

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2007 and 2008 HB0583

Introduced 2/5/2007, by Rep. William B. Black

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 5/211 35 ILCS 10/5-20 35 ILCS 10/5-45

Amends the Economic Development for a Growing Economy Tax Credit Act. Provides that the duration of the credit may not exceed 15 (now, 10) taxable years. In provisions setting forth requirements for applicants for the credit, provides that for projects determined to be eligible because they meet the investment and new employee criteria established by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, the Department shall approve those that will provide a return on the State's investment. Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act to make the commensurate change extending the duration of the credit to 15 years. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY 1 AN ACT in relation to taxes.

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 changing Section 211 as follows:
- 6 (35 ILCS 5/211)
- Sec. 211. Economic Development for a Growing Economy Tax 8 Credit. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1999, a 9 Taxpayer who has entered into an Agreement under the Economic Development for a Growing Economy Tax Credit Act is entitled to 10 a credit against the taxes imposed under subsections (a) and 11 (b) of Section 201 of this Act in an amount to be determined in 12 13 the Agreement. If the Taxpayer is a partnership or Subchapter S 14 corporation, the credit shall be allowed to the partners or shareholders in accordance with the determination of income and 15 16 distributive share of income under Sections 702 and 704 and 17 subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code. The Department, in cooperation with the Department of Commerce and Economic 18 19 Opportunity, shall prescribe rules to enforce and administer the provisions of this Section. This Section is exempt from the 20 21 provisions of Section 250 of this Act.
- The credit shall be subject to the conditions set forth in the Agreement and the following limitations:

- 1 (1) The tax credit shall not exceed the Incremental
 2 Income Tax (as defined in Section 5-5 of the Economic
 3 Development for a Growing Economy Tax Credit Act) with
 4 respect to the project.
 - (2) The amount of the credit allowed during the tax year plus the sum of all amounts allowed in prior years shall not exceed 100% of the aggregate amount expended by the Taxpayer during all prior tax years on approved costs defined by Agreement.
 - (3) The amount of the credit shall be determined on an annual basis. Except as applied in a carryover year pursuant to Section 211(4) of this Act, the credit may not be applied against any State income tax liability in more than 15 10 taxable years; provided, however, that (i) an eligible business certified by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity under the Corporate Headquarters Relocation Act may not apply the credit against any of its State income tax liability in more than 15 taxable years and (ii) credits allowed to that eligible business are subject to the conditions and requirements set forth in Sections 5-35 and 5-45 of the Economic Development for a Growing Economy Tax Credit Act.
 - (4) The credit may not exceed the amount of taxes imposed pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) of Section 201 of this Act. Any credit that is unused in the year the credit is computed may be carried forward and applied to

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the tax liability of the 5 taxable years following the excess credit year. The credit shall be applied to the earliest year for which there is a tax liability. If there are credits from more than one tax year that are available to offset a liability, the earlier credit shall be applied first.

- (5) No credit shall be allowed with respect to any for any taxable year ending Agreement after the Noncompliance Date. Upon receiving notification by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity of noncompliance of a Taxpayer with an Agreement, the Department shall notify the Taxpayer that no credit is allowed with respect to that Agreement for any taxable year ending after the Noncompliance Date, as stated in such notification. If any credit has been allowed with respect to an Agreement for a taxable year ending after the Noncompliance Date for that Agreement, any refund paid to the Taxpayer for that taxable year shall, to the extent of that credit allowed, be an erroneous refund within the meaning of Section 912 of this Act.
- (6) For purposes of this Section, the terms "Agreement", "Incremental Income Tax", and "Noncompliance Date" have the same meaning as when used in the Economic Development for a Growing Economy Tax Credit Act.
- (Source: P.A. 94-793, eff. 5-19-06.)

- 1 Section 10. The Economic Development for a Growing Economy
- 2 Tax Credit Act is amended by changing Sections 5-20 and 5-45 as
- 3 follows:
- 4 (35 ILCS 10/5-20)
- Sec. 5-20. Application for a project to create and retain
- 6 new jobs.
- 7 (a) Any Taxpayer proposing a project located or planned to
- 8 be located in Illinois may request consideration for
- 9 designation of its project, by formal written letter of request
- or by formal application to the Department, in which the
- 11 Applicant states its intent to make at least a specified level
- of investment and intends to hire or retain a specified number
- of full-time employees at a designated location in Illinois. As
- 14 circumstances require, the Department may require a formal
- 15 application from an Applicant and a formal letter of request
- 16 for assistance.
- 17 (b) In order to qualify for Credits under this Act, an
- 18 Applicant's project must:
- 19 (1) involve an investment of at least \$5,000,000 in
- capital improvements to be placed in service and to employ
- 21 at least 25 New Employees within the State as a direct
- 22 result of the project;
- 23 (2) involve an investment of at least an amount (to be
- 24 expressly specified by the Department and the Committee) in
- 25 capital improvements to be placed in service and will

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- employ at least an amount (to be expressly specified by the

 Department and the Committee) of New Employees within the

 State, provided that the Department and the Committee have

 determined that the project will provide a substantial

 economic benefit to the State; or
 - (3) if the applicant has 100 or fewer employees, involve an investment of at least \$1,000,000 in capital improvements to be placed in service and to employ at least 5 New Employees within the State and that the State will receive a return on its investment as a direct result of the project.
- 12 (c) After receipt of an application, the Department may 13 enter into an Agreement with the Applicant if the application 14 is accepted in accordance with Section 5-25.
- 15 (Source: P.A. 93-882, eff. 1-1-05.)
- 16 (35 ILCS 10/5-45)
- 17 Sec. 5-45. Amount and duration of the credit.
- 18 (a) The Department shall determine the amount and duration
 19 of the credit awarded under this Act. The duration of the
 20 credit may not exceed 15 10 taxable years. The credit may be
 21 stated as a percentage of the Incremental Income Tax
 22 attributable to the applicant's project and may include a fixed
 23 dollar limitation.
- 24 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), and except as the 25 credit may be applied in a carryover year pursuant to Section

- 1 211(4) of the Illinois Income Tax Act, the credit may be
- 2 applied against the State income tax liability in more than 10
- 3 taxable years but not in more than 15 taxable years for an
- 4 eligible business that (i) qualifies under this Act and the
- 5 Corporate Headquarters Relocation Act and has in fact
- 6 undertaken a qualifying project within the time frame specified
- 7 by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity under
- 8 that Act, and (ii) applies against its State income tax
- 9 liability, during the entire 15-year period, no more than 60%
- 10 of the maximum credit per year that would otherwise be
- 11 available under this Act.
- 12 (Source: P.A. 94-793, eff. 5-19-06.)
- 13 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 14 becoming law.