HOUSE BILL NO. 4993

September 18, 2019, Introduced by Reps. Berman and Witwer and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967,"

(MCL 206.1 to 206.713) by adding section 261.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 261. (1) For tax years beginning on and after January 1,
- 2 2020, a taxpayer may credit against the tax imposed by this part
- 3 for the tax year an amount, subject to the applicable limitations
- 4 under this section, equal to 50% of the amount the taxpayer
- 5 contributes during the tax year to a community foundation. For a





- taxpayer other than a resident estate or trust, the credit allowed 1
- 2 under this section shall not exceed \$100.00, or \$200.00 for a joint
- 3 return. For a resident estate or trust, the credit allowed under
- 4 this section shall not exceed 10% of the taxpayer's tax liability
- for the tax year before claiming any credits allowed by this part 5
- 6 or \$5,000.00, whichever is less. For a resident estate or trust,
- 7 the amount used to calculate the credits under this section shall
- 8 not have been deducted in arriving at federal taxable income.
- 9 (2) If the amount of the credits allowed under this section
- 10 exceeds the tax liability of the taxpayer for the tax year, the portion that exceeds the tax liability shall not be refunded.
- (3) On or before July 1 of each year, the department shall 12
- 13 report to the house committee on tax policy and the senate finance
- 14 committee the total amount of tax credits claimed under this
- 15 section for the immediately preceding tax year.
- 16 (4) As used in this section, "community foundation" means an
- 17 organization that applies for certification on or before May 15 of
- 18 the tax year for which the taxpayer is claiming the credit and that
- 19 the department certifies for that tax year as meeting the
- 20 requirements of a community foundation as provided in section 3 of
- 21 the Michigan community foundation act, 2017 PA 38, MCL 123.903.
- 22 However, for purposes of this section, the organization only needs
- 23 to have assets of at least \$1,000,000.00 to qualify for
- 24 certification by the department.

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