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ANACT

To amend chapter 135, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a tax credit for firsttime homebuyers.

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

Section A. Chapter 135, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 135.665, to read as follows:

135.665. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

- 2 (1) "First-time homebuyer", an individual who has never owned a home;
- 3 (2) "Qualifying home", any home for which the purchase price is two hundred fifty 4 thousand dollars or less;
 - (3) "Tax credit", a credit against the tax otherwise due under chapter 143, RSMo, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo;
- 7 (4) "Taxpayer", any first-time homebuyer subject to the tax imposed in chapter 8 143, RSMo, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143,191 to 143,265, RSMo.
- 2. For all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2007, a taxpayer shall be allowed a tax credit for the purchase of a qualifying home. The tax credit amount shall be equal to five hundred dollars. The amount of the tax credit issued shall not exceed the amount of the taxpayer's state tax liability for the tax year for which the credit is claimed. 12
- No amount of credit that the taxpayer is prohibited by this section from claiming in a tax
- 14 year shall be refundable, nor shall any tax credit granted under this section be transferred,
- sold, or assigned.

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

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3. The department of revenue may promulgate rules to implement the provisions 16 17 of this section. 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 19 only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are 20 nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to 21 22 chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule 23 are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any 24 rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2007, shall be invalid and void.

- 4. Under section 23.253, RSMo, of the Missouri Sunset Act:
- (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset on December thirty-first six years after the effective date of this section unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly; and
- (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset on December thirty-first twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section; and
- (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset.

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