

## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 SB1864

Introduced 2/26/2021, by Sen. Jason A. Barickman

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 10/5-10

Amends the Economic Development for a Growing Economy Tax Credit Act. Provides that, upon the issuance of a disaster proclamation by the Governor covering the location of Taxpayer that is party to an Agreement, the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity may modify or restructure the Agreement in a manner that includes, but is not limited to, the temporary modification of the job creation or retention requirements of the Agreement to provide that the Taxpayer will not be considered to be out of compliance with the Agreement so long as the Taxpayer maintains at least 85% of the job creation and retention requirements of the Agreement or a lesser percentage that the Department determines is warranted by the Taxpayer's particular circumstances. 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:

- 4 Section 5. The Economic Development for a Growing Economy
- 5 Tax Credit Act is amended by changing Section 5-10 as follows:
- 6 (35 ILCS 10/5-10)
- 7 Sec. 5-10. Powers of the Department. The Department, in
- 8 addition to those powers granted under the Civil
- 9 Administrative Code of Illinois, is granted and shall have all
- 10 the powers necessary or convenient to carry out and effectuate
- 11 the purposes and provisions of this Act, including, but not
- 12 limited to, power and authority to:
- 13 (a) Promulgate procedures, rules, or regulations deemed
- 14 necessary and appropriate for the administration of the
- 15 programs; establish forms for applications, notifications,
- 16 contracts, or any other agreements; and accept applications at
- any time during the year.
- 18 (b) Provide and assist Taxpayers pursuant to the
- 19 provisions of this Act, and cooperate with Taxpayers that are
- 20 parties to Agreements to promote, foster, and support economic
- 21 development, capital investment, and job creation or retention
- 22 within the State.
- 23 (c) Enter into agreements and memoranda of understanding

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- for participation of and engage in cooperation with agencies of the federal government, local units of government, universities, research foundations or institutions, regional economic development corporations, or other organizations for the purposes of this Act.
- (d) Gather information and conduct inquiries, in the
  manner and by the methods as it deems desirable, including
  without limitation, gathering information with respect to
  Applicants for the purpose of making any designations or
  certifications necessary or desirable or to gather information
  to assist the Committee with any recommendation or guidance in

the furtherance of the purposes of this Act.

(e) Establish, negotiate and effectuate any term, agreement or other document with any person, necessary or appropriate to accomplish the purposes of this Act; and to consent, subject to the provisions of any Agreement with another party, to the modification or restructuring of any Agreement to which the Department is a party.

19 Upon the issuance of a disaster proclamation by the 20 Governor under Section 7 of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act covering the location of Taxpayer that is party to 21 22 an Agreement, the Department shall have the authority to 23 modify or restructure that Agreement in a manner that 24 includes, but is not limited to, the temporary modification of 25 the job creation or retention requirements of the Agreement to provide that the Taxpayer will not be considered to be out of 26

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compliance with the <u>Agreement so long as the Taxpayer</u> maintains at least 85% of the job creation and retention requirements of the Agreement or a lesser percentage that the Department determines is warranted by the Taxpayer's particular circumstances. In the case of such a disaster proclamation, the Taxpayer shall not be out of compliance with a job creation or retention requirement because some or all of its employees are required or allowed to work remotely, so long as the base of operations for such employees remains the location of the Taxpayer that is the subject of the Agreement. The temporary modification of the job creation or retention requirements or other provisions of the Agreement shall be effective from the date of the disaster proclamation and any subsequent disaster proclamations issued during the 12 months after the expiration of the final disaster proclamation. During the modification period, the Department will award the credit for the actual number of jobs created or retained in the modification period. The Department will not find a Taxpayer out of compliance with an Agreement on the basis of a failure to maintain the job creation or retention requirements of an Agreement so long as the 85% level of job creation or retention is maintained during the modification period. This amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly is declaratory of existing law.

(f) Fix, determine, charge, and collect any premiums, fees, charges, costs, and expenses from Applicants, including,

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- without limitation, any application fees, commitment fees, program fees, financing charges, or publication fees as deemed appropriate to pay expenses necessary or incident to the administration, staffing, or operation in connection with the Department's or Committee's activities under this Act, or for preparation, implementation, and enforcement of the terms of the Agreement, or for consultation, advisory and legal fees, and other costs; however, all fees and expenses incident thereto shall be the responsibility of the Applicant.
  - (a) Provide for sufficient personnel to administration, staffing, operation, and related support required adequately discharge its to duties and responsibilities described in this Act from funds available through charges to Applicants or from funds as may be appropriated by the General Assembly for the administration of this Act.
  - (h) Require Applicants, upon written request, to issue any necessary authorization to the appropriate federal, state, or local authority for the release of information concerning a project being considered under the provisions of this Act, with the information requested to include, but not be limited to, financial reports, returns, or records relating to the Taxpayers' or its project.
- (i) Require that a Taxpayer shall at all times keep proper books of record and account in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied, with the

- 1 books, records, or papers related to the Agreement in the
- 2 custody or control of the Taxpayer open for reasonable
- 3 Department inspection and audits, and including, without
- 4 limitation, the making of copies of the books, records, or
- 5 papers, and the inspection or appraisal of any of the Taxpayer
- 6 or project assets.
- 7 (j) Take whatever actions are necessary or appropriate to
- 8 protect the State's interest in the event of bankruptcy,
- 9 default, foreclosure, or noncompliance with the terms and
- 10 conditions of financial assistance or participation required
- 11 under this Act, including the power to sell, dispose, lease,
- or rent, upon terms and conditions determined by the Director
- 13 to be appropriate, real or personal property that the
- 14 Department may receive as a result of these actions.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 91-476, eff. 8-11-99.)
- 16 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 17 becoming law.