

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2019 and 2020 HB5350

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 5/232 new

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Creates an income tax credit for taxpayers who plant a native plant species at their primary place of residence. Provides that the credit shall be equal to the cost of the plants and associated planting materials. Provides that the credit may not exceed \$100 per taxpayer in any taxable year. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Income Tax Act is amended by adding Section 232 as follows:
- 6 (35 ILCS 5/232 new)

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- 7 Sec. 232. Credit for planting native species.
- (a) For taxable years ending on or after December 31, 2020, 8 9 each individual taxpayer who plants a native plant species at 10 his or her primary place of residence is entitled to a credit equal to the cost of the plants and associated planting 11 materials. The credit may not exceed \$100 per taxpayer in any 12 taxable year. As used in this Section, "native plant species" 13 14 means a plant species that is indigenous to Illinois. The Department of Natural Resources shall compile a list of native 15 16 plant species that are eligible for the credit under this 17 Section and update that list on an annual basis.
 - (b) The credit under this Section may not reduce the taxpayer's liability to less than zero. If the amount of the credit or credits exceeds the taxpayer's liability, the excess may be carried forward and applied against the taxpayer's liability in the next 5 succeeding calendar years. The excess credits shall be applied to the earliest year for which there

- 1 <u>is a tax liability. If there are credits from more than one</u>
- 2 <u>taxable year that are available to offset a liability, the</u>
- 3 earlier credit shall be applied first.
- 4 (c) The Department of Revenue, in consultation with the
- 5 <u>Department of Natural Resources, shall adopt rules to</u>
- 6 <u>administer this Section.</u>
- 7 (d) This Section is exempt from the provisions of Section
- 8 <u>250.</u>
- 9 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 10 becoming law.