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AN ACT

To repeal sections 100.710, 100.840, 100.850, and 178.892, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof eight new sections relating to job retention programs in the department of economic development, with contingent expiration dates.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 100.710, 100.840, 100.850, and 178.892, RSMo, are repealed and eight new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 100.710, 100.840, 100.850, 135.290, 135.291, 135.292, 135.293, and 178.892, to read as follows:

100.710. As used in sections 100.700 to 100.850, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Assessment", an amount of up to five percent of the gross wages paid in one year by an eligible industry to all eligible employees in new jobs, or up to ten percent if the economic development project is located within a distressed community as defined in section 135.530, RSMo;
- (2) "Board", the Missouri development finance board as created by section 100.265;
- (3) "Certificates", the revenue bonds or notes authorized to be issued by the board pursuant to section 100.840;
- (4) "Credit", the amount agreed to between the board and an eligible industry, but not to exceed the assessment attributable to the eligible industry's project;
- (5) "Department", the Missouri department of economic development;
- (6) "Director", the director of the department of economic development;

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law. Matter in boldface type in the above law is proposed language.

13 (7) "Economic development project":

14 (a) The acquisition of any real property by the board, the eligible industry, or its affiliate;

15 or

16 (b) The fee ownership of real property by the eligible industry or its affiliate; and

17 (c) For both paragraphs (a) and (b) of subdivision (7) of this section, "economic
18 development project" shall also include the development of the real property including
19 construction, installation, or equipping of a project, including fixtures and equipment, and
20 facilities necessary or desirable for improvement of the real property, including surveys; site tests
21 and inspections; subsurface site work; excavation; removal of structures, roadways, cemeteries
22 and other surface obstructions; filling, grading and provision of drainage, storm water retention,
23 installation of utilities such as water, sewer, sewage treatment, gas, electricity, communications
24 and similar facilities; off-site construction of utility extensions to the boundaries of the real
25 property; and the acquisition, installation, or equipping of facilities on the real property, for use
26 and occupancy by the eligible industry or its affiliates;

27 (8) "Eligible employee", a person employed on a full-time basis in a new job at the
28 economic development project averaging at least thirty-five hours per week who was not
29 employed by the eligible industry or a related taxpayer in this state at any time during the
30 twelve-month period immediately prior to being employed at the economic development project.
31 **For an essential industry, a person employed on a full-time basis in an existing job at the**
32 **economic development project averaging at least thirty-five hours per week may be**
33 **considered an eligible employee for the purposes of the program authorized by sections**
34 **100.700 to 100.850;**

35 (9) "Eligible industry", a business located within the state of Missouri which is engaged
36 in interstate or intrastate commerce for the purpose of manufacturing, processing or assembling
37 products, conducting research and development, or providing services in interstate commerce,
38 office industries, or agricultural processing, but excluding retail, health or professional services.
39 "Eligible industry" does not include a business which closes or substantially reduces its operation
40 at one location in the state and relocates substantially the same operation to another location in
41 the state. This does not prohibit a business from expanding its operations at another location in
42 the state provided that existing operations of a similar nature located within the state are not
43 closed or substantially reduced. This also does not prohibit a business from moving its
44 operations from one location in the state to another location in the state for the purpose of
45 expanding such operation provided that the board determines that such expansion cannot
46 reasonably be accommodated within the municipality in which such business is located, or in the
47 case of a business located in an incorporated area of the county, within the county in which such
48 business is located, after conferring with the chief elected official of such municipality or county

49 and taking into consideration any evidence offered by such municipality or county regarding the
50 ability to accommodate such expansion within such municipality or county. An eligible industry
51 must:

52 (a) Invest a minimum of fifteen million dollars, or ten million dollars for an office
53 industry, in an economic development project; and

54 (b) Create a minimum of one hundred new jobs for eligible employees at the economic
55 development project or a minimum of five hundred jobs if the economic development project
56 is an office industry or a minimum of two hundred new jobs if the economic development project
57 is an office industry located within a distressed community as defined in section 135.530, RSMo.

58 **An industry that meets the definition of "essential industry" may be considered an eligible
59 industry for the purposes of the program authorized by sections 100.700 to 100.850;**

60 (10) **"Essential industry", a business that otherwise meets the definition of eligible
61 industry, except that an essential industry shall:**

62 (a) **Be a targeted industry;**

63 (b) **Be located in a home rule city with more than twenty-six thousand but less than
64 twenty-seven thousand inhabitants that is located in any county with a charter form of
65 government and with more than one million inhabitants;**

66 (c) **Have maintained at least two thousand jobs at the proposed economic
67 development project site each year for a period of four years preceding the year in which
68 application for the program authorized by sections 100.700 to 100.850 is made and during
69 the year in which the application is made;**

70 (d) **For the duration of the certificates, retain at the proposed economic
71 development project site the level of employment that existed at the site in the taxable year
72 immediately preceding the year in which application for the program authorized by
73 sections 100.700 to 100.850 is made; and**

74 (e) **Invest a minimum of five hundred million dollars in the economic development
75 project by the end of the third year after the issuance of the certificates pursuant to this
76 program;**

77 (11) **"New job", a job in a new or expanding eligible industry not including jobs of
78 recalled workers, replacement jobs or jobs that formerly existed in the eligible industry in the
79 state. For an essential industry, an existing job may be considered a new job for the
80 purposes of the program authorized by sections 100.700 to 100.850;**

81 [(11)] (12) **"Office industry", a regional, national or international headquarters, a
82 telecommunications operation, a computer operation, an insurance company, or a credit card
83 billing and processing center;**

84 [(12)] (13) **"Program costs", all necessary and incidental costs of providing program**

85 services including payment of the principal of premium, if any, and interest on certificates,
86 including capitalized interest, issued to finance a project, and funding and maintenance of a debt
87 service reserve fund to secure such certificates. Program costs shall include:

88 (a) Obligations incurred for labor and obligations incurred to contractors, subcontractors,
89 builders and materialmen in connection with the acquisition, construction, installation or
90 equipping of an economic development project;

91 (b) The cost of acquiring land or rights in land and any cost incidental thereto, including
92 recording fees;

93 (c) The cost of contract bonds and of insurance of all kinds that may be required or
94 necessary during the course of acquisition, construction, installation or equipping of an economic
95 development project which is not paid by the contractor or contractors or otherwise provided for;

96 (d) All costs of architectural and engineering services, including test borings, surveys,
97 estimates, plans and specifications, preliminary investigations and supervision of construction,
98 as well as the costs for the performance of all the duties required by or consequent upon the
99 acquisition, construction, installation or equipping of an economic development project;

100 (e) All costs which are required to be paid under the terms of any contract or contracts
101 for the acquisition, construction, installation or equipping of an economic development project;
102 and

103 (f) All other costs of a nature comparable to those described in this subdivision;

104 [(13)] (14) "Program services", administrative expenses of the board, including
105 contracted professional services, and the cost of issuance of certificates;

106 (15) "Targeted industry", an industry or one of a cluster of industries that is
107 identified by the department as critical to the state's economic security and growth and
108 affirmed as such by the joint committee on economic development policy and planning
109 established in section 620.602, RSMo.

100.840. 1. To provide funds for the present payment of the costs of economic
2 development projects, the board may borrow money and issue and sell certificates payable from
3 a sufficient portion of the future receipts of payments authorized by the agreement. [The total
4 amount of outstanding certificates sold by the board shall not exceed seventy-five million
5 dollars.] The receipts shall be pledged to the payment of principal of and interest on the
6 certificates. Certificates may be sold at public sale or at private sale at par, premium, or discount
7 of not less than ninety-five percent of the par value thereof, at the discretion of the board, and
8 may bear interest at such rate or rates as the board shall determine, notwithstanding the
9 provisions of section 108.170, RSMo, to the contrary. Certificates may be issued with respect
10 to a single project or multiple projects and may contain terms or conditions as the board may
11 provide by resolution authorizing the issuance of the certificates.

12 2. Certificates issued to refund other certificates may be sold at public sale or at private
13 sale as provided in this section with the proceeds from the sale to be used for the payment of the
14 certificates being refunded. The refunding certificates may be exchanged in payment and
15 discharge of the certificates being refunded, in installments at different times or an entire issue
16 or series at one time. Refunding certificates may be sold or exchanged at any time on, before,
17 or after the maturity of the outstanding certificates to be refunded. Certificates may be issued
18 for the purpose of refunding a like, greater or lesser principal amount of certificates and may bear
19 a higher, lower or equivalent rate of interest than the certificates being renewed or refunded.

20 3. The board shall determine if revenues provided in the agreement are sufficient to
21 secure the faithful performance of obligations in the agreement.

22 4. Certificates issued pursuant to this section shall not be deemed to be an indebtedness
23 of the state or the board or of any political subdivision of the state.

100.850. 1. The approved company shall remit to the board a job development
2 assessment fee, not to exceed five percent of the gross wages of each eligible employee whose
3 job was created as a result of the economic development project, or not to exceed ten percent if
4 the economic development project is located within a distressed community as defined in
5 section 135.530, RSMo, for the purpose of retiring bonds which fund the economic development
6 project.

7 2. Any approved company remitting an assessment as provided in subsection 1 of this
8 section shall make its payroll books and records available to the board at such reasonable times
9 as the board shall request and shall file with the board documentation respecting the assessment
10 as the board may require.

11 3. Any assessment remitted pursuant to subsection 1 of this section shall cease on the
12 date the bonds are retired.

13 4. Any approved company which has paid an assessment for debt reduction shall be
14 allowed a tax credit equal to the amount of the assessment. The tax credit may be claimed
15 against taxes otherwise imposed by chapters 143 and 148, RSMo, except withholding taxes
16 imposed [under the provisions of] **pursuant to** sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, which were
17 incurred during the tax period in which the assessment was made.

18 5. **In no event shall the aggregate amount of tax credits authorized by this section**
19 **exceed eleven million dollars annually.**

20 6. The director of revenue shall issue a refund to the approved company to the extent that
21 the amount of credits allowed in subsection 4 of this section exceed the amount of the approved
22 company's income tax.

135.290. As used in sections 135.290 to 135.293, the following terms mean:

2 **(1) "Continuation of commercial operations", shall be deemed to occur during the**

- 3 first taxable year following the taxable year during which the business entered into an
4 agreement with the department pursuant to section 135.293 in order to receive the tax
5 exemption, tax credits, and refundable credits authorized by sections 135.290 to 135.293;
- 6 (2) "Department", the department of economic development;
- 7 (3) "Director", the director of the department of economic development;
- 8 (4) "Enterprise zone", an enterprise zone created pursuant to section 135.210 that
9 includes all or part of a home rule city with more than twenty-six thousand but less than
10 twenty-seven thousand inhabitants that is located in any county with a charter form of
11 government and with more than one million inhabitants;
- 12 (5) "Facility", any building used as a revenue-producing enterprise located within
13 an enterprise zone, including the land on which the facility is located and all machinery,
14 equipment, and other real and depreciable tangible personal property acquired for use at
15 and located at or within such facility and used in connection with the operation of such
16 facility;
- 17 (6) "NAICS", the industrial classification as such classifications are defined in the
18 1997 edition of the North American Industrial Classification System Manual as prepared
19 by the Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget;
- 20 (7) "Retained business facility", a facility in an enterprise zone operated by the
21 taxpayer which satisfies the following requirements as determined by the department and
22 included in an agreement with the department:
- 23 (a) The taxpayer agrees to a capital investment project at the facility of at least five
24 hundred million dollars to take place over a period of two consecutive taxable years ending
25 no later than the fifth taxable year after continuation of commercial operations;
- 26 (b) The taxpayer has maintained at least two thousand employees per year at the
27 facility for each of the five taxable years preceding the year of continuation of commercial
28 operations;
- 29 (c) The taxpayer agrees to maintain at least the level of employment that it had at
30 the facility in the taxable year immediately preceding the year of continuation of
31 commercial operations for ten consecutive taxable years beginning with the year of the
32 continuation of commercial operations. Temporary layoffs necessary to implement the
33 capital investment project will not be considered a violation of this requirement;
- 34 (d) The taxpayer agrees that the amount of the average wage paid by the taxpayer
35 at the facility will exceed the average wage paid within the county in which the facility is
36 located for ten consecutive taxable years beginning with the year of the continuation of
37 commercial operations;
- 38 (e) Significant local incentives with respect to the project or retained facility have

39 been committed, which incentives may consist of:

40 a. Cash or in-kind incentives derived from any nonstate source, including incentives
41 provided by the affected political subdivisions, private industry or local chambers of
42 commerce or similar such organizations; or

43 b. Relief from local taxes;

44 (f) Receiving the tax exemption, tax credits, and refunds is a major factor in the
45 taxpayer's decision to retain its operations at the facility in Missouri and go forward with
46 the capital investment project, and not receiving the exemption, credits, and refunds will
47 result in the taxpayer moving its operations out of Missouri; and

48 (g) There is at least one other state that the taxpayer verifies is being considered as
49 the site to which the facility's operations will be relocated;

50 (8) "Retained business facility employee", a person employed by the taxpayer in
51 the operation of a retained business facility during the taxable year for which the credit
52 allowed by section 135.291 is claimed, except that truck drivers and rail and barge vehicle
53 operators shall not constitute retained business facility employees. A person shall be
54 deemed to be so employed if such person performs duties in connection with the operation
55 of the retained business facility on a regular, full-time basis. The number of retained
56 business facility employees during any taxable year shall be determined by dividing by
57 twelve the sum of the number of individuals employed on the last business day of each
58 month of such taxable year. If the retained business facility is in operation for less than
59 the entire taxable year, the number of retained business facility employees shall be
60 determined by dividing the sum of the number of individuals employed on the last business
61 day of each full calendar month during the portion of such taxable year during which the
62 retained business facility was in operation by the number of full calendar months during
63 such period;

64 (9) "Retained business facility income", the Missouri taxable income, as defined in
65 chapter 143, RSMo, derived by the taxpayer from the operation of the retained business
66 facility. If a taxpayer has income derived from the operation of a retained business facility
67 as well as from other activities conducted within this state, the Missouri taxable income
68 derived by the taxpayer from the operation of the retained business facility shall be
69 determined by multiplying the taxpayer's Missouri taxable income, computed in
70 accordance with chapter 143, RSMo, by a fraction, the numerator of which is the property
71 factor, as defined in paragraph (a) of this subdivision, plus the payroll factor, as defined
72 in paragraph (b) of this subdivision, and the denominator of which is two:

73 (a) The "property factor" is a fraction, the numerator of which is the retained
74 business facility investment certified for the tax period, and the denominator of which is

75 the average value of all the taxpayer's real and depreciable tangible personal property
76 owned or rented and used in this state during the tax period. The average value of all such
77 property shall be determined as provided in chapter 32, RSMo;

78 (b) The "payroll factor" is a fraction, the numerator of which is the total amount
79 paid during the tax period by the taxpayer for compensation to persons qualifying as
80 retained business facility employees at the retained business facility, and the denominator
81 of which is the total amount paid in this state during the tax period by the taxpayer for
82 compensation. The compensation paid in this state shall be determined as provided in
83 chapter 32, RSMo;

84 (10) "Retained business facility investment", the value of real and depreciable
85 tangible personal property, acquired by the taxpayer as part of the retained business
86 facility after the date of continuation of commercial operations, which is used by the
87 taxpayer in the operation of the retained business facility, during the taxable year for
88 which the credit allowed by section 135.291 is claimed, except that trucks, truck-trailers,
89 truck semitrailers, rail vehicles, barge vehicles, aircraft and other rolling stock for hire,
90 track, switches, barges, bridges, tunnels, and rail yards and spurs shall not constitute
91 retained business facility investments. The total value of such property during such
92 taxable year shall be:

93 (a) Its original cost if owned by the taxpayer; or

94 (b) Eight times the net annual rental rate, if leased by the taxpayer. The net annual
95 rental rate shall be the annual rental rate paid by the taxpayer less any annual rental rate
96 received by the taxpayer from subrentals. The retained business facility investment shall
97 be determined by dividing by twelve the sum of the total value of such property on the last
98 business day of each calendar month of the taxable year. If the retained business facility
99 is in operation for less than an entire taxable year, the retained business facility investment
100 shall be determined by dividing the sum of the total value of such property on the last
101 business day of each full calendar month during the portion of such taxable year during
102 which the retained business facility was in operation by the number of full calendar
103 months during such period;

104 (11) "Revenue-producing enterprise", manufacturing activities classified as NAICS
105 336211.

135.291. 1. Notwithstanding any provision in chapter 143, RSMo, to the contrary,
2 one-half of the Missouri taxable income attributed to an approved retained business facility
3 that is earned by a taxpayer operating the approved retained business facility may be
4 exempt from taxation pursuant to chapter 143, RSMo. That portion of income attributed
5 to the retained business facility shall be determined in a manner prescribed in paragraph

6 (b) of subdivision (9) of section 135.290, except that compensation paid to truck drivers,
7 or rail or barge vehicle operators shall be excluded from the fraction.

8 2. Any taxpayer that operates an approved retained business facility in an
9 enterprise zone may be allowed a credit, each year for ten years, in an amount determined
10 pursuant to subsection 3 or 4 of this section, whichever is applicable, against the tax
11 imposed in chapter 143, RSMo, excluding withholding tax imposed in sections 143.191 to
12 143.265, RSMo, as follows:

13 (1) The credit allowed for each retained business facility employee shall be four
14 hundred dollars, except that for each retained business facility employee that exceeds the
15 level of employment set forth in paragraph (b) of subdivision (7) of section 135.290, the
16 credit shall be five hundred dollars. Transfers from another facility operated by the
17 taxpayer in the state will not count as retained business facility employees;

18 (2) An additional credit of four hundred dollars shall be granted for each
19 twelve-month period that a retained business facility employee is a resident of an enterprise
20 zone;

21 (3) An additional credit of four hundred dollars shall be granted for each
22 twelve-month period that the person employed as a retained business facility employee is
23 a person who, at the time of such employment by the new business facility, met the criteria
24 as set forth in section 135.240;

25 (4) To the extent that expenses incurred by a retained business facility in an
26 enterprise zone for the training of persons employed in the operation of the retained
27 business facility is not covered by an existing federal, state, or local program, such retained
28 business facility shall be eligible for a full tax credit equal to eighty percent of that portion
29 of such training expenses which are in excess of four hundred dollars for each trainee who
30 is a resident of an enterprise zone or who was at the time of such employment at the
31 retained business facility unemployable or difficult to employ as defined in section 135.240,
32 provided such credit shall not exceed four hundred dollars for each employee trained;

33 (5) The credit allowed for retained business facility investment shall be equal to the
34 sum of ten percent of the first ten thousand dollars of such qualifying investment, plus five
35 percent of the next ninety thousand dollars of such qualifying investment, plus two percent
36 of all remaining qualifying investments within an enterprise zone. The taxpayer's retained
37 business facility investment shall be reduced by the amount of investment made by the
38 taxpayer or related taxpayer which was subsequently transferred to the retained business
39 facility from another Missouri facility and for which credits authorized in this section are
40 not being earned.

41 3. The credits allowed in subsection 2 of this section shall offset the greater of:

42 **(1) Some portion of the income tax otherwise imposed in chapter 143, RSMo,**
43 **excluding withholding tax imposed in sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, with respect to**
44 **such taxpayer's retained business facility income for the taxable year for which such credit**
45 **is allowed; or**

46 **(2) If the taxpayer operates no other facility in Missouri, the credits allowed in**
47 **subsection 2 of this section shall offset up to fifty percent or, in the case of an economic**
48 **development project located in a distressed community as defined in section 135.530,**
49 **seventy-five percent of the business income tax otherwise imposed in chapter 143, RSMo,**
50 **excluding withholding tax imposed in sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, if the business**
51 **operates no other facilities in Missouri;**

52 **(3) If the taxpayer operates more than one facility in Missouri, the credits allowed**
53 **in subsection 2 of this section shall offset up to the greater of the portion prescribed in**
54 **subdivision (1) of this subsection or twenty-five percent or, in the case of an economic**
55 **development project located within a distressed community as defined in section 135.530,**
56 **thirty-five percent of the business' tax, except that no taxpayer operating more than one**
57 **facility in Missouri shall be allowed to offset more than twenty-five percent or, in the case**
58 **of an economic development project located within a distressed community as defined in**
59 **section 135.530, thirty-five percent of the taxpayer's business income tax in any tax period**
60 **pursuant to the method prescribed in this subdivision.**

61 **4. In the case where a person employed by the retained business facility is a**
62 **resident of the enterprise zone for less than a twelve-month period, or in the case where a**
63 **person employed as a retained business facility employee is a person who, at the time of**
64 **such employment by the retained business facility, met the criteria as set forth in section**
65 **135.240, is employed for less than a twelve-month period, the credits allowed by**
66 **subdivisions (2) and (3) of subsection 2 of this section shall be determined by multiplying**
67 **the dollar amount of the credit by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of**
68 **calendar days during the taxpayer's tax year for which such credits are claimed, in which**
69 **the person met the requirements prescribed in subdivision (2) or (3) of subsection 2 of this**
70 **section and the denominator of which is three hundred sixty-five;**

71 **5. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any taxpayer who claims**
72 **the exemption and credits allowed in sections 135.290 to 135.293, shall not be eligible to**
73 **receive the exemption allowed in section 135.220, the credits allowed in sections 135.225**
74 **and 135.235, and the refund authorized by section 135.245 or the tax credits allowed in**
75 **section 135.110. The taxpayer shall elect among the options. To perfect the election, the**
76 **taxpayer shall attach written notification of such election to the taxpayer's initial**
77 **application for claiming tax credits. The election shall be irreversible once perfected.**

78 **6. A taxpayer shall not receive the income exemption described in subsection 1 of**
79 **this section and the tax credits described in subsection 2 of this section for any year in**
80 **which the terms and conditions of sections 135.290 to 135.293 are not met. Such incentives**
81 **shall not exceed the fifteen-year limitation pursuant to subsection 1 of section 135.230 or**
82 **the seven-year limitation pursuant to subsection 5 of section 135.230.**

83 **7. The initial application for claiming tax credits must be made in the taxpayer's**
84 **tax period immediately following the tax period in which commencement of commercial**
85 **operations began at the new business facility.**

86 **8. Credits may not be carried forward but shall be claimed for the taxable year**
87 **during which continuation of commercial operations occurs at such retained business**
88 **facility, and for each of the nine succeeding taxable years.**

135.292. 1. Any taxpayer operating an approved retained business facility that is
2 **located within a state enterprise zone established pursuant to sections 135.200 to 135.256**
3 **may make an application to the department of economic development for an income tax**
4 **refund.**

5 **2. Such refunds shall be approved only if the amount of tax credits certified for the**
6 **taxpayer in the taxable year exceeded the company's total Missouri tax on taxable income**
7 **in that year by an amount equal to at least one million dollars. In such cases, a portion of**
8 **tax credits earned shall constitute an overpayment of taxes and may be refunded to the**
9 **taxpayer in the manner authorized by this section.**

10 **3. The department shall evaluate and may approve such applications based upon**
11 **the importance of the approved retained business facility to the economy of Missouri, the**
12 **company's investment of at least five hundred million dollars in facilities or equipment,**
13 **and the number of jobs to be created or retained. Such applications may be approved**
14 **annually for no longer than five successive years. The maximum amount of refund that**
15 **may be awarded to the manufacturer or assembler shall not exceed two million dollars per**
16 **year. Notwithstanding other provisions of law to the contrary, if the taxpayer's tax credits**
17 **issued pursuant to sections 135.290 to 135.293 for a taxable year exceed the taxpayer's**
18 **taxable income by more than two million dollars the credits may be carried forward for**
19 **five years or until used, whichever is earlier, and may be included in refund amounts**
20 **otherwise authorized by this section.**

135.293. 1. A taxpayer shall apply to the department for approval to participate
2 **in the program authorized by sections 135.290 to 135.293. The application shall be in a**
3 **form prescribed by and contain all information requested by the department to determine**
4 **eligibility for the program and for the department to make its decision whether to approve**
5 **the taxpayer for participation in the program.**

6 **2. The department may issue an approval contingent upon the successful execution**
7 **of an agreement between the department and the taxpayer seeking approval of a facility**
8 **as a retained business facility which shall include, but not be limited to, the following:**

- 9 **(1) A detailed description of the project that is the subject of the agreement;**
10 **(2) A requirement that the taxpayer shall annually report to the department the**
11 **total amount of salaries and wages paid to eligible employees in retained business facility**
12 **jobs, and any other information the department requires to confirm compliance with the**
13 **requirements of sections 135.290 to 135.293;**
14 **(3) A requirement that the taxpayer shall provide written notification to the**
15 **director not more than thirty days after the taxpayer makes or receives a proposal that**
16 **would transfer the taxpayer's state tax liability obligations to a successor taxpayer;**
17 **(4) A requirement that the taxpayer shall maintain operations at the facility**
18 **location for at least ten years at a certain employment level;**
19 **(5) The requirements otherwise required by sections 135.290 to 135.293; and**
20 **(6) A provision for repayment of incentives upon breach of the agreement.**

178.892. As used in sections 178.892 to 178.896, the following terms mean:

- 2 (1) "Agreement", the agreement, between an employer and a junior college district,
3 concerning a project. An agreement may be for a period not to exceed ten years when the
4 program services associated with a project are not in excess of five hundred thousand dollars.
5 For a project where associated program costs are greater than five hundred thousand dollars, the
6 agreement may not exceed a period of eight years. No agreement shall be entered into between
7 an employer and a community college district which involves the training of potential employees
8 with the purpose of replacing or supplanting employees engaged in an authorized work stoppage;
9 (2) "Board of trustees", the board of trustees of a junior college district;
10 (3) "Certificate", industrial new jobs training certificates issued pursuant to section
11 178.895;
12 (4) "Date of commencement of the project", the date of the agreement;
13 (5) "Employee", the person employed in a new job;
14 (6) "Employer", the person providing new jobs in conjunction with a project;
15 (7) **"Essential industry", a business that otherwise meets the definition of**
16 **"industry", but that creates new jobs instead of maintaining jobs. To be an essential**
17 **industry, the business shall have maintained at least two thousand jobs each year for a**
18 **period of four years preceding the year in which application for the program authorized**
19 **by sections 178.892 to 178.896 is made and shall be located in a home rule city with more**
20 **than twenty-six thousand but less than twenty-seven thousand inhabitants that is located**
21 **in any county with a charter form of government and with more than one million**

22 **inhabitants;**

23 **(8) "Existing job", a job in an essential industry that pays wages or salary greater**
24 **than the average of the county in which the project will be located;**

25 **(9) "Industry", a business located within the state of Missouri which enters into an**
26 **agreement with a community college district and which is engaged in interstate or intrastate**
27 **commerce for the purpose of manufacturing, processing, or assembling products, conducting**
28 **research and development, or providing services in interstate commerce, but excluding retail**
29 **services. "Industry" does not include a business which closes or substantially reduces its**
30 **operation in one area of the state and relocates substantially the same operation in another area**
31 **of the state. This does not prohibit a business from expanding its operations in another area of**
32 **the state provided that existing operations of a similar nature are not closed or substantially**
33 **reduced;**

34 **[(8)] (10) "New job", a job in a new or expanding industry not including jobs of recalled**
35 **workers, or replacement jobs or other jobs that formerly existed in the industry in the state. For**
36 **an essential industry, an existing job shall be considered a new job for the purposes of the**
37 **new jobs training program;**

38 **[(9)] (11) "New jobs credit from withholding", the credit as provided in section 178.894;**

39 **[(10)] (12) "New jobs training program" or "program", the project or projects established**
40 **by a community college district for the creation of jobs by providing education and training of**
41 **workers for new jobs for new or expanding industry in the state;**

42 **[(11)] (13) "Program costs", all necessary and incidental costs of providing program**
43 **services including payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest on certificates,**
44 **including capitalized interest, issued to finance a project, funding and maintenance of a debt**
45 **service reserve fund to secure such certificates and wages, salaries and benefits of employees**
46 **participating in on-the-job training;**

47 **[(12)] (14) "Program services" includes, but is not limited to, the following:**

48 **(a) New jobs training;**

49 **(b) Adult basic education and job-related instruction;**

50 **(c) Vocational and skill-assessment services and testing;**

51 **(d) Training facilities, equipment, materials, and supplies;**

52 **(e) On-the-job training;**

53 **(f) Administrative expenses equal to fifteen percent of the total training costs;**

54 **(g) Subcontracted services with state institutions of higher education, private colleges**
55 **or universities, or other federal, state, or local agencies;**

56 **(h) Contracted or professional services; and**

57 **(i) Issuance of certificates;**

58 [(13)] **(15)** "Project", a training arrangement which is the subject of an agreement entered
59 into between the community college district and an employer to provide program services;

60 [(14)] **(16)** "Total training costs", costs of training, including supplies, wages and
61 benefits of instructors, subcontracted services, on-the-job training, training facilities, equipment,
62 skill assessment and all program services excluding issuance of certificates.

 Section B. The repeal and reenactment of sections 100.710, 100.840, 100.850, and
2 178.892 and the enactment of sections 135.290, 135.291, 135.292, and 135.293 of section A of
3 this act shall expire on January 1, 2006, if no essential industry retention projects have been
4 approved by the department of economic development by December 31, 2005. If an essential
5 industry retention project has been approved by the department of economic development by
6 December 31, 2005, the repeal and reenactment of sections 100.710, 100.840, 100.850, and
7 178.892 and the enactment of sections 135.290, 135.291, 135.292, and 135.293 of section A of
8 this act shall expire on January 1, 2020. The director of the department of economic
9 development shall notify the Revisor of Statutes whether any projects have been approved by
10 December 31, 2005.