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Introduced 2/11/2020, by Sen. Brian W. Stewart

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 10/5-25

Amends the Economic Development for a Growing Economy Tax Credit Act. Removes provisions concerning conditions that the Business Investment Committee shall determine exist in order for the Committee to make its recommendation that an application for credit should or should not be accepted. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

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

Section 5. The Economic Development for a Growing Economy
Tax Credit Act is amended by changing Section 5-25 as follows:

6 (35 ILCS 10/5-25)

7 Sec. 5-25. Review of Application.

(a) In addition to those duties granted under the Illinois 8 9 Economic Development Board Act, the Illinois Economic Development Board shall form a Business Investment Committee 10 11 for the purpose of making recommendations for applications. At the request of the Board, the Director of Commerce and Economic 12 13 Opportunity or his or her designee, the Director of the 14 Governor's Office of Management and Budget or his or her designee, the Director of Revenue or his or her designee, the 15 16 Director of Employment Security or his or her designee, and an elected official of the affected locality, such as the chair of 17 the county board or the mayor, may serve as members of the 18 19 Committee to assist with its analysis and deliberations.

20 (b) At the Department's request, the Committee shall 21 convene, make inquiries, and conduct studies in the manner and 22 by the methods as it deems desirable, review information with 23 respect to Applicants, and make recommendations for projects to benefit the State. In making its recommendation that an Applicant's application for Credit should or should not be accepted, which shall occur within a reasonable time frame as determined by the nature of the application, the Committee shall determine that all the following conditions exist:

6 (1) The Applicant's project intends, as required by 7 subsection (b) of Section 5-20 to make the required 8 investment in the State and intends to hire the required 9 number of New Employees <u>to work at a project location</u> in 10 Illinois as a result of that project.

11 (2) The Applicant's project is economically sound and 12 will benefit the people of the State of Illinois by 13 increasing opportunities for employment and strengthen the 14 economy of Illinois.

15 (3) (Blank). That, if not for the Credit, the project 16 would not occur in Illinois, which may be demonstrated by 17 evidence that receipt of the Credit is essential to the Applicant's decision to create new jobs in the State, such 18 19 as the magnitude of the cost differential between Illinois 20 and a competing State; in addition, if the Applicant is 21 seeking an increase in the maximum amount of the Credit for 22 retained employees, the Applicant must provide evidence 23 the Applicant has multi-state location options and could reasonably and efficiently locate outside of the State or 24 demonstrate that at least one other state is being 25 26 considered for the project.

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(4) (Blank). A cost differential is identified, using 1 2 best available data, in the projected costs for the Applicant's project compared to the costs in the competing 3 state, including the impact of the competing state's 4 5 incentive programs. The competing state's incentive programs shall include state, local, private, and federal 6 funds available. 7 (5) The political subdivisions affected by the project 8 have committed local incentives with respect to the 9 10 project, considering local ability to assist. 11 (6) Awarding the Credit will result in an overall 12 positive fiscal impact to the State, as certified by the 13 Committee using the best available data. (7) The Credit is not prohibited by Section 5-35 of 14 15 this Act. 16 (Source: P.A. 100-511, eff. 9-18-17.) Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 17 18 becoming law.