102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2021 and 2022

SB1528

Introduced 2/26/2021, by Sen. Rachelle Crowe

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 5/232 new

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Creates an income tax credit for taxpayers who are caregivers of a veteran with a disability. Provides that the credit shall be in an amount equal to 5% of the costs incurred in caring for the veteran, not to exceed \$1,000 in credits in any taxable year. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

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

4 Section 5. The Illinois Income Tax Act is amended by 5 adding Section 232 as follows:

- 6 (35 ILCS 5/232 new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 232. Caregiver credit.</u>

8 <u>(a) For taxable years ending on or after December 31,</u> 9 <u>2021, each taxpayer who is an eligible caregiver of a veteran</u> 10 with a disability is entitled to a credit against the tax 11 imposed by subsections (a) and (b) of Section 201 in an amount 12 equal to 5% of the costs incurred in caring for the veteran, 13 not to exceed \$1,000 in credits in any taxable year.

14 (b) In no event shall a credit under this Section reduce a taxpayer's liability to less than zero. If the amount of 15 16 credit exceeds the tax liability for the year, the excess may be carried forward and applied to the tax liability for the 5 17 taxable years following the excess credit year. The tax credit 18 19 shall be applied to the earliest year for which there is a tax 20 liability. If there are credits for more than one year that are 21 available to offset liability, the earlier credit shall be 22 applied first.

23 (c) As used in this Section:

	"Costs	incurred"	means,	but	is	not	limited	to:
expe	enditures	s for respit	e care;	expend	iture	es for	counselir	ng or
support groups; training related to caring for a veteran with								
disability; travel costs; technology that assists in providing								
care	; and e	xpenditures	for med	ical ar	nd hy	giene	items use	ed by
the	veteran.							

7 <u>"Eligible caregiver" means a family member or paid worker</u>
8 <u>who provides care for a qualified veteran with a disability</u>
9 <u>and assists with performing the activities of daily life.</u>

10 <u>"Veteran" means an Illinois resident who has served as a</u> 11 <u>member of the United States Armed Forces on active duty or</u> 12 <u>State active duty, a member of the Illinois National Guard, or</u> 13 <u>a member of the United States Reserve Forces who has received</u> 14 <u>an honorable discharge.</u>

15 <u>"Veteran with a disability" means a veteran with a</u>
16 <u>service-connected disability, as certified by the United</u>
17 <u>States Department of Veterans Affairs.</u>

18 (d) This Section is exempt from the provisions of Section
19 250.

20 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon 21 becoming law.

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