL BE MAINTAINED IN A FORMAT AND FOR THE PERIOD REQUIRED BY 1941
- 9 PA 122, MCL 205.1 TO 205.31.
- 10 (2) THE DEPARTMENT MAY REVOKE THE ELECTION PROVIDED FOR IN
- 11 THIS SECTION IF IT DETERMINES THAT THE CORPORATION OR A FLOW-
- 12 THROUGH ENTITY IS NOT ABIDING BY THE TERMS OF THE EXEMPTION
- 13 CERTIFICATE OR THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION. IF THE DEPARTMENT
- 14 DOES REVOKE THE ELECTION OPTION UNDER THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT
- 15 SHALL NOTIFY THE AFFECTED FLOW-THROUGH ENTITIES THAT WITHHOLDING IS
- 16 REQUIRED ON THE CORPORATION UNDER SECTION 703(4), BEGINNING 60 DAYS
- 17 AFTER NOTICE OF REVOCATION IS RECEIVED.