# SECOND REGULAR SESSION SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE SUBSTITUTE FOR

### **HOUSE BILL NO. 1409**

#### 92ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Economic Development, Tourism and Local Government, May 5, 2004, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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#### AN ACT

To repeal sections 30.750, 30.753, 30.756, 30.758, 30.760, 30.765, 32.105, 32.110, 67.1401, 67.1461, 67.1545, 71.620, 100.255, 100.260, 100.263, 100.270, 100.275, 100.281, 100.286, 100.710, 135.207, 135.215, 135.530, 163.036, 620.472, 620.474, 620.1039, 620.1400, 620.1410, 620.1420, 620.1430, 620.1440, 620.1450, 620.1460, and 620.1560, RSMo, and section 100.850 as enacted by conference committee substitute for senate substitute for senate substitute for senate substitute for house bill no. 289, ninety-second general assembly, first regular session, and section 100.850 as enacted by senate committee substitute for senate bill no. 620, ninety-second general assembly, first regular session, and to enact in lieu thereof fifty-four new sections relating to economic development projects, with penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Sections 30.750, 30.753, 30.756, 30.760, 30.765, 32.105, 32.110, 267.1401, 67.1461, 67.1545, 71.620, 100.255, 100.260, 100.263, 100.270, 100.275, 100.281, 100.286, 100.710, 135.207, 135.215, 135.530, 163.036, 620.472, 620.474, 620.1039, 620.1400, 620.1410, 620.1420, 620.1430, 620.1440, 620.1450, 620.1460, and 620.1560, RSMo, and section 100.850 as enacted by conference committee substitute for senate substitute for senate committee substitute for house committee substitute for house bill no. 289, ninety-second general assembly, first regular session, and section 100.850 as enacted by senate committee substitute for senate bill no. 620, ninety-second general assembly, first regular session, are repealed and fifty-four new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 30.750, 30.753, 30.756, 30.758, 30.760, 30.765, 32.105, 32.110, 67.265, 67.1303, 67.1401, 67.1461, 67.1545, 71.620, 94.578, 100.255, 100.260,

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- 13 135.207, 135.212, 135.215, 135.262, 135.286, 135.288, 135.530, 135.610, 135.1050,
- 14 135.1055, 135.1057, 135.1060, 135.1065, 135.1070, 135.1075, 163.036, 178.980, 178.981,
- 15 178.982, 178.983, 178.984, 178.985, 190.304, 620.472, 620.474, 620.484, and 620.1039,
- 16 to read as follows:
  - 30.750. As used in sections 30.750 to 30.765, the following terms mean:
- 2 (1) "Eligible agribusiness", a person, employing ten or more persons engaged in
- 3 the processing or adding of value to agricultural products produced in Missouri;
- 4 (2) "Eligible beginning farmer",
- 5 (a) For any beginning farmer who seeks to participate in the linked deposit 6 program alone, a farmer who:
- 7 a. Is a Missouri resident;
- 8 b. Wishes to borrow for a farm operation located in Missouri;
- 9 c. Is at least eighteen years old;
- d. In the preceding five years has not owned, either directly or indirectly, farm
- 11 land greater than thirty percent of the median size farm in the county where the
- 12 proposed farm operation is located, or farm land with an appraised value greater than
- 13 one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars; and
- 14 e. Has not been the sole farmer of land for more than ten years prior to the date
- of application of the proposed farm operation.
- 16 A farmer who qualifies as an eligible farmer under this provision may utilize the
- 17 proceeds of a linked deposit loan to purchase agricultural land, farm buildings, new and
- 18 used farm equipment, livestock and working capital;
- 19 (b) For any beginning farmer who is participating in both the linked deposit
- 20 program and the beginning farmer loan program administered by the Missouri
- 21 agriculture and small business development authority, a farmer who:
- 22 a. Qualifies under the definition of a beginning farmer utilized for eligibility for
- 23 federal tax-exempt financing, including the limitations on the use of loan proceeds; and
- b. Meets all other requirements established by the Missouri agriculture and
- 25 small business development authority;
- 26 (3) "Eligible farming operation", any person engaged in farming in an authorized
- 27 farm corporation, family farm, or family farm corporation as defined in section 350.010,
- 28 RSMo, that has all of the following characteristics:
- 29 (a) Is headquartered in this state;
- 30 (b) Maintains offices, operating facilities, or farming operations and transacts
- B1 business in this state;

- 32 (c) Employs less than ten employees;
- 33 (d) Is organized for profit;
- (e) Possesses not more than sixty percent equity, where "percent equity" is defined as total assets minus total liabilities divided by total assets, except that an otherwise eligible farming operation applying for a loan for the purpose of installing or improving a waste management practice in order to comply with environmental protection regulations shall be exempt from this eligibility requirement;
- 39 (4) "Eligible higher education institution", any approved public or private 40 institution as defined in section 173.205, RSMo;
  - (5) "Eligible job enhancement business", a new, existing or expanding firm operating in Missouri which employs ten or more employees on a yearly average and which, as nearly as possible, is able to establish or retain at least one job in Missouri for each twenty-five thousand dollars received from a linked deposit loan;
  - (6) "Eligible lending institution", a financial institution that is eligible to make commercial or agricultural or student loans or discount or purchase such loans, is a public depository of state funds or obtains its funds through the issuance of obligations, either directly or through a related entity, eligible for the placement of state funds under the provisions of section 15, article IV, Constitution of Missouri, and agrees to participate in the linked deposit program;
  - (7) "Eligible multi-tenant development enterprises", a new enterprise that develops multi-tenant space for targeted industries as determined by the department of economic development and approved by the department for the purposes of eligibility pursuant to sections 30.750 to 30.765;
  - (8) "Eligible livestock operation", any person, engaged in production of livestock or poultry in an authorized farm corporation, family farm, or family farm corporation as defined in section 350.010, RSMo;
  - [(8)] (9) "Eligible marketing enterprise", a business enterprise operating in this state which is in the process of marketing its goods, products or services within or outside of this state or overseas, which marketing is designed to increase manufacturing, transportation, mining, communications, or other enterprises in this state, which has proposed its marketing plan and strategy to the department of economic development and which plan and strategy has been approved by the department for purposes of eligibility pursuant to sections 30.750 to 30.765. Such business enterprise shall conform to the characteristics of paragraphs (a), (b) and (d) of subdivision (3) of this section and also employ less than twenty-five employees;
    - [(9)] (10) "Eligible residential property developer", an individual who purchases

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and develops a residential structure of either two or four units, if such residential property developer uses and agrees to continue to use, for at least the five years immediately following the date of issuance of the linked deposit loan, one of the units as his principal residence or if such person's principal residence is located within one-half mile from the developed structure and such person agrees to maintain the principal residence within one-half mile of the developed structure for at least the five years immediately following the date of issuance of the linked deposit loan;

- [(10)] (11) "Eligible residential property owner", a person, firm or corporation who purchases, develops or rehabilitates a multifamily residential structure;
- [(11)] (12) "Eligible small business", a person engaged in an activity with the purpose of obtaining, directly or indirectly, a gain, benefit or advantage and which conforms to the characteristics of paragraphs (a), (b) and (d) of subdivision (3) of this section, and also employs less than twenty-five employees;
- [(12)] (13) "Eligible student borrower", any person attending, or the parent of a dependent undergraduate attending, an eligible higher education institution in Missouri who may or may not qualify for need-based student financial aid calculated by the federal analysis called Congressional Methodology Formula pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1078, as amended (the Higher Education Amendments of 1986);
- 86 [(13)] (14) "Eligible water supply system", a water system which serves fewer 87 than fifty thousand persons and which is owned and operated by:
  - (a) A public water supply district established pursuant to chapter 247, RSMo; or
- 89 (b) A municipality or other political subdivision; or
- 90 (c) A water corporation; and which is certified by the department of natural resources in accordance with its rules and regulations to have suffered a significant decrease in its capacity to meet its service needs as a result of drought;
  - [(14)] (15) "Farming", using or cultivating land for the production of agricultural crops, livestock or livestock products, forest products, poultry or poultry products, milk or dairy products, or fruit or other horticultural products;
- 96 [(15)] (16) "Linked deposit", a certificate of deposit, or in the case of production 97 credit associations, the subscription or purchase outright of obligations described in section 15, article IV, Constitution of Missouri, placed by the state treasurer with an 98 99 eligible lending institution at up to three percent below current market rates that are 100 determined and calculated by the state treasurer, provided the deposit rate is not below 101 two percent, provided the institution agrees to lend the value of such deposit, according to the deposit agreement provided in sections 30.750 to 30.765, to eligible small 102 businesses, farming operations, eligible job enhancement businesses, eligible marketing 103

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104 enterprises, eligible residential property developers, eligible residential property owners, 105 eligible agribusinesses, eligible beginning farmers, eligible livestock operations, eligible 106 student borrowers, or eligible water supply systems at below the present borrowing rate 107 applicable to each small business, farming operation, eligible job enhancement business, 108 eligible marketing enterprise, eligible residential property developer, eligible residential 109 property owner, eligible agribusiness, eligible beginning farmer, eligible livestock 110 operation, eligible student borrower, or supply system at the time of the deposit of state funds in the institution; 111

112 [(16)] (17) "Water corporation", as such term is defined in section 386.020, 113 RSMo;

[(17)] (18) "Water system", as such term is defined in section 386.020, RSMo.

30.753. 1. The state treasurer may invest in linked deposits; however, the total amount so deposited at any one time shall not exceed, in the aggregate, three hundred 2 [fifty] sixty million dollars. No more than one hundred sixty-five million dollars of the 3 aggregate deposit shall be used for linked deposits to eligible farming operations, eligible agribusinesses, eligible beginning farmers and eligible livestock operations, no more than 5 fifty-five million of the aggregate deposit shall be used for linked deposits to small 6 businesses, no more than ten million dollars shall be used for linked deposits 7 to eligible multi-tenet development enterprises, and no more than ten million dollars of the aggregate deposit shall be used for linked deposits to eligible residential 10 property developers and eligible residential property owners, no more than one hundred 11 ten million dollars of the aggregate deposit shall be used for linked deposits to eligible 12 job enhancement businesses and no more than ten million dollars of the aggregate deposit shall be used for linked deposit loans to eligible water systems. Linked deposit 13 loans may be made to eligible student borrowers from the aggregate deposit. If demand 14 for a particular type of linked deposit exceeds the initial allocation, and funds initially 15 16 allocated to another type are available and not in demand, the state treasurer may commingle allocations among the types of linked deposits. The amount reallocated under 17 this commingling provision shall not exceed fifty percent of the initial allocation. 18

19 2. The minimum deposit to be made by the state treasurer to an eligible lending institution for eligible job enhancement business loans shall be ninety thousand dollars. Linked deposit loans for eligible job enhancement businesses may be made for the purposes of assisting with relocation expenses, working capital, interim construction, inventory, site development, machinery and equipment, or other expenses necessary to create or retain jobs in the recipient firm.

30.756. 1. An eligible lending institution that desires to receive a linked deposit

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shall accept and review applications for linked deposit loans from eligible multi-tenet enterprises, eligible farming operations, eligible small businesses, eligible job enhancement businesses, eligible marketing enterprises, eligible agribusinesses, eligible 5 beginning farmers, eligible livestock operations, eligible residential property developers, eligible residential property owners, eligible student borrowers and eligible water supply 6 systems. An eligible residential property owner shall certify on his loan application that 8 the reduced rate loan will be used exclusively to purchase, develop or rehabilitate a multifamily residential property. The lending institution shall apply all usual lending 9 standards to determine the credit worthiness of each eligible multi-tenet enterprises, 10 eligible farming operation, eligible small business, eligible job enhancement business, 11 eligible marketing enterprise, eligible residential property developer, eligible residential 12property owner, eligible agribusiness, eligible beginning farmer, eligible livestock 13 operation, eligible student borrower or eligible water supply system. No linked deposit 14 loan made to any eligible farming operation, eligible livestock operation, eligible 15 agribusiness or eligible small business shall exceed one hundred thousand dollars and 16 no service of separate loans may be made which exceeds such limit to any single eligible 17 farming operation, eligible livestock operation, eligible agribusiness or eligible small 18 business. 19

- 2. An eligible farming operation, small business or job enhancement business shall certify on its loan application that the reduced rate loan will be used exclusively for necessary production expenses or the expenses listed in subsection 2 of section 30.753 or the refinancing of an existing loan for production expenses or the expenses listed in subsection 2 of section 30.753 of an eligible farming operation, small business or job enhancement business. Whoever knowingly makes a false statement concerning such application is guilty of a class A misdemeanor. An eligible water supply system shall certify on its loan application that the reduced rate loan shall be used exclusively to pay the costs of upgrading or repairing an existing water system, constructing a new water system, or making other capital improvements to a water system which are necessary to improve the service capacity of the system.
- 3. In considering which eligible farming operations should receive reduced rate loans, the eligible lending institution shall give priority to those farming operations which have suffered reduced yields due to drought or other natural disasters and for which the receipt of a reduced rate loan will make a significant contribution to the continued operation of the recipient farming operation.
- 4. The eligible financial institution shall forward to the state treasurer a linked deposit loan package, in the form and manner as prescribed by the state treasurer. The

package shall include such information as required by the state treasurer, including the amount of each loan requested. The institution shall certify that each applicant is an eligible farming operation, eligible small business, eligible job enhancement business, eligible marketing enterprise, eligible residential property developer, eligible residential property owner, eligible agribusiness, eligible beginning farmer, eligible livestock operation, eligible student borrower or eligible water supply system, and shall, for each eligible farming operation, small business, eligible job enhancement business, eligible marketing enterprise, eligible residential property developer, eligible residential property owner, eligible agribusiness, eligible beginning farmer, eligible livestock operation, eligible student borrower or eligible water supply system, certify the present borrowing rate applicable.

5. The eligible lending institution shall be responsible for determining if a student borrower is an eligible student borrower. A student borrower shall be eligible for an initial or renewal reduced rate loan only if, at the time of the application for the loan, he is a citizen or permanent resident of the United States, a resident of the state of Missouri as defined by the coordinating board for higher education, is enrolled or has been accepted for enrollment in an eligible higher education institution, and establishes that he has financial need. In considering which eligible student borrowers may receive reduced rate loans, the eligible lending institution may give priority to those eligible student borrowers whose income, or whose family income, if the eligible student borrower is a dependent, is such that the eligible student borrower does not qualify for need-based student financial aid pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1078, as amended (the Higher Education Amendments of 1986). The eligible lending institution shall require the eligible student borrower to document that he has applied for and has obtained all need-based student financial aid for which he is eligible prior to application for a reduced rate loan pursuant to this section. In no case shall the combination of all financial aid awarded to any student in any particular enrollment period exceed the total cost of attendance at the institution in which the student is enrolled. No eligible lending institution shall charge any additional fees, including but not limited to an origination, service or insurance fee on any loan agreement under the provisions of sections 30.750 to 30.765.

6. The eligible lending institution making an initial loan to an eligible student borrower may make a renewal loan or loans to the student. The total of such reduced rate loans from eligible lending institutions made pursuant to this section to any individual student shall not exceed the cumulative totals established by 20 U.S.C. 1078, as amended. An eligible student borrower shall certify on his loan application that the reduced rate loan shall be used exclusively to pay the costs of tuition, incidental fees,

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books and academic supplies, room and board and other fees directly related to 74 75 enrollment in an eligible higher education institution. The eligible lending institution shall make the loan payable to the eligible student borrower and the eligible higher 76 77 education institution as copayees. The method of repayment of the loan shall be the same as for repayment of loans made pursuant to sections 173.095 to 173.186, RSMo. 78

30.758. 1. The state treasurer may accept or reject a linked deposit loan package or any portion thereof. 2

- 2. Upon acceptance of the linked deposit loan package or any portion thereof, the state treasurer may place linked deposits with the eligible lending institution at up to three percent below current market rates, as determined and calculated by the state treasurer provided the deposit rate is not below two percent. When necessary, the treasurer may place linked deposits prior to acceptance of a linked deposit loan package.
- 3. The eligible lending institution shall enter into a deposit agreement with the state treasurer, which shall include requirements necessary to carry out the purposes of sections 30.750 to 30.765. Such requirements shall reflect the market conditions prevailing in the eligible lending institution's lending area. The deposit agreement shall specify the length of time for which the lending institution will lend funds upon receiving a linked deposit. The agreement shall also include provisions for the linked deposit of a linked deposit for an eligible multi-tenet enterprise, eligible farming operation, 15 small business, eligible marketing enterprise, eligible residential property developer, 16 eligible residential property owner, eligible agribusiness, eligible beginning farmer, eligible livestock operation, eligible student borrower or job enhancement business to mature within a period not to exceed one year. The state treasurer may renew such linked deposit for additional periods of time, each of which shall not exceed one year. The linked deposit of a linked deposit for an eligible property developer or residential property owner shall mature within a period not to exceed three years. The linked deposit of a linked deposit for an eligible water supply system shall mature within a period not to exceed three years and the state treasurer may renew such a linked deposit for additional periods of time, each of which shall not exceed three years. Interest shall be paid at the times determined by the state treasurer.
  - 4. The period of time for which such linked deposit is placed with an eligible lending institution shall be neither longer nor shorter than the period of time for which the linked deposit is used to provide loans at reduced interest rates. The agreement shall further provide that the state shall receive market interest rates on any linked deposit or any portion thereof for any period of time for which there is no corresponding linked deposit loan outstanding to an eligible multi-tenet enterprise, eligible farming

operation, eligible small business, eligible job enhancement business, eligible marketing enterprise, eligible residential property developer, eligible residential property owner, eligible agribusiness, eligible beginning farmer, eligible livestock operation, eligible student borrower or eligible water supply system.

30.760. 1. Upon the placement of a linked deposit with an eligible lending institution, such institution is required to lend such funds to each approved eligible multi-tenet enterprise, eligible farm operation, eligible small business, eligible job 3 enhancement business, eligible marketing enterprise, eligible residential property 4 5 developer, eligible residential property owner, eligible agribusiness, eligible beginning farmer, eligible livestock operation, eligible student borrower or eligible water supply 6 system listed in the linked deposit loan package required by section 30.756 and in accordance with the deposit agreement required by section 30.758. The loan shall be at 8 a fixed rate of interest which is below the present borrowing rate applicable to each 9 eligible multi-tenet enterprise, eligible farming operation, eligible small business, 10 eligible job enhancement business, eligible marketing enterprise, eligible residential 11 property developer, eligible residential property owner, eligible agribusiness, eligible 12 beginning farmer, eligible livestock operation, eligible student borrower or eligible water 13 supply system as determined pursuant to rules and regulations promulgated by the state 14 treasurer under the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, including emergency rules issued 15 16 pursuant to section 536.025, RSMo. In addition, the loan agreement shall specify that 17 the eligible multi-tenet enterprise, eligible farming operation, eligible small 18 business, eligible job enhancement business, eligible marketing enterprise, eligible 19 residential property developer, eligible residential property owner, eligible agribusiness, eligible beginning farmer, eligible livestock operation, eligible student borrower or 20 eligible water supply system shall use the proceeds as required by sections 30.750 to 212230.765, and that in the event the loan recipient does not use the proceeds in the manner prescribed by sections 30.750 to 30.765, the remaining proceeds shall be immediately 23 returned to the lending institution and that any proceeds used by the loan recipient shall 2425be repaid to the lending institution as soon as practicable. All records and documents 26 pertaining to the programs established by sections 30.750 to 30.765 shall be segregated by the lending institution for ease of identification and examination. A certification of 2728 compliance with this section in the form and manner as prescribed by the state treasurer 29 shall be required of the eligible lending institution. Any lender or lending officer of an 30 eligible lending institution who knowingly violates the provisions of sections 30.750 to 30.765 is guilty of a class A misdemeanor. 31

2. The state treasurer shall take any and all steps necessary to implement the

33 linked deposit program and monitor compliance of eligible multi-tenet enterprises, 34 eligible lending institutions, eligible farming operations, eligible small businesses, eligible job enhancement businesses, eligible marketing enterprises, eligible residential 35 36 property developers, eligible residential property owners, eligible agribusinesses, eligible 37 beginning farmers, eligible livestock operations, eligible student borrowers or eligible 38 water supply systems. Annually, by the first day of February, the state treasurer shall 39 report on the linked deposits program for the preceding calendar year to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, and the president pro tem of the 40 41 senate. The report shall set forth the linked deposits made by the state treasurer under the program during the year and shall include information regarding the nature, terms, 42and amounts of the loans upon which the linked deposits were based. The report shall 43 44 not include the assets, liabilities or percent equity of any recipient eligible multi-tenet enterprise, eligible farming operation, eligible small business, eligible job enhancement 4546 business, eligible marketing enterprise, eligible residential property developer, eligible residential property owner, eligible agribusiness, eligible beginning farmer, eligible 47livestock operation, eligible student borrower or eligible water supply system, but shall 48 include a statement by the state treasurer that the eligible lending institutions have 49 certified that all recipient eligible multi-tenet enterprises, eligible farming 50 operations, eligible small businesses, eligible job enhancement businesses, eligible 51 52marketing enterprises, eligible residential property developers, eligible residential 53property owners, eligible agribusinesses, eligible beginning farmers, eligible livestock 54operations, eligible student borrowers or eligible water supply systems meet the criteria 55 of sections 30.750 to 30.765.

30.765. The state and the state treasurer are not liable to any eligible lending institution in any manner for payment of the principal or interest on the loan to an  $^{2}$ eligible multi-tenet enterprise, eligible farm operation, eligible small business, 3 eligible job enhancement business, eligible marketing enterprise, eligible residential property developer, eligible residential property owner, eligible agribusiness, eligible 5 beginning farmer, eligible livestock operation, eligible student borrower or eligible water supply system. Any delay in payments or default on the part of an eligible multi-tenet enterprise, eligible farming operation, eligible small business, eligible job enhancement business, eligible marketing enterprise, eligible residential property developer, eligible residential property owner, eligible agribusiness, eligible beginning farmer, eligible livestock operation, eligible student borrower or eligible water supply system does not 11 12 in any manner affect the deposit agreement between the eligible lending institution and 13 the state treasurer.

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32.105. As used in sections 32.100 to 32.125, the following terms mean:

2 (1) "Affordable housing assistance activities", money, real or personal property, 3 or professional services expended or devoted to the construction, or rehabilitation of 4 affordable housing units;

(2) "Affordable housing unit", a residential unit generally occupied by persons 5 6 and families with incomes at or below the levels described in this subdivision and bearing a cost to the occupant no greater than thirty percent of the maximum eligible household income for the affordable housing unit. In the case of owner-occupied units, the cost to the occupant shall be considered the amount of the gross monthly mortgage 9 payment, including casualty insurance, mortgage insurance, and taxes. In the case of 10 rental units, the cost to the occupant shall be considered the amount of the gross 11 rent. The cost to the occupant shall include the cost of any utilities, other than 12 13 telephone. If any utilities are paid directly by the occupant, the maximum cost that may be paid by the occupant is to be reduced by a utility allowance prescribed by the 14 commission. Persons or families are eligible occupants of affordable housing units if the 15 household combined, adjusted gross income as defined by the commission is equal to or 16 less than the following percentages of the median family income for the geographic area 17 in which the residential unit is located, or the median family income for the state of 18 Missouri, whichever is larger; ("geographic area" means the metropolitan area or county 19 designated as an area by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development 20 under Section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended, for purposes of 21determining fair market rental rates): 22

23		Percent of State or
24		Geographic Area Family
25	Size of Household	Median Income
26	One Person	35%
27	Two Persons	40%
28	Three Persons	45%
29	Four Persons	50%
30	Five Persons	54%
31	Six Persons	58%
32	Seven Persons	62%
33	Eight Persons	66%

(3) "Business firm", person, firm, a partner in a firm, corporation or a shareholder in an S corporation doing business in the state of Missouri and subject to

- the state income tax imposed by the provisions of chapter 143, RSMo, or a corporation subject to the annual corporation franchise tax imposed by the provisions of chapter 147, RSMo, or an insurance company paying an annual tax on its gross premium receipts in this state, or other financial institution paying taxes to the state of Missouri or any political subdivision of this state pursuant to the provisions of chapter 148, RSMo, or an express company which pays an annual tax on its gross receipts in this state;
  - (4) "Commission", the Missouri housing development commission;
- 43 (5) "Community services", any type of counseling and advice, emergency 44 assistance or medical care furnished to individuals or groups in the state of Missouri or 45 transportation services at below-cost rates as provided in sections 208.250 to 208.275, 46 RSMo;
- 47 (6) "Crime prevention", any activity which aids in the reduction of crime in the 48 state of Missouri;
  - (7) "Defense industry contractor", a person, corporation or other entity which will be or has been negatively impacted as a result of its status as a prime contractor of the Department of Defense or as a second or third tier contractor. A "second tier contractor" means a person, corporation or other entity which contracts to perform manufacturing, maintenance or repair services for a prime contractor of the Department of Defense, and a "third tier contractor" means a person, corporation or other entity which contracts with a person, corporation or other entity which contracts with a prime contractor of the Department of Defense;
  - (8) "Doing business", among other methods of doing business in the state of Missouri, a partner in a firm or a shareholder in an S corporation shall be deemed to be doing business in the state of Missouri if such firm or S corporation, as the case may be, is doing business in the state of Missouri;
  - (9) "Economic development", the acquisition, renovation, improvement, or the furnishing or equipping of existing buildings and real estate in distressed or blighted areas of the state when such acquisition, renovation, improvement, or the furnishing or equipping of the business development projects will result in the creation or retention of jobs within the state; or, until June 30, 1996, a defense conversion pilot project located in a standard metropolitan statistical area which contains a city with a population of at least three hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, which will assist Missouri-based defense industry contractors in their conversion from predominately defense-related contracting to nondefense-oriented manufacturing. Only neighborhood organizations, as defined in subdivision (15) of this section, may apply to conduct economic development projects. Prior to the approval of an economic development project, the neighborhood

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- 72organization shall enter into a contractual agreement with the department of economic 73 development. Credits approved for economic development projects may not exceed four million dollars from within any one fiscal year's allocation, except that for fiscal 7475 years 2005, 2006, and 2007 credits approved for economic development projects shall not exceed six million dollars. Neighborhood assistance program tax 76 77 credits for economic development projects and affordable housing assistance as defined 78 in section 32.111, may be transferred, sold or assigned by a notarized endorsement thereof naming the transferee; 79
  - (10) "Education", any type of scholastic instruction or scholarship assistance to an individual who resides in the state of Missouri that enables the individual to prepare himself or herself for better opportunities or community awareness activities rendered by a statewide organization established for the purpose of archeological education and preservation;
  - (11) ["Eligible farmers' market", a group of farmers, each of whom farms agricultural land located within this state which he or she rents or owns, and who have formed a group for the purpose of allowing each member farmer to sell his or her products derived from his or her farming activities to the public at a common structure or building when at least fifty percent of the costs of such structure or building are paid for by such group of farmers;
- 91 (12) "Eligible new generation cooperative", as defined in section 348.340, RSMo;
- 92 (13)] "Homeless assistance pilot project", the program established pursuant to section 32.117;
  - [(14)] (12) "Job training", any type of instruction to an individual who resides in the state of Missouri that enables the individual to acquire vocational skills so that the individual can become employable or be able to seek a higher grade of employment;
- 97 [(15)] (13) "Neighborhood organization", any organization performing community 98 services or economic development activities in the state of Missouri and:
  - (a) Holding a ruling from the Internal Revenue Service of the United States

    Department of the Treasury that the organization is exempt from income taxation

    pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code; or
- 102 (b) Incorporated in the state of Missouri as a not-for-profit corporation pursuant 103 to the provisions of chapter 355, RSMo; or
- 104 (c) Designated as a community development corporation by the United States 105 government pursuant to the provisions of Title VII of the Economic Opportunity Act of 106 1964; or
  - (d) Contributing funds to help finance a building or structure or purchase

equipment located within this state and used to sell agricultural food products or to add value to food products produced in this state by members of an eligible new generation cooperative; or contributing funds to help finance a building or structure or purchase equipment owned by a not-for-profit organization located within this state and used to sell agricultural food products or to add value to food products produced by family farms as defined in subdivision (4) of section 350.010, RSMo, or family farm corporations as defined in subdivision (5) of section 350.010, RSMo;

[(16)] (14) "Physical revitalization", furnishing financial assistance, labor, material, or technical advice to aid in the physical improvement or rehabilitation of any part or all of a neighborhood area;

[(17)] (15) "S corporation", a corporation described in Section 1361(a)(1) of the United States Internal Revenue Code and not subject to the taxes imposed by section 120 143.071, RSMo, by reason of section 143.471, RSMo;

121 [(18)] (16) "Workfare renovation project", any project initiated pursuant to sections 215.340 to 215.355, RSMo.

32.110. Any business firm which engages in the activities of providing physical revitalization, economic development, job training or education for individuals, community services, [eligible farmers' markets] or crime prevention in the state of 3 Missouri shall receive a tax credit as provided in section 32.115 if the director of the 5 department of economic development annually approves the proposal of the business firm; except that, no proposal shall be approved which does not have the endorsement of the agency of local government within the area in which the business firm is engaging in such activities which has adopted an overall community or neighborhood development plan that the proposal is consistent with such plan. The proposal shall set forth the program to be conducted, the neighborhood area to be served, why the program is 10 needed, the estimated amount to be contributed to the program and the plans for 11 implementing the program. If, in the opinion of the director of the department of 12 economic development, a business firm's contribution can more consistently with the 13 purposes of sections 32.100 to 32.125 be made through contributions to a neighborhood 14 organization as defined in subdivision [(15)] (13) of section 32.105, tax credits may be 15 allowed as provided in section 32.115. The director of the department of economic 16 17 development is hereby authorized to promulgate rules and regulations for establishing criteria for evaluating such proposals by business firms for approval or disapproval and 18 for establishing priorities for approval or disapproval of such proposals by business firms 19 with the assistance and approval of the director of the department of revenue. The total 20 amount of tax credit granted for programs approved pursuant to sections 32.100 to

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22 32.125 shall not exceed fourteen million dollars in fiscal year 1999 and twenty-six million 23 dollars in fiscal year 2000, and any subsequent fiscal year, except as otherwise provided for proposals approved pursuant to section 32.111, 32.112 or 32.117. All tax credits 2425authorized pursuant to the provisions of sections 32.100 to 32.125 may be used as a state match to secure additional federal funding. The total amount of tax credits allowed for  $^{26}$ 27 programs of neighborhood organizations defined pursuant to paragraph (d) of subdivision [(15)] (13) of section 32.105 is two and one-half million dollars per fiscal year for fiscal 28 years 2002 to 2006. 29

67.265. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, any city or county of this state may enact ordinances or resolutions addressing substance related health issues.

67.1303. 1. The governing body of any home rule city with more than one hundred fifty-one thousand five hundred but less than one hundred 3 fifty-one thousand six hundred inhabitants, any home rule city with more than forty-five thousand five hundred but less than forty-five thousand nine 4 hundred inhabitants and the governing body of any city within any county of the first classification with more than one hundred four thousand six hundred but less than one hundred four thousand seven hundred inhabitants and the governing body of any county of the third classification without a township form of government and with more than forty thousand eight hundred but less than forty thousand nine hundred inhabitants or any city within such 10 county may impose, by order or ordinance, a sales tax on all retail sales made 11 in the city or county which are subject to sales tax under chapter 144, RSMo. The tax authorized in this section shall not be more than one-half of 13 one percent. The order or ordinance imposing the tax shall not become 14 effective unless the governing body of the city or county submits to the voters 15 of the city or county at a state general or primary election a proposal to 16 authorize the governing body to impose a tax under this section. The tax 17authorized in this section shall be in addition to all other sales taxes imposed 18 by law, and shall be stated separately from all other charges and taxes. 19

2. The ballot of submission for the tax authorized in this section shall be in substantially the following form:

Shall ...... (insert the name of the city or county) impose a sales tax at a rate of ...... (insert rate of percent) percent for economic development purposes?

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If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting 26 27thereon are in favor of the question, then the tax shall become effective on the first day of the second calendar quarter following the calendar quarter 28in which the election was held. If a majority of the votes cast on the question 29by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the question, then the 30 tax shall not become effective unless and until the question is resubmitted 31 under this section to the qualified voters and such question is approved by 32a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question, provided that no proposal shall be resubmitted to the voters sooner than twelve months from 34 the date of the submission of the last proposal. 35

3. No revenue generated by the tax authorized in this section shall be used for any retail development project. At least twenty percent of the revenue generated by the tax authorized in this section shall be used solely for projects directly related to long-term economic development preparation, including, but not limited to, the following:

- (1) Acquisition of land;
- (2) Installation of infrastructure for industrial or business parks;
- 43 (3) Improvement of water and wastewater treatment capacity;
- 44 (4) Extension of streets;
- 45 (5) Providing matching dollars for state or federal grants;
- 46 (6) Marketing;
- 47 (7) Providing grants and low-interest loans to companies for job 48 training, equipment acquisition, site development, and infrastructure.
- Not more than twenty-five percent of the revenue generated may be used annually for administrative purposes, including staff and facility costs.
  - 4. All revenue generated by the tax shall be deposited in a special trust fund and shall be used solely for the designated purposes. If the tax is repealed, all funds remaining in the special trust fund shall continue to be used solely for the designated purposes. Any funds in the special trust fund which are not needed for current expenditures may be invested by the governing body in accordance with applicable laws relating to the investment of other city or county funds.
  - 5. Any city or county imposing the tax authorized in this section shall establish an economic development tax board. The board shall consist of eleven members, to be appointed as follows:
- 61 (1) Two members shall be appointed by the school boards whose 62 districts are included within any economic development plan or area funded

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in any manner agreed upon by the affected districts;

- (2) One member shall be appointed, in any manner agreed upon by the affected districts, to represent all other districts levying ad valorem taxes within the area selected for an economic development project or area funded by the sales tax authorized in this section, excluding representatives of the governing body of the city or county;
- (3) One member shall be appointed by the largest public school district in the city or county;
- (4) In each city or county, five members shall be appointed by the chief elected officer of the city or county with the consent of the majority of the governing body of the city or county;
- (5) In each city, two members shall be appointed by the governing body of the county in which the city is located. In each county, two members shall be appointed by the governing body of the county.
  - At the option of the members appointed by a city or county the members who are appointed by the school boards and other taxing districts may serve on the board for a term to coincide with the length of time an economic development project, plan, or designation of an economic development area is considered for approval by the board, or for the definite terms as provided in this subsection. If the members representing school districts and other taxing districts are appointed for a term coinciding with the length of time an economic development project, plan, or area is approved, such term shall terminate upon final approval of the project, plan, or designation of the area by the governing body of the city or county. If any school district or other taxing jurisdiction fails to appoint members of the board within thirty days of receipt of written notice of a proposed economic development plan, economic development project, or designation of an economic development area, the remaining members may proceed to exercise the power of the boa $\Omega$ L the members first appointed by the city or county, three shall be designated to serve for terms of two years, three shall be designated to serve for a term of three years, and the remaining members shall be designated to serve for a term of four years from the date of such initial appointments. Thereafter, the members appointed by the city or county shall serve for a term of four years, except that all vacancies shall be filled for unexpired terms in the same manner as were the original appointments.
    - 6. The board, subject to approval of the governing body of the city or

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100 county, shall develop economic development plans, economic development 101 projects, or designations of an economic development area, and shall hold public hearings and provide notice of any such hearings. The board shall 102 103 vote on all proposed economic development plans, economic development projects, or designations of an economic development area, and amendments 104 105 thereto, within thirty days following completion of the hearing on any such plan, project, or designation, and shall make recommendations to the 106 107 governing body within ninety days of the hearing concerning the adoption of 108 or amendment to economic development plans, economic development 109 projects, or designations of an economic development area.

- 7. The board shall report at least annually to the governing body of the city or county on the use of the funds provided under this section and on the progress of any plan, project, or designation adopted under this section.
- 8. The governing body of any city or county that has adopted the sales tax authorized in this section may submit the question of repeal of the tax to the voters on any date available for elections for the city or county. The ballot of submission shall be in substantially the following form:

Shall ...... (insert the name of the city or county) repeal the sales tax imposed at a rate of ...... (insert rate of percent) percent for economic development purposes?

 $\square$  YES  $\square$  NO

If a majority of the votes cast on the proposal are in favor of repeal, that repeal shall become effective on December thirty-first of the calendar year in which such repeal was approved. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal, then the sales tax authorized in this section shall remain effective until the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters of the city or county, and the repeal is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question.

9. Whenever the governing body of any city or county that has adopted the sales tax authorized in this section receives a petition, signed by ten percent of the registered voters of the city or county voting in the last gubernatorial election, calling for an election to repeal the sales tax imposed under this section, the governing body shall submit to the voters a proposal to repeal the tax. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the repeal, that repeal shall

- become effective on December thirty-first of the calendar year in which such repeal was approved. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal, then the tax shall remain effective until the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters and the repeal is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question.
  - 67.1401. 1. Sections 67.1401 to 67.1571 shall be known and may be cited as the 2 "Community Improvement District Act".
  - 3 2. For the purposes of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571, the following words and terms 4 mean:
  - 5 (1) "Approval" or "approve", for purposes of elections pursuant to sections 67.1401 6 to 67.1571, a simple majority of those qualified voters voting in the election;
  - 7 (2) "Assessed value", the assessed value of real property as reflected on the tax 8 records of the county clerk of the county in which the property is located, or the collector 9 of revenue if the property is located in a city not within a county, as of the last 10 completed assessment;
  - 11 (3) "Blighted area", an area which:
- 12 (a) By reason of the predominance of defective or inadequate street layout, 13 insanitary or unsafe conditions, deterioration of site improvements, improper subdivision 14 or obsolete platting, or the existence of conditions which endanger life or property by fire 15 and other causes, or any combination of such factors, retards the provision of housing 16 accommodations or constitutes an economic or social liability or a menace to the public 17 health, safety, morals or welfare in its present condition and use; or
- 18 (b) Has been declared blighted or found to be a blighted area pursuant to
  19 Missouri law including, but not limited to, chapter 353, RSMo, sections 99.800 to 99.865,
  20 RSMo, or sections 99.300 to 99.715, RSMo;
- 21 (4) "Board", if the district is a political subdivision, the board of directors of the 22 district, or if the district is a not-for-profit corporation, the board of directors of such 23 corporation;
- 24 (5) "Director of revenue", the director of the department of revenue of the state 25 of Missouri;
- 26 (6) "District", a community improvement district, established pursuant to sections 27 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- 28 (7) "Election authority", the election authority having jurisdiction over the area 29 in which the boundaries of the district are located pursuant to chapter 115, RSMo;
- 30 (8) "Municipal clerk", the clerk of the municipality;

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- (9) "Municipality", any city [located in a county of the first classification or second classification, any city not within a county and any], village, incorporated town, or county of this state, or in any unincorporated area that is located in any county with a charter form of government and with more than one million inhabitants;
- 36 (10) "Obligations", bonds, loans, debentures, notes, special certificates, or other 37 evidences of indebtedness issued by a district to carry out any of its powers, duties or 38 purposes or to refund outstanding obligations;
  - (11) "Owner", for real property, the individual or individuals or entity or entities who own the fee of real property or their legally authorized representative; for business organizations and other entities, the owner shall be deemed to be the individual which is legally authorized to represent the entity in regard to the district;
  - (12) "Per capita", one head count applied to each individual, entity or group of individuals or entities having fee ownership of real property within the district whether such individual, entity or group owns one or more parcels of real property in the district as joint tenants, tenants in common, tenants by the entirety or tenants in partnership;
- 47 (13) "Petition", a petition to establish a district as it may be amended in 48 accordance with the requirements of section 67.1421;
- 49 (14) "Qualified voters",
- 50 (a) For purposes of elections for approval of real property taxes:
- a. Registered voters; or
  - b. If no registered voters reside in the district, the owners of one or more parcels of real property which is to be subject to such real property taxes and is located within the district per the tax records for real property of the county clerk, or the collector of revenue if the district is located in a city not within a county, as of the thirtieth day prior to the date of the applicable election;
- 57 (b) For purposes of elections for approval of business license taxes or sales taxes:
  - a. Registered voters; or
  - b. If no registered voters reside in the district, the owners of one or more parcels of real property located within the district per the tax records for real property of the county clerk as of the thirtieth day before the date of the applicable election; and
- 62 (c) For purposes of the election of directors of the board, registered voters and 63 owners of real property which is not exempt from assessment or levy of taxes by the 64 district and which is located within the district per the tax records for real property of 65 the county clerk, or the collector of revenue if the district is located in a city not within 66 a county, of the thirtieth day prior to the date of the applicable election; and

- 67 (15) "Registered voters", persons who reside within the district and who are 68 qualified and registered to vote pursuant to chapter 115, RSMo, pursuant to the records 69 of the election authority as of the thirtieth day prior to the date of the applicable 70 election.
- 67.1461. 1. Each district shall have all the powers, except to the extent any such power has been limited by the petition approved by the governing body of the municipality to establish the district, necessary to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571 including, but not limited to, the following:
- 5 (1) To adopt, amend, and repeal bylaws, not inconsistent with sections 67.1401 to 67.1571, necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- 8 (2) To sue and be sued;
- 9 (3) To make and enter into contracts and other instruments, with public and 10 private entities, necessary or convenient to exercise its powers and carry out its duties 11 pursuant to sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- 12 (4) To accept grants, guarantees and donations of property, labor, services, or 13 other things of value from any public or private source;
- 14 (5) To employ or contract for such managerial, engineering, legal, technical, 15 clerical, accounting, or other assistance as it deems advisable;
- 16 (6) To acquire by purchase, lease, gift, grant, bequest, devise, or otherwise, any 17 real property within its boundaries, personal property, or any interest in such property;
- 18 (7) To sell, lease, exchange, transfer, assign, mortgage, pledge, hypothecate, or 19 otherwise encumber or dispose of any real or personal property or any interest in such 20 property;
- 21 (8) To levy and collect special assessments and taxes as provided in sections 22 67.1401 to 67.1571. However, no such assessments or taxes shall be levied on any 23 property exempt from taxation pursuant to subdivision (5) of section 137.100, 24 RSMo. Those exempt pursuant to subdivision (5) of section 137.100, RSMo, may 25 voluntarily participate in the provisions of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- 26 (9) If the district is a political subdivision, to levy real property taxes and 27 business license taxes in the county seat of a county of the first classification containing 28 a population of at least two hundred thousand, as provided in sections 67.1401 to 29 67.1571. However, no such assessments or taxes shall be levied on any property exempt 30 from taxation pursuant to subdivisions (2) and (5) of section 137.100, RSMo. Those 21 exempt pursuant to subdivisions (2) and (5) of section 137.100, RSMo, may voluntarily 22 participate in the provisions of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;

- 33 (10) If the district is a political subdivision [in a city with a population of at least 34 four hundred thousand located in more than one county], to levy sales taxes pursuant
- 35 to sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- 36 (11) To fix, charge, and collect fees, rents, and other charges for use of any of the 37 following:
- 38 (a) The district's real property, except for public rights-of-way for utilities;
- 39 (b) The district's personal property, except in a city not within a county; or
- 40 (c) Any of the district's interests in such real or personal property, except for 41 public rights-of-way for utilities;
- 42 (12) To borrow money from any public or private source and issue obligations and 43 provide security for the repayment of the same as provided in sections 67.1401 to 44 67.1571;
- 45 (13) To loan money as provided in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- 46 (14) To make expenditures, create reserve funds, and use its revenues as
  47 necessary to carry out its powers or duties and the provisions and purposes of sections
  48 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- 49 (15) To enter into one or more agreements with the municipality for the purpose 50 of abating any public nuisance within the boundaries of the district including, but not 51 limited to, the stabilization, repair or maintenance or demolition and removal of 52 buildings or structures, provided that the municipality has declared the existence of a 53 public nuisance;
- 54 (16) Within its boundaries, to provide assistance to or to construct, reconstruct, 55 install, repair, maintain, and equip any of the following public improvements:
- 56 (a) Pedestrian or shopping malls and plazas;
- 57 (b) Parks, lawns, trees, and any other landscape;
- 58 (c) Convention centers, arenas, aquariums, aviaries, and meeting facilities;
- (d) Sidewalks, streets, alleys, bridges, ramps, tunnels, overpasses and underpasses, traffic signs and signals, utilities, drainage, water, storm and sewer systems, and other site improvements;
- 62 (e) Parking lots, garages, or other facilities;
- 63 (f) Lakes, dams, and waterways;
- 64 (g) Streetscape, lighting, benches or other seating furniture, trash receptacles, 65 marquees, awnings, canopies, walls, and barriers;
- 66 (h) Telephone and information booths, bus stop and other shelters, rest rooms, 67 and kiosks;
- 68 (i) Paintings, murals, display cases, sculptures, and fountains;

- (j) Music, news, and child-care facilities; and
- 70 (k) Any other useful, necessary, or desired improvement;
- 71 (17) To dedicate to the municipality, with the municipality's consent, streets,
- 72 sidewalks, parks, and other real property and improvements located within its
- 73 boundaries for public use;
- 74 (18) Within its boundaries and with the municipality's consent, to prohibit or
- 75 restrict vehicular and pedestrian traffic and vendors on streets, alleys, malls, bridges,
- 76 ramps, sidewalks, and tunnels and to provide the means for access by emergency vehicles
- 77 to or in such areas;
- 78 (19) Within its boundaries, to operate or to contract for the provision of music,
- 79 news, child-care, or parking facilities, and buses, minibuses, or other modes of
- 80 transportation;
- 81 (20) Within its boundaries, to lease space for sidewalk café, tables and chairs;
- 82 (21) Within its boundaries, to provide or contract for the provision of security
- 83 personnel, equipment, or facilities for the protection of property and persons;
- 84 (22) Within its boundaries, to provide or contract for cleaning, maintenance, and
- 85 other services to public and private property;
- 86 (23) To produce and promote any tourism, recreational or cultural activity or
- 87 special event in the district by, but not limited to, advertising, decoration of any public
- 88 place in the district, promotion of such activity and special events, and furnishing music
- 89 in any public place;
- 90 (24) To support business activity and economic development in the district
- 91 including, but not limited to, the promotion of business activity, development and
- 92 retention, and the recruitment of developers and businesses;
- 93 (25) To provide or support training programs for employees of businesses within
- 94 the district;
- 95 (26) To provide refuse collection and disposal services within the district;
- 96 (27) To contract for or conduct economic, planning, marketing or other studies;
- 97 (28) To repair, restore, or maintain any abandoned cemetery on public or private
- 98 land within the district; and
- 99 (29) To carry out any other powers set forth in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571.
- 100 2. Each district which is located in a blighted area or which includes a blighted
- 101 area shall have the following additional powers:
- 102 (1) Within its blighted area, to contract with any private property owner to
- 103 demolish and remove, renovate, reconstruct, or rehabilitate any building or structure
- 104 owned by such private property owner; and

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- 105 (2) To expend its revenues or loan its revenues pursuant to a contract entered 106 into pursuant to this subsection, provided that the governing body of the municipality 107 has determined that the action to be taken pursuant to such contract is reasonably 108 anticipated to remediate the blighting conditions and will serve a public purpose.
- 3. Each district shall annually reimburse the municipality for the reasonable and actual expenses incurred by the municipality to establish such district and review annual budgets and reports of such district required to be submitted to the municipality; provided that, such annual reimbursement shall not exceed one and one-half percent of the revenues collected by the district in such year.
  - 4. Nothing in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571 shall be construed to delegate to any district any sovereign right of municipalities to promote order, safety, health, morals, and general welfare of the public, except those such police powers, if any, expressly delegated pursuant to sections 67.1401 to 67.1571.
  - 5. The governing body of the municipality establishing the district shall not decrease the level of publicly funded services in the district existing prior to the creation of the district or transfer the financial burden of providing the services to the district unless the services at the same time are decreased throughout the municipality, nor shall the governing body discriminate in the provision of the publicly funded services between areas included in such district and areas not so included.
  - 67.1545. 1. Any district [in a city with a population of at least four hundred  $^{2}$ thousand located in more than one county] formed as a political subdivision may impose by resolution a district sales and use tax on all retail sales made in such district which are subject to taxation pursuant to sections 144.010 to 144.525, RSMo, except sales of motor vehicles, trailers, boats or outboard motors and sales to public utilities. Any sales and use tax imposed pursuant to this section may be imposed at a 6 rate of one-eighth of one percent, one-fourth of one percent, three-eighths of one percent, 7 one-half of one percent or one percent. Such district sales and use tax may be imposed 8 for any district purpose designated by the district in its ballot of submission to its 10 qualified voters; except that, no resolution adopted pursuant to this section shall become effective unless the board of directors of the district submits to the qualified voters of the 11 district, by mail-in ballot, a proposal to authorize a sales and use tax pursuant to this 1213 section. If a majority of the votes cast by the qualified voters on the proposed sales tax are in favor of the sales tax, then the resolution is adopted. If a majority of the votes cast 14 by the qualified voters are opposed to the sales tax, then the resolution is void. 15
    - 2. The ballot shall be substantially in the following form:
  - 17 Shall the ...... (insert name of district) Community Improvement District

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- 23 If you are in favor of the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "Yes". If you are opposed to the question, place an "X" in the box opposite "No".
  - 3. Within ten days after the qualified voters have approved the imposition of the sales and use tax, the district shall, in accordance with section 32.097, RSMo, notify the director of the department of revenue. The sales and use tax authorized by this section shall become effective on the first day of the second calendar quarter after the director of the department of revenue receives notice of the adoption of such tax.
- 4. The director of the department of revenue shall collect any tax adopted pursuant to this section pursuant to section 32.087, RSMo.
  - 5. In each district in which a sales and use tax is imposed pursuant to this section, every retailer shall add such additional tax imposed by the district to such retailer's sale price, and when so added such tax shall constitute a part of the purchase price, shall be a debt of the purchaser to the retailer until paid and shall be recoverable at law in the same manner as the purchase price.
  - 6. In order to allow retailers to collect and report the sales and use tax authorized by this section as well as all other sales and use taxes required by law in the simplest and most efficient manner possible, a district may establish appropriate brackets to be used in the district imposing a tax pursuant to this section in lieu of the brackets provided in section 144.285, RSMo.
- 7. The penalties provided in sections 144.010 to 144.525, RSMo, shall apply to violations of this section.
- 8. All revenue received by the district from a sales and use tax imposed pursuant 44 45 to this section which is designated for a specific purpose shall be deposited into a special trust fund and expended solely for such purpose. Upon the expiration of any sales and 46 47 use tax adopted pursuant to this section, all funds remaining in the special trust fund 48 shall continue to be used solely for the specific purpose designated in the resolution adopted by the qualified voters. Any funds in such special trust fund which are not 49 needed for current expenditures may be invested by the board of directors pursuant to 50 applicable laws relating to the investment of other district funds. 51
- 9. A district may repeal by resolution any sales and use tax imposed pursuant to this section before the expiration date of such sales and use tax unless the repeal of

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71.620. 1. Hereafter no person following for a livelihood the profession or calling of minister of the gospel, duly accredited Christian Science practitioner, teacher,  $^{2}$ professor in a college, priest, lawyer, certified public accountant, dentist, chiropractor, optometrist, chiropodist, physician or surgeon in this state shall be taxed or made liable 5 to pay any municipal or other corporation tax or license fee of any description whatever 6 for the privilege of following or carrying on such profession or calling, and, after December 31, 2003, no investment funds service corporation, as defined in section 7 143.451, RSMo, may be required to pay, or shall be taxed or made liable to pay any 8 municipal or other corporation tax or license fee of any description whatever for the 9 privilege of following or carrying on its business or occupation, in excess of or in an 10 aggregate amount exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars annually, any law, ordinance 11 12or charter to the contrary notwithstanding.

- 2. No person following for a livelihood the profession of insurance agent or broker, veterinarian, architect, professional engineer, land surveyor, auctioneer, or real estate broker or salesman in this state shall be taxed or made liable to pay any municipal or other corporation tax or license fee for the privilege of following or carrying on his **or her** profession by a municipality unless that person maintains a business office within that municipality.
- 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, after September 1, 2004, no village with less than one thousand three hundred inhabitants shall impose a business license tax in excess of [ten] fifteen thousand dollars per license.
- 94.578. 1. In addition to the sales tax authorized in section 94.577, the governing body of any home rule city with more than one hundred fifty-one thousand six 4 hundred inhabitants is hereby authorized to impose, by order or ordinance, a sales tax on all retail sales made within the city which are subject to sales tax under chapter 144, RSMo. The tax authorized in this section may be imposed at a rate of one-eighth, one-fourth, three-eighths, or one-half of one percent, but shall not exceed one-half of one percent, shall not be imposed for longer than three years, and shall be imposed solely for the purpose of funding the construction, operation, and maintenance of capital improvements in the city's center city. The governing body may issue bonds for the funding of such capital improvements, which will be retired by the

revenues received from the sales tax authorized by this section. The order or ordinance shall not become effective unless the governing body of the city submits to the voters residing within the city at a state or municipal general, primary, or special election a proposal to authorize the governing body of the city to impose a tax under this section. The tax authorized in this section shall be in addition to all other sales taxes imposed by law, and shall be stated separately from all other charges and taxes.

2. The ballot submission for the tax authorized in this section shall be in substantially the following form:

Shall ....... (insert the name of the city) impose a sales tax at a rate of ......(insert rate of percent) percent for a capital improvements purposes in the city's center city for a period of ...... (insert number of years, not to exceed three) years?

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If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the question, then the tax shall become effective on the first day of the second calendar quarter after the director of revenue receives notice of the adoption of the sales tax. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the question, then the tax shall not become effective unless and until the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters and such question is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question. In no case shall a tax be resubmitted to the qualified voters of the city sooner than twelve months from the date of the proposal under this section.

3. Any sales tax imposed under this section shall be administered, collected, enforced, and operated as required in section 32.087, RSMo. All revenue generated by the tax shall be deposited in a special trust fund and shall be used solely for the designated purposes. If the tax is repealed, all funds remaining in the special trust fund shall continue to be used solely for the designated purposes. Any funds in the special trust fund which are not needed for current expenditures shall be invested in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be credited to the fund.

4. The director of revenue may authorize the state treasurer to make refunds from the amounts in the trust fund and credited to any city for erroneous payments and overpayments made, and may redeem dishonored

checks and drafts deposited to the credit of such cities. If any city abolishes the tax, the city shall notify the director of revenue of the action at least ninety days before the effective date of the repeal, and the director of revenue may order retention in the trust fund, for a period of one year, of two percent of the amount collected after receipt of such notice to cover possible refunds or overpayment of the tax and to redeem dishonored checks and drafts deposited to the credit of such accounts. After one year has elapsed after the effective date of abolition of the tax in such city, the director of revenue shall remit the balance in the account to the city and close the account of that city. The director of revenue shall notify each city of each instance of any amount refunded.

5. The governing body of any city that has adopted the sales tax authorized in this section may submit the question of repeal of the tax to the voters on any date available for elections for the city. The ballot of submission shall be in substantially the following form:

Shall ..... (insert the name of the city) repeal the sales tax imposed at a rate of ...... (insert rate of percent) percent for capital improvements purposes in the city's center city?

 $\Box$  YES  $\Box$  NO

If a majority of the votes cast on the proposal are in favor of repeal, that repeal shall become effective on December thirty-first of the calendar year in which such repeal was approved. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal, then the sales tax authorized in this section shall remain effective until the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters, and the repeal is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question.

6. Whenever the governing body of any city that has adopted the sales tax authorized in this section receives a petition, signed by ten percent of the registered voters of the city voting in the last gubernatorial election, calling for an election to repeal the sales tax imposed under this section, the governing body shall submit to the voters of the city a proposal to repeal the tax. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified voters voting thereon are in favor of the repeal, that repeal shall become effective on December thirty-first of the calendar year in which such repeal was approved. If a majority of the votes cast on the question by the qualified

- voters voting thereon are opposed to the repeal, then the tax shall remain effective until the question is resubmitted under this section to the qualified voters and the repeal is approved by a majority of the qualified voters voting on the question.
- 2 100.255. As used in sections 100.250 to 100.297, the following terms mean:
- 3 (1) "Board", the Missouri development finance board created by section 100.265;
- 4 (2) "Borrower", any person, partnership, public or private corporation,
- 5 association, development agency or any other entity eligible for funding under sections
- 6 100.250 to 100.297;

- (3) "Development agency", any of the following:
- 8 (a) A port authority established pursuant to chapter 68, RSMo;
- 9 (b) The bi-state development agencies established pursuant to sections 70.370 to
- 10 70.440, RSMo, and sections 238.010 to 238.100, RSMo;
- 11 (c) A land clearance for redevelopment authority established pursuant to sections
- 12 99.300 to 99.660, RSMo;
- 13 (d) A county, city, incorporated town or village or other political subdivision or
- 14 public body of this state;
- 15 (e) A planned industrial expansion authority established pursuant to sections
- 16 100.300 to 100.620;
- 17 (f) An industrial development corporation established pursuant to sections
- 18 349.010 to 349.105, RSMo;
- 19 (g) A real property tax increment financing commission established pursuant to
- 20 sections 99.800 to 99.865, RSMo;
- 21 (h) Any other governmental, quasi-governmental or quasi-public corporation or
- 22 entity created by state law or by resolution adopted by the governing body of a
- 23 development agency otherwise described in paragraphs (a) through (g) of this
- 24 subdivision;
- 25 (4) "Development and reserve fund", the industrial development and reserve fund
- 26 established pursuant to section 100.260;
- 27 (5) "Export finance fund", the Missouri export finance fund established pursuant
- 28 to section 100.260;
- 29 (6) "Export trade activities" includes, but is not limited to, consulting,
- 30 international market research, advertising, marketing, insurance, product research and
- 31 design, legal assistance, transportation, including trade documentation and freight
- 32 forwarding, communication, and processing of foreign orders to and for exporters and
- foreign purchases and warehousing, when undertaken to export or facilitate the export

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34 of goods or services produced or assembled in this state;

- 35 (7) "Guarantee fund", the industrial development guarantee fund established by 36 section 100.260;
- 37 (8) "Infrastructure development fund", the infrastructure development fund 38 established under section 100.263;
- (9) "Infrastructure facilities", the highways, streets, bridges, water supply and distribution systems, mass transportation facilities and equipment, telecommunication facilities, jails and prisons, sewers and sewage treatment facilities, wastewater treatment facilities, airports, railroads, reservoirs, dams and waterways in this state, acquisition of blighted real estate and the improvements thereon, demolition of existing structures and preparation of sites in anticipation of development, public facilities, and any other improvements provided by any form of government or development agency;
- 46 (10) "Jobs now fund", the jobs now fund established under section 47 100.260;
  - (11) "Jobs now projects", the purchase, construction, extension, and improvement of real estate, plants, buildings, structures, or facilities, whether or not now in existence, used or to be used primarily as infrastructure facilities, public facilities, or public higher education infrastructure facilities except when any entity provides a certified design or operation plan which is demonstrably less than the usual and customary average industry determination of cost for installation, construction, purchasing, extension, and improvement of real estate, manufacturing facilities, buildings, structures or facilities, including public facilities, or facilities used in public higher education, then the entity or company providing such service may receive payment in an amount equal to the usual and customary fee for such project plus additional compensation equal to two times the percentage by which the cost of such aforementioned criteria of such facility is less than the usual and customary average industrial determination of cost for installation, construction, materials, extension and improvement of real estate, manufacturing facilities, buildings, structures or facilities, including public facilities, or facilities used in public higher education. Such entity shall also pay to such company providing such aforementioned service compensation equal to twenty-five percent of the amount of any annual operational costs which are lower than the customary average industry determination of cost for operation for such facility, procedure, or service for a period of time equal to one-fourth the design lifetime of such entity or five years whichever is less;

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70 (12) "Participating lender", a lender authorized by the board to participate with 71 the board in the making of a loan or to make loans the repayment of which is secured 72 by the development and reserve fund;

73 [(11)] (13) "Project", the purchase, construction, extension, and improvement of real estate, plants, buildings, structures or facilities, whether or not now in existence, 7475 used or to be used primarily as a factory, assembly plant, manufacturing plant, fabricating plant, distribution center, warehouse building, office building, port terminal 76 or facility, transportation and transfer facility, industrial plant, processing plant, 7778 commercial or agricultural facility, nursing or retirement facility or combination thereof, recreational facility, cultural facility, public facilities, job training or other vocational 79 80 training facility, infrastructure facility, video-audio telecommunication conferencing facility, office building, facility for the prevention, reduction, disposal or control of 81 pollution, sewage or solid waste, facility for conducting export trade activities, or 82 83 research and development building in connection with any of the facilities defined as a project in this subdivision. The term "project" shall also include any improvements, 84 including, but not limited to, road or rail construction, alteration or relocation, and 85 construction of facilities to provide utility service for any of the facilities defined as a 86 project under this subdivision, along with any fixtures, equipment, and machinery, and 87 any demolition and relocation expenses used in connection with any such projects and 88 89 any capital used to promote and facilitate such facilities and notes payable from 90 anticipated revenue issued by any development agency;

[(12)] (14) "Public facility", any facility or improvements available for use by the general public including facilities for which user or other fees are charged on a nondiscriminatory basis;

(15) "Public higher education infrastructure facilities", wet labs, research facilities, eligible research equipment of a two or four-year public college or university of the state of Missouri or of a not-for-profit four-year college or university that is located in the state of Missouri that have been reviewed and recommended for a jobs now project loan or grant by the coordinating board for higher education.

100.260. 1. There are hereby created [three] four special funds, to be known as
the "Industrial Development and Reserve Fund" [and], the "Industrial Development
Guarantee Fund", [and] the "Export Finance Fund", and the "Jobs Now Fund", into
which the following may be deposited as and when received and designated for deposit
in one of such funds:

(1) Any moneys appropriated by the general assembly for use by the board in

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- 7 carrying out the powers set forth in sections 100.250 to 100.297;
- 8 (2) Any moneys made available through the issuance of revenue bonds under the 9 provisions of sections 100.250 to 100.295;
- 10 (3) Any moneys received from grants or which are given, donated, or contributed 11 to the fund from any source;
- 12 (4) Any moneys received in repayment of loans or from application fees, reserve 13 participation fees, guarantee fees and premium payments as provided for under sections 14 100.250 to 100.297;
- 15 (5) Any moneys received as interest on deposits or as income on approved investments of the fund;
- 17 (6) Any moneys obtained from the issuance of revenue bonds or notes by the board;
- 19 (7) Any moneys that were in the industrial development fund authorized by this 20 section, the economic development reserve authorized by section 620.215, RSMo, or the 21 industrial revenue bond guarantee fund authorized by section 620.240, RSMo, 22 respectively, as of September 28, 1985; and
  - (8) Any moneys obtained from any other available source.
- 2. The development and reserve fund, the guarantee fund, the jobs now fund, 24and the export finance fund shall be administered by the board as provided in sections 2526 100.250 to 100.297. Separate accounts may be created within the development and 27reserve fund and the guarantee fund for moneys specifically appropriated, donated or 28otherwise received for industrial development purposes. The board may also create such 29other separate accounts within any of such funds as deemed necessary or appropriate by the board to carry out the duties and purposes of sections 100.250 to 100.297. All 30 such separate accounts may be administered by a corporate trustee on behalf of the 31 board upon the terms and conditions established by the board. 32
  - 3. Moneys in the **jobs now fund, the** development and reserve fund, the guarantee fund, and the export finance fund shall be invested by the board in the manner prescribed by the board and any interest earned on invested moneys shall accrue to the benefit of the respective fund.
  - 4. None of the funds and accounts of the board shall be considered a state fund, and money deposited therein may not be appropriated therefrom, nor shall any money deposited therein be subject to the provisions of section 33.080, RSMo[, to the contrary notwithstanding, the development and reserve fund, the guarantee fund and the export finance fund, including any moneys in any of such funds appropriated by the general assembly, shall not lapse at the end of the biennium and the

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which moneys shall be used to make low-interest or interest-free loans, loan guarantees, or grants to local political subdivisions, not-for-profit economic development entities, and to state agencies. The fund may receive funds from the federal government for infrastructure development purposes, but other public or private funds may be received by the board for deposit in the fund. The general assembly may appropriate state moneys to the fund. The infrastructure development fund shall be administered by the board under the provisions of sections 100.250 to 100.297. Any moneys remaining in the fund at the end of any fiscal year shall not revert to the general revenue fund.

2. A "Technology Facilities Trust Fund" shall be established as a sub-account of the infrastructure development fund from which moneys shall be used to guarantee the investment in specialized infrastructure, fixtures, and equipment for technology development and production space in multi-tenant rental property. The general assembly may authorize the use of state moneys to secure the guarantee. The technology facilities trust fund shall be administered by the board under the provisions of sections 100.250 to 100.297. Any moneys remaining in the fund at the end of any fiscal year shall not revert to the general revenue fund.

100.270. The board shall have the power to:

- 2 (1) Sue and be sued in its official name;
- 3 (2) Adopt and use an official seal;
- 4 (3) Confer with agencies of the state and development agencies, and with 5 representatives of business, industry, and labor for the purpose of promoting the 6 economic development of this state;
- (4) Consider and review applications for loans to be made from the development and reserve fund or for loans, bonds or notes to be made by or secured by the development and reserve fund, the guarantee fund, the export finance fund or the infrastructure development fund or any other available money, under sections 100.250 to 100.297, and for grants, loans, bonds, or notes to be made by or secured by the jobs now fund;
  - (5) Enter into agreements with development agencies, borrowers, participating lenders and others to implement any of the provisions of sections 100.250 to 100.297;
- 15 (6) Direct disbursements from the development and reserve fund, the guarantee 16 fund, the export finance fund, [and] the infrastructure development fund, and the jobs

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- (7) Administer the development and reserve fund, the guarantee fund, the export finance fund, [and] the infrastructure development fund, and the jobs now fund and invest any portion of such funds not required for immediate disbursement in obligations of the United States, or any agency or instrumentality of the United States, in obligations of the state of Missouri and its political subdivisions, in certificates of deposit and time deposits or other obligations of banks and savings and loan associations or in such other obligations as may be prescribed by the board;
  - (8) Apply for and accept gifts, grants, appropriations, loans or contributions to the development and reserve fund, the guarantee fund, the export finance fund, [and] the infrastructure development fund, and the jobs now fund from any source, public or private, and enter into contracts or other transactions with any federal or state agency, any development agency, private organization, or any other source in furtherance of the purposes of sections 100.250 to 100.297, and do any and all things necessary in order to avail itself of such aid and cooperation;
- 32 (9) Issue, from time to time, its negotiable revenue bonds or notes in such 33 principal amounts as, in its opinion, shall be necessary to provide sufficient funds for 34 achieving its purposes;
- 35 (10) Establish reserves to secure bonds, notes and loans issued or made by the 36 board, development agencies or participating lenders;
- 37 (11) Make, purchase, or participate in the making or purchase, of loans, bonds, 38 or notes to finance the costs of projects;
- 39 (12) Procure insurance, letters of credit, or other form of credit enhancement, to 40 secure the payment of principal and interest on any loans, bonds or notes or other 41 obligations of the board;
- 42 (13) Purchase, receive, take by grant, gift, devise, bequest or otherwise, lease, or 43 otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, employ, use and otherwise deal in and with, real 44 or personal property, or any interest therein, wherever situated;
- 45 (14) Sell, convey, lease, exchange, transfer or otherwise dispose of, all or any of 46 its property, or any interest therein, wherever situated;
- 47 (15) Conduct hearings and other methods of examination, and authorize any of 48 its members to do so, on any matter material for its information and necessary to the 49 exercise of the duties of the board;
- 50 (16) Employ and fix the compensation of an executive director and such other 51 agents or employees as it considers necessary;
- 52 (17) Adopt, alter, or repeal its own bylaws, rules, and regulations governing the

53 manner in which its business may be transacted;

- (18) Assess or charge a fee for each application it receives for funding for a project or a jobs now project and assess or charge other fees as the board determines to be reasonable to carry out its purposes, including, but not limited to, fees or premiums for loans made from the development and reserve fund and the export finance fund and for loans, bonds or notes secured by the development and reserve fund, the guarantee fund, the export finance fund or the infrastructure development fund or the jobs now fund;
- 61 (19) Make all expenditures which are incident and necessary to carry out its 62 purposes and powers;
  - (20) Take such action, enter into such agreements and exercise all other powers and functions necessary or appropriate to carry out the duties and purposes set forth in sections 100.250 to 100.297;
  - (21) Insure, coinsure, guarantee loans and make loans relating to qualified export transactions and adopt criteria, by means of rules and regulations, establishing which exporters shall be eligible for the insurance, coinsurance, loan guarantees and loans which may be extended by the board;
  - (22) Do all things necessary to ensure full participation by the state of Missouri in any federal program which may relate to the construction, repair, replacement or further development of the infrastructure of the state and its political subdivisions;
  - (23) Receive funds from the federal government for deposit into the infrastructure development fund or the jobs now fund and authorize disbursements therefrom [in accordance with appropriations]. The board may enter into agreements with agencies of the federal government and may, on behalf of the state of Missouri, do all things necessary to ensure full participation by the state of Missouri in any federal program which may relate to the repair, replacement or further development of the infrastructure of the state and its political subdivisions;
  - (24) Set guidelines and priorities for loans, loan guarantees or grants from the infrastructure development fund. The board is the sole state agency authorized to set such guidelines and priorities with respect to the infrastructure development fund on behalf of the state or any of its political subdivisions, and loans, loan guarantees, or grants shall only be made upon approval of the board;
  - (25) Make equity investments in or otherwise acquire ownership interests in: for-profit and not-for-profit federal- or state-authorized community development corporations; small business investment companies, including minority or specialized small business investment companies; and microloan corporations and similar lending

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89 institutions, when such investments are deemed to enhance the benefit of the public; 90 [and]

(26) Make investments in Missouri certified capital companies, as defined by subdivision (7) of subsection 2 of section 135.500, RSMo, or other investment companies for investment in qualified Missouri businesses, as defined by subdivision (14) of subsection 2 of section 135.500, RSMo. All investments made by the board for the eventual investment in qualified Missouri businesses shall be matched by an equivalent investment made by the certified capital company or other investment firm for investment into qualified Missouri businesses. All investments made into Missouri qualified businesses under the provisions of this subdivision shall be in the form of equity or unsecured debt financing. No investment shall be made by the board under the provisions of this subdivision without the approval of the director of the department of economic development; and

## (27) Make loans and grants from the jobs now fund in accordance with the provisions of section 100.293.

100.275. 1. The board may at any time issue revenue bonds for the purpose of paying any part of the cost of any project or projects, or part thereof, for the purpose of initially providing money for the jobs now fund, and for the purpose of 3 refunding any of its bonds or the bonds of any development agency. Every issue of its bonds shall be payable out of the revenues of the board which may be pledged for such 5 payment, and in the case of the bonds issued to initially provide money for the jobs now fund, shall be payable from funds appropriated by the general assembly for said purpose, without preference or priority of the first bonds issued, 8 subject to any agreement with the holders of any other bonds or pledging any specified 10 revenues. The bonds shall be authorized by resolution of the board, shall bear such date or dates, and shall mature at such time or times, but not in excess of thirty years, as the 11 resolution of the board shall specify. The bonds shall be in such denominations, bear 12 interest at such rates, be in such form, either coupon or registered, be issued in such 13 manner, be payable in such place or places and be subject to redemption as such 14 resolution may provide. The bonds of the board may be sold at public or private sale, as 15 the board may specify, at such price or prices as the board shall determine, but at not 16 less than ninety-five percent of the principal amount thereof, and at such interest rate 17 18 as the board shall determine, notwithstanding the provisions of section 108.170, RSMo.

2. The board may issue notes payable from the proceeds of bonds to be issued in the future or from such other sources as the board may specify as in the case of bonds. Such notes shall mature in not more than five years and shall be sold at public  $^{29}$ 

- or private sale, as the board may specify, at not less than ninety-five percent of the principal amount thereof and at such interest rate as the board shall determine, notwithstanding the provisions of section 108.170, RSMo. The other details with respect to such notes shall be determined by the board as in the case of bonds.
- 3. The state shall not be liable on any notes or bonds of the board. Such notes or bonds shall not be a debt of the state and shall contain on the faces thereof a statement to such effect.
  - 4. No member of the board nor any person authorized to execute notes or bonds of the board shall be liable personally on such notes or bonds or shall be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the issuance thereof.
  - 5. The notes and bonds of the board are securities in which all public bodies and political subdivisions of this state; all insurance companies and associations and all other persons carrying on an insurance business; all banks, trust companies, saving associations, savings and loan associations, credit unions, and investment companies; all administrators, guardians, executors, trustees, and other fiduciaries; and all other persons who now or may hereafter be authorized to invest in notes and bonds or other obligations of this state may properly and legally invest funds, including capital, in their control or belonging to them.
  - 6. The board shall not be required to pay any taxes or any assessments whatsoever to this state, any political subdivision of this state, or any other governmental agency of this state. The notes and bonds of the board, and the income therefrom, shall, at all times, be exempt from any taxes and any assessments, except for estate taxes, gift taxes, and taxes on transfers.
  - 7. Nothing contained in sections 100.250 to 100.297 shall be deemed to constitute a use of state funds or credit in violation of the provisions of article III, sections 37, 38(a) and 39, of the Missouri Constitution.
- 8. The board shall have the power to contract with any development agency to perform any governmental service, activity or undertaking which the contracting development agency is authorized by law to perform or to issue any bonds or notes which the contracting development agency is authorized by law to issue. Any such contract shall be authorized by the governing body of the development agency and by the board and shall state the purpose of the contract and the powers and duties of the parties thereunder. Any bonds or notes issued by the board on behalf of a development agency shall be entitled to the same security as if such bonds or notes were issued directly by the development agency. In addition to any other security for such bonds or notes, the board may secure such bonds, notes or other indebtedness, except for bonds issued

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to initially provide money for the jobs now fund, in the manner described in section 100.297. No bonds shall be issued after December 31, 2015, to provide money for the jobs now fund.

100.277. Funds expended for projects authorized in sections 100.255 to 2 100.293, shall provide appropriate employment and business opportunities for participation by minority, women, and disadvantaged business enterprises in 4 compliance with all state laws, rules, and regulations.

100.281. 1. A request for a loan from the development and reserve fund, the infrastructure development fund or the export finance fund to fund export trade activities or to carry out a project shall be in the form of an application for the project to the board, which application shall be in such form as the board may specify. After reviewing the application and such other information as the board may require, the board may grant all or a part of the loan request, provided the board determines that:

- (1) The project will be a benefit to the economy or infrastructure of the state;
- 8 (2) The project will generate sufficient revenues or the borrower will otherwise 9 have sufficient revenues available to enable the borrower to repay the loan to the 10 development and reserve fund, the infrastructure development fund or the export finance 11 fund, along with any interest to be charged; and
- 12 (3) In the case of an infrastructure facility project, the loan will not exceed ten 13 million dollars.
  - 2. [When the board makes a loan under the provisions of sections 100.250 to 100.297, copies of all documents filed in support of the loan application and copies of all agreements, notes, evidence of debts, or security agreements connected with such loan may be forwarded to the department of economic development, and if so forwarded, that department shall thereafter be responsible for the administration of such agreements; but the board shall not transfer or assign any of its interests under any of such agreements to the department of economic development. In the event of a substantial default in the terms of any such agreements, the department of economic development shall notify the board in order that the board may take whatever steps it deems necessary to protect its interests.
  - 3.] Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, all development agencies, as defined in section 100.255, shall have the power to borrow funds from the board for any project, to contract with the board, and to furnish a security interest in any of their revenues or properties to the board to secure a loan from the board and to issue notes in evidence thereof upon such terms as such development agencies shall determine.
    - [4.] 3. When the board issues bonds to provide loans for more than one

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100.286. 1. Within the discretion of the board, the development and reserve fund, the infrastructure development fund or the export finance fund may be pledged to secure the payment of any bonds or notes issued by the board, or to secure the payment of any loan made by the board or a participating lender which loan:

- (1) Is requested to finance any project or export trade activity;
- (2) Is requested by a borrower who is demonstrated to be financially responsible;
- (3) Can reasonably be expected to provide a benefit to the economy of this state;
- 8 (4) Is otherwise secured by a mortgage or deed of trust on real or personal 9 property or other security satisfactory to the board; provided that loans to finance export 10 trade activities may be secured by export accounts receivable or inventories of exportable 11 goods satisfactory to the board;
  - (5) Does not exceed five million dollars;
- 13 (6) Does not have a term longer than [five] seven years if such loan is made to 14 finance export trade activities; and
- 15 (7) Is, when used to finance export trade activities, made to small or medium size 16 businesses or agricultural businesses, as may be defined by the board; or
  - (8) Does not exceed ten million dollars, to secure against the tenant vacating the facility, for the purposes of collateral to guaranty facility improvement costs at the collateralized rates provided in this subdivision. Payment from the fund for a tenant vacating the facility shall only be made if the property is not rented to a similar tenant within one year of the prior tenant vacating the facility. Collateralization for facilities improvement costs shall be at a rate of eighty percent in the first year; at a rate of seventy percent in the second year; at a rate of sixty percent in the third year; at a rate of fifty percent in the fourth year; at a rate of forty percent in the fifth year; at a rate of thirty percent in the sixth year; and at a rate of twenty percent in the seventh year.
  - 2. The board shall prescribe standards for the evaluation of the financial condition, business history, and qualifications of each borrower and the terms and conditions of loans which may be secured, and may require each application to include a financial report and evaluation by an independent certified public accounting firm, in addition to such examination and evaluation as may be conducted by any participating lender.
    - 3. Each application for a loan secured by the development and reserve fund, the

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infrastructure development fund or the export finance fund shall be reviewed in the first instance by any participating lender to whom the application was submitted. If satisfied that the standards prescribed by the board are met and that the loan is otherwise eligible to be secured by the development and reserve fund, the infrastructure development fund or the export finance fund, the participating lender shall certify the same and forward the application for final approval to the board.

- 4. The securing of any loans by the development and reserve fund, the infrastructure development fund or the export finance fund shall be conditioned upon approval of the application by the board, and receipt of an annual reserve participation fee, as prescribed by the board, submitted by or on behalf of the borrower.
- 5. The securing of any loan by the export finance fund for export trade activities shall be conditioned upon the board's compliance with any applicable treaties and international agreements, such as the general agreement on tariffs and trade and the subsidies code, to which the United States is then a party.
- 6. Any taxpayer shall be entitled to a tax credit against any tax otherwise due under the provisions of chapter 143, RSMo, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.261, RSMo, chapter 147, RSMo, or chapter 148, RSMo, in the amount of fifty percent of any amount contributed in money or property by the taxpayer to the development and reserve fund, the infrastructure development fund or the export finance fund during the taxpayer's tax year, provided, however, the total tax credits awarded in any calendar year beginning after January 1, 1994, shall not be the greater of ten million dollars or five percent of the average growth in general revenue receipts in the preceding three fiscal years. This limit may be exceeded only upon joint agreement by the commissioner of administration, the director of the department of economic development, and the director of the department of revenue that such action is essential to ensure retention or attraction of investment in Missouri. If the board receives, as a contribution, real property, the contributor at such contributor's own expense shall have two independent appraisals conducted by appraisers certified by the Master Appraisal Institute. Both appraisals shall be submitted to the board, and the tax credit certified by the board to the contributor shall be based upon the value of the lower of the two appraisals. The board shall not certify the tax credit until the property is deeded to the board. Such credit shall not apply to reserve participation fees paid by borrowers under sections 100.250 to 100.297. The portion of earned tax credits which exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability may be carried forward for up to five years.
- 7. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any taxpayer may sell, assign, exchange, convey or otherwise transfer tax credits allowed in subsection 6 of this

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section under the terms and conditions prescribed in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection. Such taxpayer, hereinafter the assignor for the purpose of this subsection, may sell, assign, exchange or otherwise transfer earned tax credits:

- (1) For no less than seventy-five percent of the par value of such credits; and
- (2) In an amount not to exceed one hundred percent of annual earned credits. 7576 The taxpayer acquiring earned credits, hereinafter the assignee for the purpose of this 77 subsection, may use the acquired credits to offset up to one hundred percent of the tax 78liabilities otherwise imposed by chapter 143, RSMo, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.261, RSMo, chapter 147, RSMo, or chapter 148, 79 RSMo. Unused credits in the hands of the assignee may be carried forward for up to five 80 years, provided all such credits shall be claimed within ten years following the tax years 81 in which the contribution was made. The assignor shall enter into a written agreement 82 with the assignee establishing the terms and conditions of the agreement and shall 83 perfect such transfer by notifying the board in writing within thirty calendar days 84 following the effective day of the transfer and shall provide any information as may be 85 required by the board to administer and carry out the provisions of this 86 section. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the amount received 87 by the assignor of such tax credit shall be taxable as income of the assignor, and the 88 excess of the par value of such credit over the amount paid by the assignee for such 89 90 credit shall be taxable as income of the assignee.
- 100.293. 1. There shall be created a "Jobs Now Recommendation Committee", comprised of representatives of the department of economic development, the department of agriculture, the department of natural resources, and the department of transportation. The committee shall establish application materials and procedures for development agencies to apply to the board for grants or low-interest or interest-free loans for the purpose of funding jobs now projects.
- 2. Applications shall be submitted simultaneously to the committee and the board. The committee shall review the applications and prepare and submit analyses and recommendations to the board for a determination as to approval or denial of grants or loans from the jobs now fund.
  - 3. After reviewing applications and such other information as the board may require, the board may grant all or a part of a grant or loan request, provided the board determines:
    - (1) The jobs now project:
- 16 (a) Will not happen without the grant or loan from the board; or

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- 17 (b) Will have a significant local economic impact; or
  - (c) Demonstrates high levels of job creation;
- (2) In the case of a low-interest or interest-free loan, the jobs now project will generate sufficient revenues or the borrower will otherwise have sufficient revenues available to enable the borrower to repay the loan to the jobs now fund, along with any interest to be charged; and
  - (3) No loan or grant may exceed five million dollars.
  - 4. Of the total moneys available for grants and loans for jobs now projects, twenty percent shall be set aside for loans and grants that otherwise meet the requirements of subsection 3 of this section, but that also will be used to leverage additional matching federal or non-state funds.
  - 5. Of the total moneys available for grants and loans for jobs now projects, twenty percent shall be set aside for loans and grants that otherwise meet the requirements of subsection 3 of this section, but are for public higher education infrastructure facilities that have a high probability of creating jobs for the future in targeted industries.
- 6. The set-asides in subsections 4 and 5 of this section shall in no way prohibit such projects to apply for grants or loans from the non set-aside portion of the jobs now fund.
- 2 100.710. As used in sections 100.700 to 100.850, the following terms mean:
- 3 (1) "Assessment", an amount of up to five percent of the gross wages paid in one 4 year by an eligible industry to all eligible employees in new jobs, or up to ten percent if 5 the economic development project is located within a distressed community as defined 6 in section 135.530, RSMo;
- 7 (2) "Board", the Missouri development finance board as created by section 8 100.265;
- 9 (3) "Certificates", the revenue bonds or notes authorized to be issued by the board 10 pursuant to section 100.840;
- 11 (4) "Credit", the amount agreed to between the board and an eligible industry, 12 but not to exceed the assessment attributable to the eligible industry's project;
- 13 (5) "Department", the Missouri department of economic development;
- 14 (6) "Director", the director of the department of economic development;
- 15 (7) "Economic development project":
- 16 (a) The acquisition of any real property by the board, the eligible industry, or its affiliate; or
- 18 (b) The fee ownership of real property by the eligible industry or its affiliate; and

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- (c) For both paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subdivision, "economic development project" shall also include the development of the real property including construction, installation, or equipping of a project, including fixtures and equipment, and facilities necessary or desirable for improvement of the real property, including surveys; site tests and inspections; subsurface site work; excavation; removal of structures, roadways, cemeteries and other surface obstructions; filling, grading and provision of drainage, storm water retention, installation of utilities such as water, sewer, sewage treatment, gas, electricity, communications and similar facilities; off-site construction of utility extensions to the boundaries of the real property; and the acquisition, installation, or equipping of facilities on the real property, for use and occupancy by the eligible industry or its affiliates;
- (8) "Eligible employee", a person employed on a full-time basis in a new job at the economic development project averaging at least thirty-five hours per week who was not employed by the eligible industry or a related taxpayer in this state at any time during the twelve-month period immediately prior to being employed at the economic development project. For an essential industry, a person employed on a full-time basis in an existing job at the economic development project averaging at least thirty-five hours per week may be considered an eligible employee for the purposes of the program authorized by sections 100.700 to 100.850;
- (9) "Eligible industry", a business located within the state of Missouri which is engaged in interstate or intrastate commerce for the purpose of manufacturing, processing or assembling products, conducting research and development, or providing services in interstate commerce, office industries, or agricultural processing, but excluding retail, health or professional services. "Eligible industry" does not include a business which closes or substantially reduces its operation at one location in the state and relocates substantially the same operation to another location in the state. This does not prohibit a business from expanding its operations at another location in the state provided that existing operations of a similar nature located within the state are not closed or substantially reduced. This also does not prohibit a business from moving its operations from one location in the state to another location in the state for the purpose of expanding such operation provided that the board determines that such expansion cannot reasonably be accommodated within the municipality in which such business is located, or in the case of a business located in an incorporated area of the county, within the county in which such business is located, after conferring with the chief elected official of such municipality or county and taking into consideration any evidence offered by such municipality or county regarding the ability to accommodate

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55 such expansion within such municipality or county. An eligible industry must:

- (a) Invest a minimum of fifteen million dollars, or ten million dollars for an office industry, in an economic development project; and
- (b) Create a minimum of one hundred new jobs for eligible employees at the economic development project or a minimum of five hundred jobs if the economic development project is an office industry or a minimum of two hundred new jobs if the economic development project is an office industry located within a distressed community as defined in section 135.530, RSMo, in the case of an approved company for a project for a world headquarters of a business whose primary function is tax return preparation in any home rule city with more than four hundred thousand inhabitants and located in more than one county, create a minimum or one hundred new jobs for eligible employees at the economic development project. An industry that meets the definition of "essential industry" may be considered an eligible industry for the purposes of the program authorized by sections 100.700 to 100.850;
- 70 (10) "Essential industry", a business that otherwise meets the definition of 71 eligible industry except an essential industry shall:
  - (a) Be a targeted industry;
- (b) Be located in a home rule city with more than twenty-six thousand but less than twenty-seven thousand inhabitants located in any county with a charter form of government and with more than one million inhabitants;
  - (c) Have maintained at least two thousand jobs at the proposed economic development project site each year for a period of four years preceding the year in which application for the program authorized by sections 100.700 to 100.850 is made and during the year in which said application is made;
  - (d) For the duration of the certificates, retain at the proposed economic development project site the level of employment that existed at the site in the taxable year immediately preceding the year in which application for the program authorized by sections 100.700 to 100.850 is made; and
- 84 (e) Invest a minimum of five hundred million dollars in the economic 85 development project by the end of the third year after the issuance of the certificates 86 under this program;
- 87 (11) "New job", a job in a new or expanding eligible industry not including jobs 88 of recalled workers, replacement jobs or jobs that formerly existed in the eligible 89 industry in the state. For an essential industry, an existing job may be considered a new 90 job for the purposes of the program authorized by sections 100.700 to 100.850;

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- 91 (12) "Office industry", a regional, national or international headquarters, a 92 telecommunications operation, a computer operation, an insurance company, or a credit 93 card billing and processing center;
- 94 (13) "Program costs", all necessary and incidental costs of providing program 95 services including payment of the principal of premium, if any, and interest on 96 certificates, including capitalized interest, issued to finance a project, and funding and 97 maintenance of a debt service reserve fund to secure such certificates. Program costs 98 shall include:
- 99 (a) Obligations incurred for labor and obligations incurred to contractors, 100 subcontractors, builders and materialmen in connection with the acquisition, 101 construction, installation or equipping of an economic development project;
  - (b) The cost of acquiring land or rights in land and any cost incidental thereto, including recording fees;
  - (c) The cost of contract bonds and of insurance of all kinds that may be required or necessary during the course of acquisition, construction, installation or equipping of an economic development project which is not paid by the contractor or contractors or otherwise provided for;
  - (d) All costs of architectural and engineering services, including test borings, surveys, estimates, plans and specifications, preliminary investigations and supervision of construction, as well as the costs for the performance of all the duties required by or consequent upon the acquisition, construction, installation or equipping of an economic development project;
- (e) All costs which are required to be paid under the terms of any contract or contracts for the acquisition, construction, installation or equipping of an economic development project; and
- 116 (f) All other costs of a nature comparable to those described in this subdivision;
- 117 (14) "Program services", administrative expenses of the board, including 118 contracted professional services, and the cost of issuance of certificates;
- 119 (15) "Targeted industry", an industry or one of a cluster of industries that is 120 identified by the department as critical to the state's economic security and growth and 121 affirmed as such by the joint committee on economic development policy and planning 122 established in section 620.602, RSMo.
  - [100.850. 1. The approved company shall remit to the board a job development assessment fee, not to exceed five percent of the gross wages of each eligible employee whose job was created as a result of the economic development project, or not to exceed ten percent if the economic

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development project is located within a distressed community as defined in section 135.530, RSMo, for the purpose of retiring bonds which fund the economic development project.

- 2. Any approved company remitting an assessment as provided in subsection 1 of this section shall make its payroll books and records available to the board at such reasonable times as the board shall request and shall file with the board documentation respecting the assessment as the board may require.
- 3. Any assessment remitted pursuant to subsection 1 of this section shall cease on the date the bonds are retired.
- 4. Any approved company which has paid an assessment for debt reduction shall be allowed a tax credit equal to the amount of the assessment. The tax credit may be claimed against taxes otherwise imposed by chapters 143 and 148, RSMo, except withholding taxes imposed under the provisions of sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, which were incurred during the tax period in which the assessment was made.
- 5. In no event shall the aggregate amount of tax credits authorized by subsection 4 of this section exceed eleven million dollars annually.
- 6. The director of revenue shall issue a refund to the approved company to the extent that the amount of credits allowed in subsection 4 of this section exceeds the amount of the approved company's income tax.]
- 100.850. 1. The approved company shall remit to the board a job development assessment fee, not to exceed five percent of the gross wages of each eligible employee whose job was created as a result of the economic development project, or not to exceed ten percent if the economic development project is located within a distressed community as defined in section 135.530, RSMo, for the purpose of retiring bonds which fund the economic development project.
- 2. Any approved company remitting an assessment as provided in subsection 1 of this section shall make its payroll books and records available to the board at such reasonable times as the board shall request and shall file with the board documentation respecting the assessment as the board may require.
  - 3. Any assessment remitted pursuant to subsection 1 of this section shall cease on the date the bonds are retired.
- 4. Any approved company which has paid an assessment for debt reduction shall be allowed a tax credit equal to the amount of the assessment. The tax credit may be claimed against taxes otherwise imposed by chapters 143 and 148, RSMo, except

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- withholding taxes imposed under the provisions of sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, which were incurred during the tax period in which the assessment was made.
- 5. In no event shall the aggregate amount of tax credits authorized by subsection4 of this section exceed [eleven] fifteen million dollars annually.
- 6. The director of revenue shall issue a refund to the approved company to the extent that the amount of credits allowed in subsection 4 of this section exceeds the amount of the approved company's income tax.
  - 135.155. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2005, no tax credits shall be approved, awarded, or issued to any person or entity claiming any tax credit under sections 135.100 to 135.150.
- 135.207. 1. (1) Any city with a population of at least three hundred fifty thousand inhabitants which is located in more than one county and any city not within a county, which includes an existing state designated enterprise zone within the corporate limits of the city may each, upon approval of the local governing authority of the city and the director of the department of economic development, designate up to three satellite zones within its corporate limits. A prerequisite for the designation of a satellite zone shall be the approval by the director of a plan submitted by the local governing authority of the city describing how the satellite zone corresponds to the city's overall enterprise zone strategy.
  - (2) Any Missouri community classified as a village whose borders lie adjacent to a city with a population in excess of three hundred fifty thousand inhabitants as described in subdivision (1) of this subsection, and which has within the corporate limits of the village a factory, mining operation, office, mill, plant or warehouse which has at least three thousand employees and has an investment in plant, machinery and equipment of at least two hundred million dollars may, upon securing approval of the director and the local governing authorities of the village and the adjacent city which contains an existing state-designated enterprise zone, designate one satellite zone to be located within the corporate limits of the village, such zone to be in addition to the six authorized in subdivision (1) of this subsection.
  - (3) Any geographical area partially contained within any city not within a county and partially contained within any county of the first classification with a charter form of government with a population of nine hundred thousand or more inhabitants, which area is comprised of a total population of at least four thousand inhabitants but not more than seventy-two thousand inhabitants, and which area consists of at least one fourth class city, and has within its boundaries a military reserve facility and a utility pumping station having a capacity of ten million cubic feet, may, upon securing approval of the

director and the appropriate local governing authorities as provided for in section 135.210, be designated as a satellite zone, such zone to be in addition to the six authorized in subdivision (1) of this subsection.

- (4) In addition to all other satellite zones authorized in this section, any home rule city with more than seventy-three thousand but less than seventy-five thousand inhabitants, which includes an existing state-designated enterprise zone within the corporate limits of the city, may, upon approval of the local governing authority of the city and director of the department of economic development, designate a satellite zone within its corporate limits. A prerequisite for the designation of a satellite zone pursuant to this subdivision shall be the approval by the director of the department of economic development of a plan submitted by the local governing authority of such city describing how the satellite zone corresponds to the city's overall enterprise zone strategy.
- (5) In addition to all other satellite zones authorized in this section, any home rule city with more than one hundred thirteen thousand two hundred but less than one hundred thirteen thousand three hundred inhabitants, which includes an existing state-designated enterprise zone within the corporate limits of the city, may, upon approval of the local governing authority of the city and director of the department of economic development, designate a satellite zone within its corporate limits along the southwest corner of any intersection of two United States interstate highways. A prerequisite for the designation of a satellite zone pursuant to this subdivision shall be the approval by the director of the department of economic development of a plan submitted by the local governing authority of such city describing how the satellite zone corresponds to the city's overall enterprise zone strategy.
- (6) In addition to all other satellite zones authorized in this section, any home rule city with more than one hundred fifty-one thousand five hundred but less than one hundred fifty-one thousand six hundred inhabitants which includes an existing state-designated enterprise zone within the corporate limits of the city may, upon approval of the governing authority of the city and the director of the department of economic development, designate one satellite zone within its corporate limits. No satellite zone shall be designated pursuant to this subdivision until the governing authority of the city submits a plan describing how the satellite zone corresponds to the city's overall enterprise zone strategy and the director approves the plan.
- (7) In addition to all other satellite zones authorized in this section, any city of the fourth classification with more than three thousand eight hundred but less than four thousand inhabitants and located in more than

one county and which city lies adjacent to any home rule city with more than one hundred thirteen thousand two hundred but less than one hundred thirteen thousand three hundred inhabitants and which contains an enterprise zone may, upon approval of the director and the governing authorities of the city of the fourth classification and the home rule city, designate one satellite zone within its corporate limits. The satellite enterprise zone authorized by this subsection shall be designated only if it meets the criteria established by subsection 2 of this section. Retail businesses, as identified by the 1997 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) sector numbers 44-45, located within the satellite enterprise zone shall be eligible for all benefits provided under the provisions of sections 135.200 to 135.258. 

- 2. For satellite zones designated pursuant to the provisions of subdivisions (1) and (3) of subsection 1 of this section, the satellite zones, in conjunction with the existing state-designated enterprise zone shall meet the following criteria:
- (1) The area is one of pervasive poverty, unemployment, and general distress, or one in which a large number of jobs have been lost, a large number of employers have closed, or in which a large percentage of available production capacity is idle. For the purpose of this subdivision, "large number of jobs" means one percent or more of the area's population according to the most recent decennial census, and "large number of employers" means over five;
- (2) At least fifty percent of the residents living in the area have incomes below eighty percent of the median income of all residents within the state of Missouri according to the last decennial census or other appropriate source as approved by the director;
- (3) The resident population of the existing state-designated enterprise zone and its satellite zones must be at least four thousand but not more than seventy-two thousand at the time of designation;
- (4) The level of unemployment of persons, according to the most recent data available from the division of employment security or from the United States Bureau of Census and approved by the director, within the area exceeds one and one-half times the average rate of unemployment for the state of Missouri over the previous twelve months, or the percentage of area residents employed on a full-time basis is less than sixty percent of the statewide percentage of residents employed on a full-time basis.
- 3. A qualified business located within a satellite zone shall be subject to the same eligibility criteria and can be eligible to receive the same benefits as a qualified facility

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99 in sections 135.200 to [135.255] **135.258**.

135.212. 1. In addition to any other enterprise zones authorized in this chapter, the department of economic development shall designate one enterprise zone in any county of the third classification without a township form of government and with more than thirty-two thousand five hundred but less than thirty-two thousand six hundred inhabitants. Such enterprise zone designations shall have the same boundaries as such county, and shall only be made if the area to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.

- 2. In addition to any other enterprise zones authorized in this chapter, the department of economic development shall designate one enterprise zone that shall have boundaries that are the same as any city of the fourth classification with more than one thousand eight hundred but less than one thousand nine hundred inhabitants and located in three counties. Such enterprise zone designation shall only be made if the area that is to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.
- 3. In addition to any other enterprise zones authorized in this chapter, the department of economic development shall designate one enterprise zone that shall have boundaries that are the same as any city of the fourth classification with more than one thousand but less than one thousand one hundred inhabitants and located in any county of the third classification without a township form of government and with more than forty-one thousand one hundred but less than forty-one thousand two hundred inhabitants. Such enterprise zone designation shall only be made if the area that is to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.
- 4. In addition to any other enterprise zones authorized in this chapter, the department of economic development shall designate one enterprise zone that shall have boundaries that are the same as any city of the fourth classification with more than twelve thousand one hundred but less than twelve thousand four hundred inhabitants. Such enterprise zone designation shall only be made if the area that is to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.
- 5. In addition to any other enterprise zones authorized in this chapter, the department of economic development shall designate one enterprise zone that shall have boundaries that are the same as any city of the fourth classification with more than nine thousand six hundred but less than nine

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thousand seven hundred inhabitants. Such enterprise zone designation shall only be made if the area that is to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.

- 6. In addition to any other enterprise zones authorized pursuant to this chapter, the department of economic development shall designate one enterprise zone that shall have boundaries that are the same as any county of the third classification without a township form of government and with more than thirteen thousand seventy-five but less than thirteen thousand one hundred seventy-five inhabitants. Such enterprise zone designation shall only be made if the area that is to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.
- 7. In addition to any other enterprise zones authorized in this chapter, the department of economic development shall designate one enterprise zone in the portions of any city of the fourth classification with more than three thousand eight hundred but less than four thousand inhabitants and located in more than one county and any home rule city with more than one hundred thirteen thousand two hundred but less than one hundred thirteen thousand three hundred inhabitants which include a political subdivision that receives a portion of its funding from section 163.031, RSMo, and is located in part in any home rule city with more than four hundred thousand inhabitants and located in more than one county. Such enterprise zone shall only be made if the area to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.
- 8. In addition to any other enterprise zones authorized pursuant to this chapter, the department of economic development shall designate one enterprise zone that shall have boundaries that are the same as any city of the fourth classification with more than four thousand three hundred but less than four thousand five hundred located in a county of the first classification with more than ninety-three thousand eight hundred but less than ninety-three thousand nine hundred inhabitants. Such enterprise zone designation shall only be made if the area that is to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.
- 9. In addition to any other enterprise zones authorized pursuant to this chapter, the department of economic development shall designate one enterprise zone that shall have boundaries that are the same as any city of the fourth classification with more than five thousand four hundred but less than five thousand five hundred inhabitants and located in more than one

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10. In addition to any other enterprise zones authorized in this chapter, the department of economic development shall designate one enterprise zone that shall be located partially in any city of the fourth classification with more than twelve thousand one hundred but less than twelve thousand four hundred inhabitants and partially in any city of the fourth classification with more than nine thousand six hundred but less than nine thousand seven hundred inhabitants and shall include all area in between any city of the fourth classification with more than twelve thousand one hundred but less than twelve thousand four hundred inhabitants and any city of the fourth classification with more than nine thousand six hundred but less than nine thousand seven hundred inhabitants with specific boundaries to be determined by the department of economic development in conjunction with the governing authority of the county. Such enterprise zone designation shall only be made if the area that is to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.

11. In addition to any other enterprise zones authorized in this chapter, the department of economic development shall designate one enterprise zone within any county of the third classification without a township form of government and with more than thirty-one thousand but less than thirty-one thousand one hundred inhabitants. Such enterprise zone designation shall only be made if the area that is to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.

12. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 135.230, to the contrary, any enterprise zone designated in any county of the third classification with a township form of government and with more than thirteen thousand seven hundred but less than thirteen thousand eight hundred inhabitants or designated in any county of the third classification without a township form of government and with more than fifteen thousand seven hundred but less than fifteen thousand eight hundred inhabitants shall not expire before December 31, 2015.

13. In addition to the number of enterprise zones authorized by the provisions of sections 135.200 to 135.270, the department of economic development shall designate one such zone in every county of the third classification without a township form of government and with more than six

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thousand seven hundred fifty but less than six thousand eight hundred fifty inhabitants. Such designation shall only be made if the area in the county which is to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.

14. In addition to the number of enterprise zones authorized by the provisions of this chapter the department of economic development shall designate one such zone in every city of the fourth classification with more than thirteen thousand six hundred but less than thirteen thousand eight hundred inhabitants which shall have boundaries abutting an international airport and an interstate highway with specific boundaries to be determined by the department of economic development in conjunction with the governing authority of the city. Such designation shall only be made if the area in the city which is to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.

15. In addition to any other enterprise zones authorized in this chapter, the department of economic development shall designate one such zone in a city of the fourth classification with more than thirty thousand three hundred but less than thirty thousand seven hundred inhabitants. Such enterprise zone shall only be made if the area to be included in the enterprise zone meets all the requirements of section 135.205.

135.215. 1. Improvements made to "real property" as such term is defined in section 137.010, RSMo, which are made in an enterprise zone subsequent to the date  $^{2}$ such zone or expansion thereto was designated, may upon approval of an authorizing 3 resolution by the governing authority having jurisdiction of the area in which the improvements are made, be exempt, in whole or in part, from assessment and payment of ad valorem taxes of one or more affected political subdivisions, provided that, except 6 as to the exemption allowed under subsection 3 of this section, at least fifty new jobs 7 that provide an average of at least thirty-five hours of employment per week per job are 8 created and maintained at the new or expanded facility. Such authorizing resolution 10 shall specify the percent of the exemption to be granted, the duration of the exemption 11 to be granted, and the political subdivisions to which such exemption is to apply and any 12other terms, conditions or stipulations otherwise required. A copy of the resolution shall 13 be provided the director within thirty calendar days following adoption of the resolution by the governing authority. 14

2. No exemption shall be granted until the governing authority holds a public hearing for the purpose of obtaining the opinions and suggestions of residents of political

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subdivisions to be affected by the exemption from property taxes. The governing authority shall send, by certified mail, a notice of such hearing to each political subdivision in the area to be affected and shall publish notice of such hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the area to be affected by the exemption at least twenty days prior to the hearing but not more than thirty days prior to the hearing. Such notice shall state the time, location, date and purpose of the hearing.

- 3. Notwithstanding subsection 1 of this section, at least one-half of the ad valorem taxes otherwise imposed on subsequent improvements to real property located in an enterprise zone shall become and remain exempt from assessment and payment of ad valorem taxes of any political subdivision of this state or municipality thereof for a period of not less than ten years following the date such improvements were assessed, provided the improved properties are used for assembling, fabricating, processing, manufacturing, mining, warehousing or distributing properties.
- 4. No exemption shall be granted for a period more than twenty-five years following the date on which the original enterprise zone was designated by the department except for any enterprise zone within any home rule city with more than one hundred fifty-one thousand five hundred but less than one hundred fifty-one thousand six hundred inhabitants provided in any instance the exemption shall not be granted for a period longer than twenty-five years from the date on which the exemption was granted.
- 5. The provisions of subsection 1 of this section shall not apply to improvements made to real property which have been started prior to August 28, 1991.
- 6. The mandatory abatement referred to in this section shall not relieve the assessor or other responsible official from ascertaining the amount of the equalized assessed value of all taxable property annually as required by section 99.855, RSMo, and shall not have the effect of reducing the payments in lieu of taxes referred to in subdivision (2) of section 99.845, RSMo, unless such reduction is set forth in the plan approved by the governing body of the municipality pursuant to subdivision (1) of section 99.820, RSMo.
  - 7. Any business existing in an enterprise zone on the effective date of this section shall recertify for the abatement and exemption. Effective August 28, 2004, any abatement or exemption provided for in this section on an individual parcel of real property shall cease after a period of thirty days of business closure, work stoppage, major reduction in force, or a significant change in the type of business conducted at that location. For the purposes of this subsection, "work stoppage" shall not include strike or lockout or time

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necessary to retool a plant, and "major reduction in force" is defined as a 53 54 seventy-five percent or greater reduction. Any owner or new owner may reapply, but cannot receive the abatement or exemption for any period of 55time beyond the original life of the enterprise zone. 56

135.262. In addition to the number of enterprise zones authorized under the provisions of sections 135.206 to 135.260, the department of economic development shall designate any area that meets all the requirements of section 135.205 as an enterprise zone.

135.286. 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, no revenue-producing enterprise shall receive the state tax exemption, state tax credits, or state tax refund as provided in sections 135.200 to 135.283 for facilities commencing operations on or after January 1, 2005. This provision is not intended to affect in any way the local real property tax abatement authorized by section 135.215. 6

2. Notwithstanding subsection 4 of section 135.215 to the contrary, if an exemption pursuant to section 135.215 is granted on property prior to the expiration of the twenty-five year anniversary of the designation of the 10 enterprise zone, the property may continue to receive that exemption for up to twenty-five years following the date the exemption on that property was granted, provided that the total number of years of exemption on that property shall not exceed twenty-five.

135.288. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2005, no tax credits shall be approved, awarded, or issued to any person or entity claiming any tax credit under sections 135.200 to 135.258.

135.530. For the purposes of sections 100.010, 100.710 and 100.850, RSMo, sections 135.110, 135.200, 135.258, 135.313, 135.403, 135.405, 135.503, 135.530 and 135.545, section 215.030, RSMo, sections 348.300 and 348.302, RSMo, and sections 620.1400 to 620.1460, RSMo, "distressed community" means either a Missouri municipality within a metropolitan statistical area which has a median household 5 income of under seventy percent of the median household income for the metropolitan statistical area, according to the last decennial census, or a United States census block group or contiguous group of block groups within a metropolitan statistical area which has a population of at least [two thousand] five hundred, and each block group having 10 a median household income of under seventy percent of the median household income for the metropolitan area in Missouri, according to the last decennial census. In addition 11 the definition shall include municipalities not in a metropolitan statistical area, with a 12 median household income of under seventy percent of the median household income for 13

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the nonmetropolitan areas in Missouri according to the last decennial census or a census block group or contiguous group of block groups which has a population of at least two thousand five hundred each block group having a median household income of under seventy percent of the median household income for the nonmetropolitan areas of Missouri, according to the last decennial census. In metropolitan statistical areas, the definition shall include areas that are designated as either a federal empowerment zone; or a federal enhanced enterprise community; or a state enterprise zone that was originally designated before January 1, 1986, but shall not include expansions of such state enterprise zones done after March 16, 1988. 

135.610. 1. This section shall be known and cited as the "Betty L. Thompson Scholarship Charity Tax Credit Act".

- 2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:
- 4 (1) "Administrator", the administrator of the designated nonprofit 5 oversight organization;
  - (2) "Designated nonprofit oversight organization", a charitable organization in this state that is exempt from federal taxation pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, designated to certify nonprofit educational assistance organizations, approve applications for the tax credit allowed by this section, and coordinate with the director in administering the tax credit allowed by this section;
    - (3) "Director", the director of the department of economic development;
  - (4) "Income eligible student", any elementary or secondary school student who attends a school located in any school district in any county with a charter form of government and with more than two hundred fifty thousand but less than three hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, or in a metropolitan or urban school district containing the greater part of the population of any home rule city with more than four hundred thousand inhabitants and located in more than one county or in any city not within a county whose parents' or guardians' income is no more than one hundred seventy-five percent of the level that would make the student eligible for a free or reduced price school lunch pursuant to the National School Lunch Act;
  - (5) "Nonprofit educational assistance organization", a charitable organization in this state that is exempt from federal taxation pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, is certified by the director, and that allocates at least ninety percent of its annual revenue derived from contributions for which a credit is claimed pursuant to this section for

28 educational assistance. The term nonprofit educational assistance 29 organization does not include an organization that only provides scholarships 30 to students of one particular school;

- (6) "Qualified school", any elementary or secondary school situated in this state which a child may attend to satisfy the requirements of section 167.031, RSMo, and is not in violation of the Civil Rights Act of 1964;
- (7) "Qualified student", an income eligible student who in the previous school year was enrolled in a state-funded school or who had received a scholarship as a qualified student and is not enrolled in a state-funded public school in the year in which the nonprofit educational assistance organization is providing a scholarship to that student. The term shall include all income eligible kindergarten students;
- 40 (8) "Qualifying contribution", a donation of cash, stock, bonds, or other
  41 marketable securities for purposes of claiming a tax credit pursuant to this
  42 section;
  - (9) "State tax liability", any liability incurred by a taxpayer pursuant to chapters 143, 147, and 153, RSMo, excluding withholding taxes pursuant to sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, and related provisions;
  - (10) "Taxpayer", an individual subject to the state income tax imposed in chapter 143, RSMo, an individual, a firm, a partner in a firm, corporation, or a shareholder in an S corporation doing business in this state and subject to the state income tax imposed by chapter 143, RSMo, or a corporation subject to the annual corporation franchise tax imposed by chapter 147, RSMo, or an express company which pays an annual tax on its gross receipts in this state pursuant to chapter 153, RSMo.
  - 3. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2004, any taxpayer who makes contributions to a nonprofit educational assistance organization may claim a credit against the tax otherwise due pursuant to chapter 143, RSMo, other than taxes withheld pursuant to sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, and chapters 147 and 153, RSMo, in an amount equal to seventy percent of the amount the taxpayer contributed during the tax year for which the credit is claimed; except that, no taxpayer shall claim a credit pursuant to this section for any contribution made by the taxpayer, or an agent of the taxpayer, on behalf of the taxpayer's dependent, or in the case of a business taxpayer, on behalf of the business's agent's dependent. Any amount of contribution subtracted from federal adjusted gross income or federal taxable income shall be added back in the determination of Missouri adjusted gross

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65 income or Missouri taxable income before the credit can be claimed.

- 4. The amount of the tax credit claimed shall not exceed the amount of the taxpayer's state tax liability for the tax year that the credit is claimed. Any amount of credit that the taxpayer is prohibited by this section from claiming in a tax year may be carried forward to any of the taxpayer's four subsequent taxable years. The tax credit authorized in this section shall be limited to those claims related to actual tax liabilities that are excluded from the definition of total state revenues in section 17, article X, Constitution of Missouri, which require no appropriation by the general assembly from the state treasury, and which serve the public purpose of providing educational opportunities for students under subsection 6 of this section. Except for any credit carried over pursuant to this section, no taxpayer shall claim a credit pursuant to this section unless the amount contributed to a nonprofit educational assistance organization is two hundred dollars or more.
  - 5. The cumulative amount of tax credits which may be allocated to all taxpayers contributing to a nonprofit educational assistance organization in any one fiscal year shall not exceed ten million dollars. The director shall establish a procedure by which, from the beginning of the fiscal year until some point in time later in the fiscal year to be determined by the director, the cumulative amount of tax credits are apportioned among all nonprofit educational assistance organizations. To the maximum extent possible, the director shall establish the procedure described in this subsection in such a manner as to ensure that taxpayers can claim all the tax credits possible up to the cumulative amount of tax credits available for the fiscal year. The director shall certify to the organizations the amount of eligible tax credits that can be taken by the organizations.
  - 6. The director shall determine, at least annually, which organizations in this state may be classified as a nonprofit educational assistance organization. The director may require a charity seeking classification as a nonprofit educational assistance organization to provide any information reasonably necessary to make such a determination. The director shall classify an organization as a nonprofit educational assistance organization if the organization qualifies as a nonprofit educational assistance organization as defined in this section. To qualify as a nonprofit educational assistance organization, the organization shall meet the following conditions:
    - (1) At least seventy percent of all qualifying contributions it receives

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during any given state fiscal year are allocated for the purpose of providing scholarships to any qualified student who attends a qualified school, and the organization gives priority in awarding scholarships to those students who demonstrate the greatest need for such scholarships. Greatest need shall be defined as follows: children of inmates; children residing in a low-performing schools area; children residing within the boundaries of schools targeted for improvement under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 pursuant to P.L. 107-110; children residing within the boundaries of concerned schools and academically deficient schools pursuant to section 160.538, RSMo; children of schools in provisionally accredited districts; students with a current grade point average of 2.5 or less on a 4.0 scale; or, children enrolled in classes that do not meet the Missouri school improvement minimum standards for class size used for accreditation purposes. Scholarship moneys may be used to cover applicable tuition, transportation, textbooks, supplies, and other related educational or extracurricular expenses. Any qualifying contributions not required to be allocated in accordance with this subdivision may be used to provide scholarships for income eligible students who attend qualified schools or may be used for the purposes set forth in subdivision (3) of this subsection;

- (2) Does not provide any scholarship to any qualified student for a single school year that exceeds three thousand eight hundred dollars, which amount shall annually be increased for inflation based on increases in the Consumer Price Index rounded to the nearest fifty dollar increment, except that the nonprofit educational assistance organization may award scholarships to children with disabilities who are age three or older in any amount that is substantially comparable to the amount the state would have paid for such child, and except that scholarships may be awarded in amounts in excess of the limitation if the increased amount of any such scholarship is offset by a reduction in the monetary amount of the scholarships provided by the nonprofit educational assistance organization to nonqualifying students To qualify for a scholarship, children with disabilities are not required to meet the income eligible student definition if the disabled child's parents or guardians have unreimbursed medical expenses in excess of seven and one-half percent of federal adjusted gross income;
- (3) A nonprofit education assistance organization may allocate up to thirty percent of any qualifying contributions it receives during any given state fiscal year that are not required to be allocated pursuant to subdivisions

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- 139 (1) and (2) of this subsection to directly assist any income eligible student 140 who attends a public school in defraying the costs of private instructional assistance, including any related private educational supplies; for 141 142 transportation to any public school to the extent that such transportation is not paid for by a school district or the state; for offsetting fees for 143 out-of-school programs; for apprenticeship programs; for scholarship 144 assistance for dropouts to pursue a GED or its equivalent; for grants for 145 public school academic or extracurricular programs or for income eligible or 146 147qualified students to attend a qualified school;
  - (4) All interest accruing from contributions shall be used for educational assistance; and
  - (5) All marketing and administrative expenses for the nonprofit educational assistance organization shall be no more than eight percent of the qualifying contributions it raises.
- 7. A nonprofit education assistance organization shall report annually to the director the names of the participating qualified schools.
  - 8. The director shall establish a procedure by which a taxpayer can determine if an organization has been classified as a nonprofit educational assistance organization, and by which taxpayers can claim the tax credit pursuant to this section.
  - 9. The funding authorized in this section shall be considered private, voluntary, nongovernmental funding. The providing of assistance by a nonprofit educational assistance organization shall not be construed to be a public appropriation or the providing of public assistance to any school.
  - 10. The director may certify and enter into a contract with a designated nonprofit organization for the purpose of administering this section. A designated nonprofit oversight organization may be subject to an audit by the director. To qualify for designation, a nonprofit organization shall:
  - (1) Have the administrative capability to promote the success of the tax credit allowed by this section by recruiting and coordinating activities with all interested nonprofit educational assistance organizations in this state and certifying those nonprofit educational assistance organizations that meet the certification criteria set forth in subsection 6 of this section;
- 173 (2) Demonstrate the ability to handle large volumes of and amounts of 174 financial transactions and be able to resolve Internal Revenue Service 175 compliance issues;

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- 176 (3) Review the staff qualifications, evaluate fundraising capabilities, 177 and confirm exempt status of the nonprofit educational assistance 178 organizations;
- 179 (4) Create a standardized application for use by nonprofit educational assistance organizations;
  - (5) Produce an annual report for the general assembly;
  - (6) Complete other duties as required by the director; and
- 183 (7) The designated nonprofit oversight organization shall receive no 184 more than two percent of the qualifying contributions for marketing and 185 administrative expenses or the costs incurred in administering the program, 186 whichever is less, or if a designated nonprofit oversight organization is not selected, up to two percent shall be received by the department of economic 187 development for administering the program. The remaining funds shall be 188 189 distributed to the educational assistance organizations for student scholarships. 190
- 191 11. This section is subject to the provisions of section 1.140, RSMo. The department of revenue and the department of economic development may 192 193 promulgate rules and regulations for the administration of this section. Any 194 rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that 195 is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective 196 only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, 197 RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, 198 RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general 199 assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective 200 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held 201 unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule 202 proposed or adopted after August 28, 2004, shall be invalid and void.
  - 12. Any school district that is not a metropolitan or urban school district in any city not within a county or containing the greater part of the population of any home rule city with more than four hundred thousand inhabitants and located in more than one county may opt to participate in the program authorized in this section upon the adoption of a resolution by a majority of the school board members present and the submission of the resolution to the department of elementary and secondary education.

135.1050. The following terms, whenever used in sections 135.1050 to 2 135.1075 mean:

(1) "Blighted area", an area which, by reason of the predominance of

- 4 defective or inadequate street layout, unsanitary or unsafe conditions,
- 5 deterioration of site improvements, improper subdivision or obsolete platting,
- 6 or the existence of conditions which endanger life or property by fire and
- 7 other causes, or any combination of such factors, retards the provision of
- 8 housing accommodations or constitutes an economic or social liability or a
- 9 menace to the public health, safety, morals, or welfare in its present condition
- 10 and use;
- 11 (2) "Board", an enhanced enterprise zone board established pursuant
- 12 to section 135.1057;
- 13 (3) "Commencement of commercial operations", shall be deemed to
- 14 occur during the first taxable year for which the new business facility is first
- 15 put into use by the taxpayer in the enhanced business enterprise in which the
- 16 taxpayer intends to use the new business facility;
  - (4) "Department", the department of economic development;
- 18 (5) "Director", the director of the department of economic development;
- 19 (6) "Employee", a person employed by the enhanced business enterprise
- 20 **on:**

- 21 (a) A regular, full-time basis;
- 22 (b) A part-time basis, provided such person is customarily performing
- 23 such duties an average of at least twenty hours per week; or
- 24 (c) A seasonal basis, provided such person performs such duties for at
- 25 least eighty percent of the season customary for the position in which such
- 26 person is employed;
- 27 (7) "Enhanced business enterprise", an industry or one of a cluster of
- 28 industries that is either:
- 29 (a) Identified by the department as critical to the state's economic
- 30 security and growth; or
- 31 (b) Will have an impact on industry cluster development, as identified
- 32 by the governing authority in its application for designation of an enhanced
- 33 enterprise zone and approved by the department; but excluding gambling
- 34 establishments (NAICS industry group 7132), retail trade (NAICS sectors 44
- 35 and 45) and food and drinking places (NAICS subsector 722). Service
- 36 industries may be eligible only if a majority of its annual revenues will be
- 37 derived from services provided out of the state.
- 38 (8) "Existing business facility", any facility in this state which was
- 39 employed by the taxpayer claiming the credit in the operation of an enhanced
- 40 business enterprise immediately prior to an expansion, acquisition, addition,

41 or replacement;

- 42 (9) "Facility", any building used as an enhanced business enterprise 43 located within an enhanced enterprise zone, including the land on which the 44 facility is located and all machinery, equipment, and other real and 45 depreciable tangible personal property acquired for use at and located at or 46 within such facility and used in connection with the operation of such 47 facility;
- 48 (10) "Governing authority", the body holding primary legislative 49 authority over a county or incorporated municipality;
  - (11) "NAICS", the 1997 edition of the North American Industry Classification System as prepared by the Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget. Any NAICS sector, subsector, industry group or industry identified in this section shall include its corresponding classification in subsequent federal industry classification systems;
- 55 (12) "New business facility", a facility that satisfies the following 56 requirements:
  - (a) Such facility is employed by the taxpayer in the operation of an enhanced business enterprise. Such facility shall not be considered a new business facility in the hands of the taxpayer if the taxpayer's only activity with respect to such facility is to lease it to another person or persons. If the taxpayer employs only a portion of such facility in the operation of an enhanced business enterprise, and leases another portion of such facility to another person or persons or does not otherwise use such other portions in the operation of an enhanced business enterprise, the portion employed by the taxpayer in the operation of an enhanced business enterprise shall be considered a new business facility, if the requirements of paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) of this subdivision are satisfied;
  - (b) Such facility is acquired by, or leased to, the taxpayer after December 31, 2004. A facility shall be deemed to have been acquired by, or leased to, the taxpayer after December 31, 2004, if the transfer of title to the taxpayer, the transfer of possession pursuant to a binding contract to transfer title to the taxpayer, or the commencement of the term of the lease to the taxpayer occurs after December 31, 2004;
  - (c) If such facility was acquired by the taxpayer from another taxpayer and such facility was employed immediately prior to the acquisition by another taxpayer in the operation of an enhanced business enterprise, the operation of the same or a substantially similar enhanced business enterprise

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78 is not continued by the taxpayer at such facility; and

- 79 (d) Such facility is not a replacement business facility, as defined in 80 subdivision (16) of this section;
- (13) "New business facility employee", an employee of the taxpayer in the operation of a new business facility during the taxable year for which the credit allowed by section 135.1070 is claimed, except that truck drivers and rail and barge vehicle operators and other operators of rolling stock for hire shall not constitute new business facility employees.
- 86 (14) "New business facility investment", the value of real and depreciable tangible personal property, acquired by the taxpayer as part of 87 the new business facility, which is used by the taxpayer in the operation of 88 89 the new business facility, during the taxable year for which the credit allowed by section 135.1070 is claimed, except that trucks, truck-trailers, truck 90 semitrailers, rail vehicles, barge vehicles, aircraft and other rolling stock for 91 hire, track, switches, barges, bridges, tunnels, and rail yards and spurs shall 92 93 not constitute new business facility investments. The total value of such property during such taxable year shall be: 94
  - (a) Its original cost if owned by the taxpayer; or
  - (b) Eight times the net annual rental rate, if leased by the taxpayer. The net annual rental rate shall be the annual rental rate paid by the taxpayer less any annual rental rate received by the taxpayer from subrentals. The new business facility investment shall be determined by dividing by twelve the sum of the total value of such property on the last business day of each calendar month of the taxable year. If the new business facility is in operation for less than an entire taxable year, the new business facility investment shall be determined by dividing the sum of the total value of such property on the last business day of each full calendar month during the portion of such taxable year during which the new business facility was in operation by the number of full calendar months during such period;
    - (15) "Related taxpayer":
- 108 (a) A corporation, partnership, trust, or association controlled by the 109 taxpayer;
- 110 (b) An individual, corporation, partnership, trust, or association in 111 control of the taxpayer; or
- 112 (c) A corporation, partnership, trust or association controlled by an 113 individual, corporation, partnership, trust or association in control of the 114 taxpayer. "Control of a corporation" shall mean ownership, directly or

- indirectly, of stock possessing at least fifty percent of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote, "control of a partnership or association" shall mean ownership of at least fifty percent of the capital or profits interest in such partnership or association, and "control of a trust" shall mean ownership, directly or indirectly, of at least fifty percent of the beneficial interest in the principal or income of such trust; ownership shall be determined as provided in Section 318 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;
  - (16) "Replacement business facility", a facility otherwise described in subdivision (12) of this section, hereafter referred to in this subdivision as "new facility", which replaces another facility, hereafter referred to in this subdivision as "old facility", located within the state, which the taxpayer or a related taxpayer previously operated but discontinued operating on or before the close of the first taxable year for which the credit allowed by this section is claimed. A new facility shall be deemed to replace an old facility if the following conditions are met:
  - (a) The old facility was operated by the taxpayer or a related taxpayer during the taxpayer's or related taxpayer's taxable period immediately preceding the taxable year in which commencement of commercial operations occurs at the new facility; and
  - (b) The old facility was employed by the taxpayer or a related taxpayer in the operation of an enhanced business enterprise and the taxpayer continues the operation of the same or substantially similar enhanced business enterprise at the new facility.
- Notwithstanding the preceding provisions of this subdivision, a facility shall not be considered a replacement business facility if the taxpayer's new business facility investment, as computed in subdivision (14) of this section, in the new facility during the tax period for which the credits allowed in section 135.1070 are claimed exceed one million dollars and if the total number of employees at the new facility exceeds the total number of employees at the old facility by at least two;
  - (17) "Same or substantially similar enhanced business enterprise", an enhanced business enterprise in which the nature of the products produced or sold, or activities conducted, are similar in character and use or are produced, sold, performed, or conducted in the same or similar manner as in another enhanced business enterprise.
    - $135.1055. \ \ 1. \ \ For purposes of sections \ 135.1050 \ to \ 135.1075, an area \ must$

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2 meet the following criteria in order to qualify as an enhanced enterprise 3 zone:

- 4 (1) The area must be a blighted area, have pervasive poverty, 5 unemployment and general distress; and
- 6 (2) At least sixty percent of the residents living in the area have 7 incomes below ninety percent of the median income of all residents:
- 8 (a) Within the state of Missouri, according to the last decennial census 9 or other appropriate source as approved by the director; or
  - (b) Within the county or city not within a county in which the area is located, according to the last decennial census or other appropriate source as approved by the director; and
- (3) The resident population of the area must be at least five hundred 13 but not more than one hundred thousand at the time of designation as an 14 enhanced enterprise zone if the area lies within a metropolitan statistical 15 area, as established by the United States Census Bureau, or if the area does 16 not lie within a metropolitan statistical area, the resident population of the 17 area at the time of designation must be at least five hundred but not more 18 19 than forty thousand inhabitants. If the population of the jurisdiction of the 20governing authority does not meet the minimum population requirements set 21forth in this subdivision, the population of the area must be at least fifty 22percent of the population of the jurisdiction. However, no enhanced enterprise zone shall be created which consists of the total area within the 2324political boundaries of a county; and
  - (4) The level of unemployment of persons, according to the most recent data available from the United States Bureau of Census and approved by the director, within the area is equal to or exceeds the average rate of unemployment for:
    - (a) The state of Missouri over the previous twelve months; or
- 30 (b) The county or city not within a county over the previous twelve 31 months.
- 2. Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection 1 of this section to the contrary, an enhanced enterprise zone may be established in an area located within a county for which public and individual assistance has been requested by the governor pursuant to Section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq., for an emergency proclaimed by the governor pursuant to section 44.100, RSMo, due to a natural disaster of major proportions, if the area to be designated is

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blighted and sustained severe damage as a result of such natural disaster, as
determined by the state emergency management agency. An application for
designation as an enhanced enterprise zone pursuant to this subsection must
be made before the expiration of one year from the date the governor
requested federal relief for the area sought to be designated.

3. Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection 1 of this section to the contrary, an enhanced enterprise zone may be designated in a "county of declining population" if it meets the requirements of subdivisions (1), (3) and either (2) or (4) of subsection 1 of this section. For the purposes of this subsection, a "county of declining population" is one that has lost one percent or more of its population as demonstrated by comparing the most recent decennial census population to the next most recent decennial census population for the county.

4. In addition to meeting the requirements of subsection 1, 2, or 3 of this section, an area, to qualify as an enhanced enterprise zone, must be demonstrated by the governing authority to have either:

- (1) The potential to create sustainable jobs in a targeted industry; or
- (2) A demonstrated impact on local industry cluster development.

135.1057. 1. A governing authority planning to seek designation of an enhanced enterprise zone shall establish an enhanced enterprise zone board. The number of members on the board shall be seven. One member of the board shall be appointed by the school district or districts located within the area proposed for designation as an enhanced enterprise zone. One member of the board shall be appointed by other affected taxing districts. The remaining five members shall be chosen by the chief elected official of the county or municipality.

9 2. The school district member and the affected taxing district member 10 shall each have initial terms of five years. Of the five members appointed by the chief elected official, two shall have initial terms of four years, two shall 11 have initial terms of three years, and one shall have an initial term of two 12 years. Thereafter, members shall serve terms of five years. Each 13 commissioner shall hold office until a successor has been appointed. All 14 vacancies shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. For 15 inefficiency or neglect of duty or misconduct in office, a member of the board 16 may be removed by the applicable appointing authority. 17

3. A majority of the members shall constitute a quorum of such board for the purpose of conducting business and exercising the powers of the board

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and for all other purposes. Action may be taken by the board upon a vote of a majority of the members present.

- 4. The members of the board annually shall elect a chair from among the members.
- 5. The role of the board shall be to conduct the activities necessary to advise the governing authority on the designation of an enhanced enterprise zone and any other advisory duties as determined by the governing authority. The role of the board after the designation of an enhanced enterprise zone shall be review and assessment of zone activities as it relates to the annual reports as set forth in section 135.1060.
- of a city or unincorporated area of a county under its control designated as an enhanced enterprise zone shall hold a public hearing for the purpose of obtaining the opinion and suggestions of those persons who will be affected by such designation. The governing authority shall notify the director of such hearing at least thirty days prior thereto and shall publish notice of such hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the area to be affected by such designation at least twenty days prior to the date of the hearing but not more than thirty days prior to such hearing. Such notice shall state the time, location, date, and purpose of the hearing. The director, or the director's designee, shall attend such hearing.
  - 2. After a public hearing is held as required in subsection 1 of this section, the governing authority may file a petition with the department requesting the designation of a specific area as an enhanced enterprise zone. Such petition shall include, in addition to a description of the physical, social, and economic characteristics of the area:
    - (1) A plan to provide adequate police protection within the area;
- (2) A specific and practical process for individual businesses to obtain waivers from burdensome local regulations, ordinances, and orders which serve to discourage economic development within the area to be designated an enhanced enterprise zone, except that such waivers shall not substantially endanger the health or safety of the employees of any such business or the residents of the area;
  - (3) A description of what other specific actions will be taken to support and encourage private investment within the area;
- 26 (4) A plan to ensure that resources are available to assist area 27 residents to participate in increased development through self-help efforts

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and in ameliorating any negative effects of designation of the area as an enhanced enterprise zone;

- 30 (5) A statement describing the projected positive and negative effects 31 of designation of the area as an enhanced enterprise zone;
  - (6) A specific plan to provide assistance to any person or business dislocated as a result of activities within the enhanced enterprise zone. Such plan shall determine the need of dislocated persons for relocation assistance; provide, prior to displacement, information about the type, location, and price of comparable housing or commercial property; provide information concerning state and federal programs for relocation assistance and provide other advisory services to displaced persons. Public agencies may choose to provide assistance under the Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Act, 42 U.S.C. section 4601, et seq., to meet the requirements of this subdivision; and
- 42 (7) A description or plan that demonstrates the requirements of subsection 2 of section 135.1055.
- 3. An enhanced enterprise zone designation shall be effective upon such approval by the department and shall expire in twenty-five years.
- 46 4. Each designated enhanced enterprise zone board must report to the 47 director on an annual basis regarding the status of the zone and business 48 activity within the zone.
- 135.1065. 1. Improvements made to "real property" as such term is defined in section 137.010, RSMo, which are made in an enhanced enterprise zone subsequent to the date such zone or expansion thereto was designated, may, upon approval of an authorizing resolution by the governing authority having jurisdiction of the area in which the improvements are made, be exempt, in whole or in part, from assessment and payment of ad valorem taxes of one or more affected political subdivisions.
  - 2. Such authorizing resolution shall specify the percent of the exemption to be granted, the duration of the exemption to be granted, and the political subdivisions to which such exemption is to apply and any other terms, conditions, or stipulations otherwise required. A copy of the resolution shall be provided to the director within thirty calendar days following adoption of the resolution by the governing authority.
  - 3. No exemption shall be granted until the governing authority holds a public hearing for the purpose of obtaining the opinions and suggestions of residents of political subdivisions to be affected by the exemption from

property taxes. The governing authority shall send, by certified mail, a notice of such hearing to each political subdivision in the area to be affected and shall publish notice of such hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the area to be affected by the exemption at least twenty days prior to the hearing but not more than thirty days prior to the hearing. Such notice shall state the time, location, date, and purpose of the hearing.

4. Notwithstanding subsection 1 of this section, at least one-half of the ad valorem taxes otherwise imposed on subsequent improvements to real property located in an enhanced enterprise zone shall become and remain exempt from assessment and payment of ad valorem taxes of any political subdivision of this state or municipality thereof for a period of not less than ten years following the date such improvements were assessed, provided the improved properties are used for enhanced business enterprises.

5. No exemption shall be granted for a period more than twenty-five years following the date on which the original enhanced enterprise zone was designated by the department.

6. The provisions of subsection 1 of this section shall not apply to improvements made to real property begun prior to August 28, 2004.

7. The abatement referred to in this section shall not relieve the assessor or other responsible official from ascertaining the amount of the equalized assessed value of all taxable property annually as required by sections 99.855, 99.957, or 99.1042, RSMo, and shall not have the effect of reducing the payments in lieu of taxes referred to in subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of section 99.845, RSMo, subdivision (2) of subsection 3 of section 99.957, RSMo, or subdivision (2) of subsection 3 of section 99.957, RSMo, or subdivision (2) of subsection 3 of section 99.959, RSMo, unless such reduction is set forth in the plan approved by the governing body of the municipality pursuant to subdivision (1) of section 99.820, section 99.942, or section 99.1027, RSMo.

135.1070. 1. A taxpayer who establishes a new business facility may, upon approval by the department, be allowed a credit, each tax year for up to ten tax years, in an amount determined as set forth in this section, against the tax imposed by chapter 143, RSMo, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo. No taxpayer shall receive multiple ten-year periods for subsequent expansions at the same facility.

2. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any taxpayer who establishes a new business facility in an enhanced enterprise zone and is awarded state tax credits under this section may not also receive tax

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- 3. No credit shall be issued pursuant to this section unless:
- 13 (1) The number of new business facility employees engaged or 14 maintained in employment at the new business facility for the taxable year 15 for which the credit is claimed equals or exceeds two; and
- 16 (2) The new business facility investment for the taxable year for which 17 the credit is claimed equals or exceeds one hundred thousand dollars.
- 4. The annual amount of credits allowed for an approved enhanced business enterprise shall be the lesser of:
- 20 (1) The annual amount authorized by the department for the enhanced 21 business enterprise, which shall be limited to the projected state economic 22 benefit, as determined by the department; or
  - (2) The sum calculated based upon the following:
- 24 (a) A credit of four hundred dollars for each new business facility 25 employee employed within an enhanced enterprise zone;
- 26 (b) An additional credit of four hundred dollars for each new business 27 facility employee who is a resident of an enhanced enterprise zone;
- (c) An additional credit of four hundred dollars for each new business facility employee who is paid by the enhanced business enterprise a wage that exceeds the average wage paid within the county in which the facility is located, as determined by the department; and
- 32 (d) A credit equal to two percent of new business facility investment 33 within an enhanced enterprise zone.
- 5. In no event shall the department authorize more than four million dollars annually to be issued for all enhanced business enterprises.
  - 6. If a facility, which does not constitute a new business facility, is expanded by the taxpayer, the expansion shall be considered eligible for the credit allowed by this section if:
- (1) The taxpayer's new business facility investment in the expansion during the tax period in which the credits allowed in this section are claimed exceeds one hundred thousand dollars and if the number of new business facility employees engaged or maintained in employment at the expansion facility for the taxable year for which credit is claimed equals or exceeds two, and the total number of employees at the facility after the expansion is at least two greater than the total number of employees before the expansion;

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- 47 (2) The taxpayer's investment in the expansion and in the original 48 facility prior to expansion shall be determined in the manner provided in 49 subdivision (12) of section 135.1050.
  - 7. The number of new business facility employees during any taxable year shall be determined by dividing by twelve the sum of the number of individuals employed on the last business day of each month of such taxable year. If the new business facility is in operation for less than the entire taxable year, the number of new business facility employees shall be determined by dividing the sum of the number of individuals employed on the last business day of each full calendar month during the portion of such taxable year during which the new business facility was in operation by the number of full calendar months during such period. For the purpose of computing the credit allowed by this section in the case of a facility which qualifies as a new business facility under subsection 6 of this section, and in the case of a new business facility which satisfies the requirements of paragraph (c) of subdivision (10) of section 135.1050, or subdivision (14) of section 135.1050, the number of new business facility employees at such facility shall be reduced by the average number of individuals employed, computed as provided in this subsection, at the facility during the taxable year immediately preceding the taxable year in which such expansion, acquisition, or replacement occurred and shall further be reduced by the number of individuals employed by the taxpayer or related taxpayer that was subsequently transferred to the new business facility from another Missouri facility and for which credits authorized in this section are not being earned, whether such credits are earned because of an expansion, acquisition, relocation, or the establishment of a new facility.
  - 8. In the case where a new business facility employee is a resident of an enhanced enterprise zone for less than a twelve-month period is employed for less than a twelve-month period, the credits allowed by paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of subsection 4 of this section shall be determined by multiplying four hundred dollars by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of calendar days during the taxpayer's tax year for which such credits are claimed, in which the employee was a resident of an enhanced enterprise zone, and the denominator of which is three hundred and sixty-five.
- 9. For the purpose of computing the credit allowed by this section in the case of a facility which qualifies as a new business facility pursuant to

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subsection 6 of this section, and in the case of a new business facility which 84 85 satisfies the requirements of paragraph (c) of subdivision (12) of section 86 135.1050 or subdivision (16) of section 135.1050, the amount of the taxpayer's new business facility investment in such facility shall be reduced by the 87 average amount, computed as provided in subdivision (12) of section 135.1050 88 for new business facility investment, of the investment of the taxpayer, or 89 related taxpayer immediately preceding such expansion or replacement or at 90 the time of acquisition. Furthermore, the amount of the taxpayer's new 91 92 business facility investment shall also be reduced by the amount of investment employed by the taxpayer or related taxpayer which was 93 subsequently transferred to the new business facility from another Missouri 94 facility and for which credits authorized in this section are not being earned, 95 whether such credits are earned because of an expansion, acquisition, 96 97 relocation, or the establishment of a new facility.

10. For a taxpayer with flow-through tax treatment to its members, partners, or shareholders, the credit shall be allowed to members, partners, or shareholders in proportion to their share of ownership on the last day of the taxpayer's tax period.

11. Credits may not be carried forward but shall be claimed for the taxable year during which commencement of commercial operations occurs at such new business facility, and for each of the nine succeeding taxable years for which the credit is issued.

12. Certificates of tax credit authorized by this section may be transferred, sold, or assigned by filing a notarized endorsement thereof with the department that names the transferree, the amount of tax credit transferred, and the value received for the credit, as well as any other information reasonably requested by the department. The sale price cannot be less than seventy-five percent of the par value of such credits.

13. The director of revenue shall issue a refund to the taxpayer to the extent that the amount of credits allowed in this section exceeds the amount of the taxpayer's income tax.

135.1075. The department may adopt such rules, statements of policy, procedures, forms, and guidelines as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of sections 135.1050 to 135.1075. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if

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applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2004, shall be invalid and void.

163.036. 1. In computing the amount of state aid a school district is entitled to receive under section 163.031, a school district may use an estimate of the number of eligible pupils for the ensuing year, the number of eligible pupils for the immediately preceding year or the number of eligible pupils for the second preceding school year, whichever is greater, except that the eligible pupil count shall be adjusted such that no school district shall receive state aid for any pupil who is no longer enrolled in the school district as the result of using the proceeds of an educational scholarship to transfer to another qualified school provided pursuant to section 135.610, RSMo. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 of this section, any error made in the apportionment of state aid because of a difference between the actual number of eligible pupils and the estimated number of eligible pupils shall be corrected as provided in section 163.091, except that if the amount paid to a district estimating eligible pupils exceeds the amount to which the district was actually entitled by more than five percent, interest at the rate of six percent shall be charged on the excess and shall be added to the amount to be deducted from the district's apportionment the next succeeding year.

- 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of this section or any other provision of law, the state board of education shall make an adjustment for the immediately preceding year for any increase in the actual number of eligible pupils above the number on which the state aid in section 163.031 was calculated. Said adjustment shall be made in the manner providing for correction of errors under subsection 1 of this section.
- 3. (1) For any district which has, for at least five years immediately preceding the year in which the error is discovered, adopted a calendar for the school term in which elementary schools are in session for twelve months of each calendar year, any error made in the apportionment of state aid to such district because of a difference between the actual number of eligible pupils and the estimated number of eligible pupils shall be corrected as provided in section 163.091 and subsection 1 of this section, except that if the amount paid exceeds the amount to which the district was actually entitled by more than five percent and the district provides written application to the state board

requesting that the deductions be made pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection, then the amounts shall be deducted pursuant to subdivision (2) of this subsection.

- (2) For deductions made pursuant to this subdivision, interest at the rate of six percent shall be charged on the excess and shall be included in the amount deducted and the total amount of such excess plus accrued interest shall be deducted from the district's apportionment in equal monthly amounts beginning with the succeeding school year and extending for a period of months specified by the district in its written request and no longer than sixty months.
- 4. For the purposes of distribution of state school aid pursuant to section 163.031, a school district may elect to use the district's equalized assessed valuation for the preceding year, or an estimate of the current year's assessed valuation if the current year's equalized assessed valuation is estimated to be more than ten percent less than the district's equalized assessed valuation for the preceding year. A district shall give prior notice to the department of its intention to use the current year's assessed valuation pursuant to this subsection. Any error made in the apportionment of state aid because of a difference between the actual equalized assessed valuation for the current year and the estimated equalized assessed valuation for the current year shall be corrected as provided in section 163.091, except that if the amount paid to a district estimating current equalized assessed valuation exceeds the amount to which the district was actually entitled, interest at the rate of six percent shall be charged on the excess and shall be added to the amount to be deducted from the district's apportionment the next succeeding year.
- 5. For the purposes of distribution of state school aid pursuant to section 163.031, a school district with ten percent or more of its assessed valuation that is owned by one person or corporation as commercial or personal property who is delinquent in a property tax payment may elect, after receiving notice from the county clerk on or before March fifteenth, except in the year enacted, that more than ten percent of its current taxes due the preceding December thirty-first by a single property owner are delinquent, to use on line 2 of the state aid formula the district's equalized assessed valuation for the preceding year or the actual assessed valuation of the year for which the taxes are delinquent less the assessed valuation of property for which the current year's property tax is delinquent. To qualify for use of the actual assessed valuation of property for which the current year's property tax is delinquent, a district must notify the department of elementary and secondary education on or before April first, except in the year enacted, of the current year amount of delinquent taxes, the assessed valuation of such property

for which delinquent taxes are owed and the total assessed valuation of the district for the year in which the taxes were due but not paid. Any district giving such notice to the department of elementary and secondary education shall present verification of the accuracy of such notice obtained from the clerk of the county levying delinquent taxes. When any of the delinquent taxes identified by such notice are paid during a four-year period following the due date, the county clerk shall give notice to the district and the department of elementary and secondary education, and state aid paid to the district shall be reduced by an amount equal to the delinquent taxes received plus interest. The reduction in state aid shall occur over a period not to exceed five years and the interest rate on excess state aid not refunded shall be six percent annually. 

6. If a district receives state aid based on equalized assessed valuation as determined by subsection 5 of this section and if prior to such notice the district was paid state aid pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection 5 of section 163.031, the amount of state aid paid during the year of such notice and the first year following shall equal the sum of state aid paid pursuant to line 1 minus line 10 as defined in subsections 1, 2, 3 and 6 of section 163.031 plus the difference between the state aid amount being paid after such notice minus the amount of state aid the district would have received pursuant to line 1 minus line 10 as defined in subsections 1, 2, 3 and 6 of section 163.031 before such notice. To be eligible to receive state aid based on this provision the district must levy during the first year following such notice at least the maximum levy permitted school districts by article X, section 11(b) of the Missouri Constitution and have a voluntary rollback of its tax rate which is no greater than one cent per one hundred dollars assessed valuation.

178.980. As used in sections 178.980 to 178.985, the following terms 2 mean:

- (1) "Agreement", the agreement between an employer and a junior college district concerning a project. An agreement may be for a period not to exceed ten years when the program services associated with a project are not in excess of five hundred thousand dollars. For a project where the associated program costs are greater than five hundred thousand dollars, the agreement may not exceed a period of eight years;
  - (2) "Board of trustees", the board of trustees of a junior college district;
- (3) "Capital investment", an investment in research and development, working capital, and real and tangible personal business property except inventory or property intended for sale to customers. Trucks, truck trailers, truck semi-trailers, rail and barge vehicles and other rolling stock for hire,

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- track, switches, barges, bridges, tunnels, rail yards, and spurs shall not qualify as a capital investment. The amount of such investment shall be the original cost of the property if owned, or eight times the net annual rental rate if leased:
- 18 (4) "Certificate", industrial retained jobs training certificates issued 19 under section 178.983;
  - (5) "Date of commencement of the project", the date of the agreement;
- 21 (6) "Employee", the person employed in a retained job;
- 22 (7) "Employer", the person maintaining retained jobs in conjunction 23 with a project;
- 24 (8) "Industry", a business located within this state which enters into an 25 agreement with a community college district and which is engaged in 26 interstate or intrastate commerce for the purpose of manufacturing, 27 processing, or assembling products, conducting research and development, or 28 providing services in interstate commerce, but excluding retail services;
- (9) "Program costs", all necessary and incidental costs of providing program services, including payment of the principal, premium, and interest on certificates, including capitalized interest, issued to finance a project, funding and maintenance of a debt service reserve fund to secure such certificates and wages, salaries and benefits of employees participating in onthe-job training;
  - (10) "Program services" includes, but is not limited to, the following:
- 36 (a) Retained jobs training;
  - (b) Adult basic education and job-related instruction;
- 38 (c) Vocational and skill-assessment services and testing;
- 39 (d) Training facilities, equipment, materials, and supplies;
- 40 (e) On-the-job training;
- (f) Administrative expenses equal to seventeen percent of the total training costs, two percent to be paid to the department of economic development for deposit into the Missouri job development fund created under section 620.478, RSMo;
- 45 (g) Subcontracted services with state institutions of higher education, 46 private colleges or universities, or other federal, state, or local agencies;
  - (h) Contracted or professional services; and
- 48 (i) Issuance of certificates;
- 49 (11) "Project", a training arrangement which is the subject of an 50 agreement entered into between the community college district and an

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- employer to provide program services that is not also the subject of an agreement entered into between a community college district and an employer to provide program services under sections 178.892 to 178.896;
- 12) "Retained job", a job in a stable industry, not including jobs for recalled workers, which was in existence for at least two consecutive calendar years preceding the year in which the application for the retained jobs training program was made;
- 58 (13) "Retained jobs credit from withholding", the credit as provided in section 178.982;
  - (14) "Retained jobs training program", or "program", the project or projects established by a community college district for the retention of jobs, by providing education and training of workers for existing jobs for stable industry in the state;
- (15) "Stable industry", a business that otherwise meets the definition of industry and retains existing jobs. To be a stable industry, the business shall have:
- (a) Maintained at least one hundred employees per year at the employer's site in the state at which the jobs are based, for each of the two calendar years preceding the year in which application for the program is made;
- (b) Retained at that site the level of employment that existed in the taxable year immediately preceding the year in which application for the program is made; and
  - (c) Made or agree to make a capital investment aggregating at least one million dollars to acquire or improve long-term assets (including leased facilities) such as property, plant, or equipment (excluding program costs) at the employer's site in the state at which jobs are based over a period of three consecutive calendar years, as certified by the employer and:
- a. Have made substantial investment in new technology requiring the upgrading of worker's skills; or
- b. Be located in a border county of the state and represent a potential risk of relocation from the state; or
- c. Be determined to represent a substantial risk of relocation from the state by the director of the department of economic development;
- 85 (16) "Total training costs", costs of training, including supplies, wages 86 and benefits of instructors, subcontracted services, on-the-job training, 87 training facilities, equipment, skill assessment, and all program services

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178.981. A community college district, with the approval of the department of economic development in consultation with the office of administration, may enter into an agreement to establish a project and 3 provide program services to an employer. As soon as possible after initial contact between a community college district and a potential employer regarding the possibility of entering into an agreement, the district shall inform the division of workforce development of the department of economic development and the office of administration about the potential project. The division of workforce development shall evaluate the proposed project within the overall job training efforts of the state to ensure that the project will not 10 duplicate other job training programs. The department of economic 11 development shall have fourteen days from receipt of the application to 12approve or disapprove projects. If no response is received by the community 13 14 college within fourteen days, the projects are approved. Any project that is disapproved must be in writing stating the reasons for the disapproval. If an 15 agreement is entered into, the district and the employer shall notify the 16 17department of revenue within fifteen calendar days. An agreement may 18 provide, but is not limited to:

- (1) Payment of program costs, including deferred costs, which may be paid from one or a combination of the following sources:
- (a) Funds appropriated by the general assembly from the Missouri community college job retention program fund and disbursed by the division of workforce development in respect of retained jobs credit from withholding to be received or derived from retained employment resulting from the project;
- 26 (b) Tuition, student fees, or special charges fixed by the board of 27 trustees to defray program costs in whole or in part;
- 28 (c) Guarantee of payments to be received under paragraph (a) or (b) of 29 this subdivision;
- (2) Payment of program costs shall not be deferred for a period longer than ten years if program costs do not exceed five hundred thousand dollars, or eight years if program costs exceed five hundred thousand dollars from the date of commencement of the project;
  - (3) Costs of on-the-job training for employees shall include wages or salaries of participating employees. Payments for on-the-job training shall not exceed the average of fifty percent of the total percent of the total wages

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- 40 (4) A provision which fixes the minimum amount of retained jobs credit 41 from withholding, or tuition and fee payments which shall be paid for 42 program costs;
  - (5) Any payment required to be made by an employer is a lien upon the employer's business property until paid and has equal precedence with ordinary taxes and shall not be divested by a judicial sale. Property subject to the lien may be sold for sums due and delinquent at a tax sale, with the same forfeitures, penalties, and consequences as for the nonpayment of ordinary taxes. The purchasers at tax sale obtain the property subject to the remaining payments.

178.982. If an agreement provides that all or part of program costs are to be met by receipt of retained jobs credit from withholding, such retained jobs credit from withholding shall be determined and paid as follows:

- 4 (1) Retained jobs credit from withholding shall be based upon the 5 wages paid to the employees in the retained jobs;
- 6 (2) A portion of the total payments made by the employer under section 143.221, RSMo, shall be designated as the retained jobs credit from withholding. Such portion shall be an amount equal to two and one-half percent of the gross wages paid by the employer for each of the first one 10 hundred jobs included in the project and one and one-half percent of the gross wages paid by the employer for each of the remaining jobs included in 11 the project. If business or employment conditions cause the amount of the 12retained jobs credit from withholding to be less than the amount projected in 13 the agreement for any time period, then other withholding tax paid by the employer under section 143.221, RSMo, shall be credited to the Missouri 15 junior college retained job training fund by the amount of such 16 difference. The employer shall remit the amount of the retained jobs credit 17 to the department of revenue in the manner prescribed in section 18 178.984. When all program costs, including the principal, premium, and 19 interest on the certificates have been paid, the employer credits shall cease; 20
  - (3) The community college district participating in a project shall establish a special fund for and in the name of the project. All funds appropriated by the general assembly from the Missouri community college job training retention program fund and disbursed by the division of

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workforce development for the project and other amounts received by the 2526 district in respect of the project and required by the agreement to be used to 27pay program costs for the project shall be deposited in the special fund. Amounts held in the special fund may be used and disbursed by the 2829 district only to pay program costs for the project. The special fund may be divided into such accounts and subaccounts as shall be provided in the 30 agreement, and amounts held therein may be invested in investments which 31 are legal for the investment of the district's other funds; 32

- (4) Any disbursement in respect of a project received from the division of workforce development under sections 178.980 to 178.985 and the special fund into which it is paid may be irrevocably pledged by a junior college district for the payment of the principal, premium, and interest on the certificate issued by a junior college district to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, the project;
- (5) The employer shall certify to the department of revenue that the credit from withholding is in accordance with an agreement and shall provide other information the department may require;
  - (6) An employee participating in a project will receive full credit for the amount designated as a retained jobs credit from withholding and withheld as provided in section 143.221, RSMo;
  - (7) If an agreement provides that all or part of program costs are to be met by receipt of retained jobs credit from withholding, the provisions of this subsection shall also apply to any successor to the original employer until such time as the principal and interest on the certificates have been paid.

178.983. 1. To provide funds for the present payment of the costs of retained jobs training programs, a community college district may borrow money and issue and sell certificates payable from a sufficient portion of the future receipts of payments authorized by the agreement including disbursements from the Missouri community college job retention training 5 program to the special fund established by the district for each project. The 6 total amount of outstanding certificates sold by all junior college districts 7 shall not exceed fifteen million dollars, unless an increased amount is authorized in writing by a majority of members of the Missouri job training joint legislative oversight committee. The certificates shall be marketed through financial institutions authorized to do business in Missouri. The 11 receipts shall be pledged to the payment of principal of and interest on the 12certificates. Certificates may be sold at public sale or at private sale at par, 13

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premium, or discount of not less than ninety-five percent of the par value thereof, at the discretion of the board of trustees, and may bear interest at such rate or rates as the board of trustees shall determine, notwithstanding the provisions of section 108.170, RSMo, to the contrary. However, chapter 176, RSMo, does not apply to the issuance of these certificates. Certificates may be issued with respect to a single project or multiple projects and may contain terms or conditions as the board of trustees may provide by resolution authorizing the issuance of the certificates. 

- 2. Certificates issued to refund other certificates may be sold at public sale or at private sale as provided in this section with the proceeds from the sale to be used for the payment of the certificates being refunded. The refunding certificates may be exchanged in payment and discharge of the certificates being refunded, in installments at different times or an entire issue or series at one time. Refunding certificates may be sold or exchanged at any time on, before, or after the maturity of the outstanding certificates to be refunded. They may be issued for the purpose of refunding a like, greater, or lesser principal amount of certificates and may bear a higher, lower, or equivalent rate of interest than the certificates being renewed or refunded.
- 3. Before certificates are issued, the board of trustees shall publish once a notice of its intention to issue the certificates, stating the amount, the purpose, and the project or projects for which the certificates are to be issued. A person may, within fifteen days after the publication of the notice, by action in the circuit court of a county in the district, appeal the decision of the board of trustees to issue the certificates. The action of the board of trustees in determining to issue the certificates is final and conclusive unless the circuit court finds that the board of trustees has exceeded its legal authority. An action shall not be brought which questions the legality of the certificates, the power of the board of trustees to issue the certificates, the effectiveness of any proceedings relating to the authorization of the project, or the authorization and issuance of the certificates from and after fifteen days from the publication of the notice of intention to issue.
- 4. The board of trustees shall make a finding based on information supplied by the employer that revenues provided in the agreement are sufficient to secure the faithful performance of obligations in the agreement.
- 5. Certificates issued under this section shall not be deemed to be an indebtedness of the state or the community college district or of any other political subdivision of the state, and the principal and interest on such

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certificates shall be payable only from the sources provided in subdivision (1) of section 178.981 which are pledged in the agreement.

6. The department of economic development shall coordinate the retained jobs training program, and may promulgate rules that districts will use in developing projects with industrial retained jobs training proposals which shall include rules providing for the coordination of such proposals with the service delivery areas established in the state to administer federal funds pursuant to the federal Workforce Investment Act. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of this section shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo.

7. No community college district may sell certificates as described in this section after July 1, 2014.

178.984. 1. There is hereby established within the state treasury a special fund, to be known as the "Missouri Community College Job Retention Training Program Fund", to be administered by the division of workforce development. The department of revenue shall credit to the community college job retention training program fund, as received, all retained jobs 5 6 credit from withholding remitted by employers pursuant to section 7 178.982. The fund shall also consist of any gifts, contributions, grants, or bequests received from federal, private, or other sources. The general assembly, however, shall not provide for any transfer of general revenue funds into the community college job retention training program 10 11 fund. Moneys in the Missouri community college job retention training program fund shall be disbursed to the division of workforce development 12 pursuant to regular appropriations by the general assembly. The division 13 shall disburse such appropriated funds in a timely manner into the special 14 funds established by community college districts for projects, which funds 15 shall be used to pay program costs, including the principal, premium, and 16 interest on certificates issued by the district to finance or refinance, in whole 17 or in part, a project. Such disbursements by the division of workforce 18 development shall be made to the special fund for each project in the same 19 proportion as the retained jobs credit from withholding remitted by the 20 employer participating in such project bears to the total retained jobs credit 2122from withholding remitted by all employers participating in projects during the period for which the disbursement is made. Moneys for retained jobs 23training programs established under sections 178.980 to 178.985 shall be 24obtained from appropriations made by the general assembly from the 25

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Missouri community college job retention training program fund. All moneys remaining in the Missouri community college job retention training program fund at the end of any fiscal year shall not lapse to the general revenue fund, as provided in section 33.080, RSMo, but shall remain in the Missouri community college job retention training program fund.

2. The department of revenue shall develop such forms as are necessary to demonstrate accurately each employer's retained jobs credit from withholding paid into the Missouri community college job retention training program fund. The retained jobs credit from withholding shall be accounted as separate from the normal withholding tax paid to the department of revenue by the employer. Reimbursements made by all employers to the Missouri community college job retention training program fund shall be no less than all allocations made by the division of workforce development to all community college districts for all job retention projects. The employer shall remit the amount of the retained job credit to the department of revenue in the same manner as provided in sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo.

178.985. Pursuant to section 23.253, RSMo, of the Missouri Sunset Act:

- (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under sections 178.980 to 178.985 shall automatically sunset six years after the effective date of sections 178.980 to 178.985 unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly; and
- (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under sections 178.980 to 178.985 shall automatically sunset four years after the effective date of the reauthorization of sections 178.980 to 178.985; and
- 10 (3) Sections 178.980 to 178.985 shall terminate on September first of the 11 calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program 12 authorized under sections 178.980 to 178.985 is sunset.

190.304. 1. In addition to its other powers for the protection of the public health, a governing body of a county of the first classification with more than two hundred forty thousand three hundred but less than two hundred forty thousand four hundred inhabitants may, by a majority vote of its members, choose to submit to a vote of the qualified voters of the county a ballot containing either of the two proposals pursuant to subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection to provide for the operation of an emergency telephone service. In no case shall a governing body be permitted to enact provisions of both subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, whether in simultaneous elections or by separate elections. If the governing body so

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11 chooses, by a majority vote of its members, it may submit:

- (1) A proposition to the qualified voters of the county to levy a tax in an amount equal to the average levied tax per line for wire lines in such county or such city not within a county in the current year based on the tax on the tariff rate authorized in section 190.305 for each access line or device which has an assigned mobile identification number containing an area code assigned to Missouri by the North American Numbering Plan Administrator in such county or a city not within a county. If a majority of the qualified voters of the county adopt the provision in this subdivision, such tax shall be in addition to the tax authorized pursuant to section 190.305. The tax authorized pursuant to this subdivision shall be in lieu of any tax authorized and adopted pursuant to sections 190.325 to 190.329. The governing body of the county shall certify to the office of administration the amount of the average levied tax per line for wire lines in such county; or
- (2) A proposition to the qualified voters of the county to levy a tax in an amount up to fifty cents per month on each access line user or device which has an assigned mobile identification number containing an area code assigned to Missouri by the North American Numbering Plan Administrator in such county or a city not within a county, plus a tax of up to fifty cents per access line per month for wired telephone services in such county. If a majority of the qualified voters of the county adopt the provision in this subdivision, the approved taxes shall be in lieu of the tax authorized pursuant to section 190.305 and in lieu of the tax authorized pursuant to sections 190.325 to 190.329. The taxes authorized pursuant to this subdivision shall not exceed fifty cents and shall be equal to one another.
- 2. The taxes collected pursuant to this section shall be utilized to pay for the operation of emergency telephone service and the operational costs associated with the answering and dispatching of emergency calls as deemed appropriate by the governing body and for no other purpose; however, collection of such taxes shall not begin prior to twelve months before the operation upgraded to facilities which implement phase I enhanced 911 services as described in Federal Communications Docket 94-102, or in counties which do not have a functioning emergency telephone service and dispatch center the collection of such taxes shall not begin prior to twenty-seven months before operation of such emergency telephone service and dispatch center.
  - 3. Any county which has not implemented service pursuant to the

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requirements of subsection 2 of this section shall immediately cease collection of such tax, and if the county fails to implement such service within twelve months thereafter, the governing body of such county shall remit all taxes collected pursuant to this section to the state treasurer to be deposited in the 911 emergency services fund created pursuant to section 190.312.

- 4. Every billed service user or wireless service user is liable for the taxes until it has been paid to the service supplier.
  - 5. The duty to collect the tax from a service user or wireless service user shall commence at such time as specified by the governing body in accordance with the provisions of sections 190.300 to 190.320. The tax required to be collected by the service supplier or wireless service supplier shall be added to and shall be stated separately in the billings to the service user or wireless service user.
  - 6. Nothing in this section imposes any obligation upon a service supplier or wireless service supplier to take any legal action to enforce the collection of the tax imposed by this section unless the charges for wireless service are unpaid. The service supplier or wireless service supplier shall provide the governing body with a list of amounts uncollected along with the names and addresses of the service users or wireless service users refusing to pay the tax imposed by this section, if any.
  - 7. The tax imposed by this section shall be collected insofar as practicable at the same time as, and along with, the charges for the tariff rate in accordance with the regular billing practice of the service supplier.
  - 8. The state auditor shall have the authority to perform audits of receipts and expenditures of taxes collected pursuant to this section to determine whether such taxes are being properly administered for the operational costs of administering emergency telephone services.
- 620.472. 1. The department shall establish a new or expanding industry training program, the purpose of which is to provide assistance for new or expanding industries for the training, retraining or upgrading of the skills of potential employees. Such program may also provide assistance in the locating of skilled employees and in the locating of additional sources of job training funds. Such program shall be operated with appropriations made by the general assembly from the fund, or in the case of training provided by third-party training providers, with the proceeds of tax credits redeemed by qualified entities.
- 9 2. Assistance under the new or expanding industry training program may be 10 available only for industries whose investments relate directly to a projected increase in

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employment which will result in the need for training of newly hired employees or the retraining or upgrading of the skills of existing employees for new jobs created by the new or expanding industry's investment.

3. The department shall issue rules and regulations governing the awarding of funds administered through the new or expanding industry training program. When promulgating these rules and regulations, the department shall consider such factors as the potential number of new permanent jobs to be created, the amount of private sector investment in new facilities and equipment, the significance of state funding to the industry's decision to locate or expand in Missouri, the economic need of the affected community, and the importance of the industry to the economic development of Missouri.

620.474. 1. The department shall establish a basic industry retraining program, the purpose of which is to provide assistance for industries in Missouri for the retraining and upgrading of employees' skills which are required to support new investment. Such program shall be operated with appropriations made by the general assembly from the fund or in the case of training provided by third-party training providers, with the proceeds of tax credits redeemed by qualified entities.

2. Assistance under the basic industry retraining program may be made available for industries in Missouri which make new investments without the creation of new employment.

3. The department shall issue rules and regulations governing the awarding of funds administered through the basic industry retraining fund. When promulgating these rules and regulations, the department shall consider such factors as the number of jobs in jeopardy of being lost if retraining does not occur, the amount of private sector investment in new facilities and equipment, the ratio of jobs retained versus investment, the cost of normal, ongoing training required for the industry, the economic need of the affected community, and the importance of the industry to the economic development of Missouri.

taxpayer shall be entitled to a tax credit against any tax otherwise due under the provisions of chapter 143, RSMo, or chapter 147, RSMo, or chapter 148, RSMo, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, in the amount of fifty percent of costs arising from employment of an approved third-party training provider engaged in new or expanding industry training or basic industry retraining programs under the authority of sections 620.470 to 620.481 during the taxpayer's tax year. Costs shall only be incurred after the department has approved any such third-party training

provider. The tax credit allowed by this subsection shall be claimed by the 10 11 taxpayer at the time of filing the taxpayer's return and shall be applied against the income tax liability imposed by chapter 143, RSMo, or chapter 147, 12RSMo, or chapter 148, RSMo, after all other credits provided by law have been 13 applied. That portion of earned tax credits which exceeds the taxpayer's tax 14 liability may be carried forward for up to five years and carried back for up 15 to three years. The aggregate of all tax credits authorized under this section 16 shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars in any fiscal year. Any 17 taxpayer may sell, assign, exchange, convey or otherwise transfer tax credits 18 created by this section. 19

620.1039. 1. As used in this section, the term "taxpayer" means an individual, 2 a partnership, or a corporation as described in section 143.441 or 143.471, RSMo, or 3 section 148.370, RSMo, and the term "qualified research expenses" has the same 4 meaning as prescribed in 26 U.S.C. 41.

- 5 2. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2001, the director of the 6 department of economic development may authorize a taxpayer to receive a tax credit against the tax otherwise due pursuant to chapter 143, RSMo, or chapter 148, RSMo, 7 other than the taxes withheld pursuant to sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, in an amount up to six and one-half percent of the excess of the taxpayer's qualified research 9 expenses, as certified by the director of the department of economic development, within 10 this state during the taxable year over the average of the taxpayer's qualified research 11 expenses within this state over the immediately preceding three taxable years; except 12that, no tax credit shall be allowed on that portion of the taxpayer's qualified research 13 expenses incurred within this state during the taxable year in which the credit is being 14 claimed, to the extent such expenses exceed two hundred percent of the taxpayer's 15 16 average qualified research expenses incurred during the immediately preceding three 17taxable years.
- 3. The director of economic development shall prescribe the manner in which the 18 tax credit may be applied for. The tax credit authorized by this section may be claimed 19 by the taxpayer to offset the tax liability imposed by chapter 143, RSMo, or chapter 148, 20 RSMo, that becomes due in the tax year during which such qualified research expenses 2122were incurred. Where the amount of the credit exceeds the tax liability, the difference between the credit and the tax liability may only be carried forward for the next five 23succeeding taxable years or until the full credit has been claimed, whichever first 24occurs. The application for tax credits authorized by the director pursuant to subsection 25 $^{26}$ 2 of this section shall be made no later than the end of the taxpayer's tax period

27 immediately following the tax period for which the credits are being claimed.

- 4. Certificates of tax credit issued pursuant to this section may be transferred, sold or assigned by filing a notarized endorsement thereof with the department which names the transferee and the amount of tax credit transferred. The director of economic development may allow a taxpayer to transfer, sell or assign up to forty percent of the amount of the certificates of tax credit issued to and not claimed by such taxpayer pursuant to this section during any tax year commencing on or after January 1, 1996, and ending not later than December 31, 1999. Such taxpayer shall file, by December 31, 2001, an application with the department which names the transferee, the amount of tax credit desired to be transferred, and a certification that the funds received by the applicant as a result of the transfer, sale or assignment of the tax credit shall be expended within three years at the state university for the sole purpose of conducting research activities agreed upon by the department, the taxpayer and the state university. Failure to expend such funds in the manner prescribed pursuant to this section shall cause the applicant to be subject to the provisions of section 620.017.
- 5. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated under the authority of this section shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo. All rulemaking authority delegated prior to June 27, 1997, is of no force and effect and repealed; however, nothing in this section shall be interpreted to repeal or affect the validity of any rule filed or adopted prior to June 27, 1997, if such rule complied with the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo. The provisions of this section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, including the ability to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule or portion of a rule, are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the purported grant of rulemaking authority and any rule so proposed and contained in the order of rulemaking shall be invalid and void.
  - 6. The aggregate of all tax credits authorized pursuant to this section shall not exceed nine million seven hundred thousand dollars in any year.
  - 7. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2005, no tax credits shall be approved, awarded, or issued to any person or entity claiming any tax credit under this section.

[620.1400. Sections 620.1400 to 620.1460 shall be known and may
be cited as the "Missouri Individual Training Account Program Act" and
its provisions shall be effective only within distressed communities as
defined by section 135.530, RSMo.]

[620.1410. There is hereby established an "Individual Training Account Program" within the department of economic development. Job training and retraining activities conducted pursuant to the provisions of sections 620.1400 to 620.1460 shall be directed to employee advancement, where jobs are linked to training before the training commences, and shall emphasize upgrade training where current or potential employers, by means of educational programs, provide existing employees with training for higher skilled positions. Job training activities provided pursuant to the provisions of the individual training account program shall attempt to prepare employed workers, including those with obsolete or inadequate job skills, for positions that remain unfilled or that may be created by current or potential employers.]

[620.1420. As used in sections 620.1400 to 620.1460, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Costs of classroom training", the normal costs incurred in the provision of classroom training which may also include specifically identified costs incurred for instructors, classroom space and facilities, administrative support services, and directly related expenses, that together do not exceed the amount normally allowed for support of vocational and technical classes;
  - (2) "Department", the department of economic development;
- (3) "Employee", a full-time or part-time employed worker whose salary is equal to or less than two hundred percent of the federal poverty level;
- (4) "Employee upgrade training", the progressive development of skills associated with the defined set of work processes. Such training shall be consistent with a career pattern of advancement, as measured by skill proficiency and the progressive earnings and related benefits, that are recognized within an occupation, trade or industry;
- (5) "Individual training account", an account funded by the tax credits provided for in section 620.1440 for the provision of employee upgrade training to employees through their participation in classroom training provided by educational institutions;
- (6) "Local educational institution", a publicly funded or privately funded local educational institution which is certified by a recognized accrediting association as capable of providing adequate classroom

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training to accomplish the purpose of sections 620.1400 to 620.1460.]

[620.1430. 1. A Missouri employer who desires to participate in the individual training account program shall provide the department of economic development with notification of intent to participate. The notification shall include, but need not be limited to, the names and occupations of employees whom the employer has selected to be trained, whether or not the employees are currently working for the employer, the name of the local educational institution that will provide the training, and a brief description of the training to be given by the institution.

2. The employer shall have complete discretion in the selection of the local educational institution or institutions to provide training and shall be responsible for the payment of the costs of classroom training.]

[620.1440. 1. Employers may be reimbursed for the costs of training provided pursuant to the provisions of the individual training account program. Such reimbursement shall be in the form of tax credits as authorized in subsection 2 of this section. The tax credits may be claimed for courses provided in no more than two calendar years for each employee. For each year, the maximum amount of credit per employee which can be certified by the department of economic development shall be the lesser of fifty percent of the costs of classroom training or one thousand five hundred dollars.

- 2. Tax credits may be claimed against any liability incurred by the employer pursuant to the provisions of chapter 143, RSMo, and chapter 148, RSMo, exclusive of the provisions relating to the withholding of tax as provided for in sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo. Earned tax credits may be carried forward for a period not to exceed five years and may be sold or transferred.
- 3. No claim for tax credits submitted to the department by an employer shall be certified until the employer provides documentation that an employee has successfully completed the employee's course training and has been employed by the employer in a new, full-time position for a period of at least three months. It must be demonstrated satisfactorily to the department that the new position in which the employee located is an upgrade in employment, in terms of salary and responsibilities, from the previously held position. All such increases in salary shall be in addition to normal cost-of-living increases provided for in authorized

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labor-management contracts. If the employee was previously employed in a part-time position, the base salary for the position shall be calculated as if it were a full-time position.]

[620.1450. The maximum amount of tax credits allowable pursuant to the provisions of the individual training account program shall not annually exceed six million dollars.]

[620.1460. The department of economic development may promulgate necessary rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of sections 620.1400 to 620.1460. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of sections 620.1400 to 620.1460 shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo.]

[620.1560. 1. For purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

- (1) "Department", the department of economic development;
- (2) "Disadvantaged", an individual shall be considered disadvantaged and eligible to participate in the program if such individual meets any one of the following elements:
- (a) The family income is at or below one hundred fifty percent of the poverty line;
- (b) The individual is receiving public support for the care of a foster child;
- (c) The individual faces serious barriers to employment including displaced homemakers; dislocated workers; veterans; or individuals who possess outdated skills;
  - (3) "Program", the mature worker child care program.
- 2. There is hereby established within the department of economic development a program to be known as the "Mature Worker Child Care Program". The program will administer a statewide community service, in cooperation with the neighborhood assistance program, to enroll disadvantaged individuals, who are fifty years of age or older, to work in child-care assignments. Enrollees may include qualified individuals who are currently participating in existing community service programs.
- 3. The department shall solicit proposals from organizations seeking to contract to supervise the participants. Organizations that are awarded a contract will be responsible for recruiting and training

participants, locating child-care assignments, and paying participants. Contract proposals shall include:

- (1) A requirement that participants in the program be paid the federal minimum wage;
- (2) A process that allows participants to work an average of twenty- four hours a week for public and not-for-profit day care providers and for school latch-key programs that provide before- and after-school care;
- (3) A description of the range of services to be performed by program participants, including, but not limited to, child care, food preparation, transportation, activity coordination, and clerical duties;
- (4) A requirement that the participating facilities provide proof of required licensure under sections 210.201 to 210.259, RSMo, with the exception of the public school system.
- 4. The program shall be implemented by July 1, 2000, and shall be funded through general revenue funds with no more than twelve percent of the funds to be used for administrative purposes.
- 5. In addition to tax credits currently available under the neighborhood assistance program, a participating facility shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by chapter 143, RSMo, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, and chapter 147, 148 or 153, RSMo, pursuant to this section. The amount of tax credit claimed shall not exceed the amount of the taxpayer's state tax liability for the taxable year that the credit is claimed. Taxpayers eligible for such tax credit may transfer, sell or assign them. Individual salaries up to ten thousand dollars per program participant each taxable year are eligible for the tax credit which shall not exceed twenty-five percent of the eligible salary amount. Total tax credits taken through the program shall not exceed two million dollars.
- 6. The department of economic development shall verify all tax credit claims by participating facilities. The tax credit allowed by this section shall apply to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 1999.
- 7. Subject to appropriations and to the provisions of chapter 34, RSMo, the oversight division of the committee on legislative research shall award up to thirty thousand dollars every two years for an independent evaluation of the program. Based on this program evaluation, the

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61	department shall provide a comprehensive report on the program to the
62	speaker of the house and the president pro tem of the senate by March
63	first of each year, beginning in 2001.]

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