## **HOUSE BILL NO. 5821**

May 28, 2020, Introduced by Rep. Peterson and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Tourism.

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

(MCL 206.1 to 206.713) by adding section 280.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 280. (1) Subject to the limitations provided under this section, a taxpayer that makes a qualified investment in a qualified organization after December 31, 2020 and before January 1, 2026 may claim a credit against the tax imposed by this part equal to 50% of the qualified investment made during the tax year.



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- 1 To qualify for the credit under this section, the taxpayer shall
- 2 request certification of the qualified investment from the Michigan
- 3 strategic fund as provided under the Michigan community investment
- 4 pilot program at least 30 days prior to making the investment. A
- 5 taxpayer shall not claim a credit under this section unless the
- 6 Michigan strategic fund has issued a certificate to the taxpayer.
- 7 (2) The board shall not approve a credit under this section
- 8 for a taxpayer who has been convicted of a felony involving a
- 9 fiduciary obligation or the conversion or misappropriation of funds
- 10 or insurance accounts, theft, deceit, fraud, misrepresentation, or
- 11 corruption. The Michigan strategic fund shall forward a copy of
- 12 each certificate received pursuant to this subsection to the
- 13 governor, the president of the Michigan strategic fund, the
- 14 chairperson of the senate finance committee, the chairperson of the
- 15 house tax policy committee, the director of the senate fiscal
- 16 agency, and the director of the house fiscal agency. The
- 17 requirements of section 28(1)(f) of 1941 PA 122, MCL 205.28, do not
- 18 apply to the disclosure required by this subsection. The taxpayer
- 19 shall attach the certificate to the annual return filed under this
- 20 part on which a credit under this section is claimed. The
- 21 certificate required under this subsection shall specify all of the
- 22 following:
- 23 (a) The total amount of investment made during the tax year by
- 24 the taxpayer in each qualified organization.
- 25 (b) The total amount of qualified investments made in each
- 26 qualified organization if different from the previous amount.
- 27 (c) The total amount of the credit under this section that the
- 28 taxpayer is allowed to claim for the designated tax year.
- 29 (3) The total amount of all credits that the Michigan



- strategic fund may certify under this section shall not exceed \$25,000,000.00.
- 3 (4) If the amount of the credit allowed under this section
- 4 exceeds the tax liability of the taxpayer for the tax year, that
- 5 portion of the credit that exceeds the tax liability of the
- 6 taxpayer for the tax year shall not be refunded but may be carried
- 7 forward to offset tax liability under this part in subsequent tax
- 8 years for a period not to exceed 5 tax years or until used up,
- 9 whichever occurs first.
- 10 (5) As used in this section:
- 11 (a) "Board" means the board of directors of the Michigan 12 strategic fund.
- 13 (b) "Community development programs, projects, and activities"
  14 means strategies to encourage small business development, provide
- 15 affordable housing, promote financial empowerment, stimulate
- 16 workforce attraction and retention, and any other strategies that
- 17 assist a distressed area within a neighborhood, community, or
- 18 commercial corridor or the low-income population who reside within
- 19 a neighborhood or community.
- 20 (c) "Community investment pilot program" means the program
- 21 established by the Michigan strategic fund pursuant to section 88s
- 22 of the Michigan strategic fund act, 1984 PA 270, MCL 125.2088s.
- 23 (d) "Community investment plan" means community development
- 24 programs, projects, and activities proposed by a qualified
- 25 organization to assist a distressed area within a neighborhood,
- 26 community, or commercial corridor or the low-income population who
- 27 reside within a neighborhood or community through qualified
- 28 investments.

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(e) "Financial institution" means that term as defined under



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- 1 section 651.
- 2 (f) "Michigan strategic fund" means the Michigan strategic
- 3 fund as described in the Michigan strategic fund act, 1984 PA 270,
- 4 MCL 125.2001 to 125.2094.
- 5 (g) "Qualified investment" means cash or cash equivalent
- 6 investment certified by the Michigan strategic fund that is
- 7 contributed to a qualified organization to promote and support
- 8 implementation of the qualified organization's community investment
- 9 plan approved by the Michigan strategic fund under the community
- 10 investment pilot program.
- 11 (h) "Qualified organization" means a nonprofit organization
- 12 that is organized under the nonprofit corporation act, 1982 PA 162,
- 13 MCL 450.2101 to 450.3192, and exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the
- 14 internal revenue code and that satisfies all of the following:
- 15 (i) Has a community investment plan approved by the Michigan
- 16 strategic fund under the community investment pilot program.
- 17 (ii) A majority of the organization's efforts are focused on
- 18 serving 1 or more specific neighborhoods or communities or a
- 19 constituency that is economically disadvantaged.
- 20 (iii) The purpose of the organization is to engage local
- 21 residents and businesses to work together to undertake community
- 22 development programs, projects, and activities.
- 23 (iv) Demonstrates to the Michigan strategic fund that the
- 24 organization's constituency, including economically disadvantaged
- 25 people, has a meaningful role in governance and direction of the
- 26 organization, which may include committees, membership meetings,
- 27 and representation on the board of directors.
- 28 (v) Is not a financial institution.
- 29 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect



- 1 unless Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_ or House Bill No. 5820 (request no.
- 2 05853'20) of the 100th Legislature is enacted into law.