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HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 2260

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Special Committee on Job Creation and Economic Development April 3, 2008 with recommendation that House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2260 Do Pass. Referred to the Committee on Rules pursuant to Rule 25(21)(f).

Reported from the Committee on Rules April 9, 2008 with recommendation that House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2260 Do Pass with no time limit for debate.

Taken up for Perfection April 23, 2008. House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 2260 ordered Perfected and printed, as amended.

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 620.1039, and 620.1220, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to tax credits for qualified research expenses.

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

- Section A. Sections 620.1039, and 620.1220, RSMo, are repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 620.1039, and 620.1220, to read as follows:
- 620.1039. 1. As used in this section, the term "taxpayer" means an individual, a
- 2 partnership, or any charitable organization which is exempt from federal income tax and whose
- 3 Missouri unrelated business taxable income, if any, would be subject to the state income tax
- 4 imposed under chapter 143, RSMo, or a corporation as described in section 143.441 or 143.471,
- 5 RSMo, or section 148.370, RSMo, and the term "qualified research expenses" has the same
- 6 meaning as prescribed in 26 U.S.C. 41, except that such qualified research expenses shall be
- 7 limited to those incurred in the research and development of agricultural biotechnology,
- 8 plant genomics products, diagnostic and therapeutic medical devices, prescription
- 9 pharmaceuticals consumed by humans or animals, or qualified research expenses incurred

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.

in the research, development or manufacture of power system technology for aerospace,
 space, defense, or implantable or wearable medical devices.

- 2. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2001, the director of the department of economic development [may] **shall** authorize a taxpayer to receive a tax credit against the tax otherwise due pursuant to chapter 143, RSMo, or chapter 148, RSMo, 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 expenses, as certified by the director of the department of economic development[, within this state during the taxable year over the average of the taxpayer's qualified research expenses within this state over the immediately preceding three taxable years; except that, no tax credit shall be allowed on that portion of the taxpayer's qualified research expenses incurred within this state during the taxable year in which the credit is being claimed, to the extent such expenses exceed two hundred percent of the taxpayer's average qualified research expenses incurred during the immediately preceding three taxable years].
- 3. The director of economic development shall prescribe the manner in which the tax credit may be applied for. The tax credit authorized by this section may be claimed by the taxpayer to offset the tax liability imposed by chapter 143, RSMo, or chapter 148, RSMo, that becomes due in the tax year during which such qualified research expenses were 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 succeeding taxable years or until the full credit has been claimed, whichever first occurs. The application for tax credits authorized by the director pursuant to subsection 2 of this section shall be made **no earlier than January first and** no later than [the end of] **July first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which** the taxpayer's tax period [immediately following the tax period] for which the credits are being claimed **ended.** The director shall act on any such application for tax credits no sooner than August first but no later than August fifteenth of each year for applications filed in that calendar year.
- 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] **2009**, and ending not later than December 31, [1999] **2015**. Such taxpayer shall file, by December 31, [2001] **2017**, 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] ten million [seven hundred thousand] dollars in any calendar year. In the event that total eligible claims for credits received in a calendar year exceed the annual cap, each eligible claimant shall be issued credits based upon the following formula: the eligible credits if the annual cap had not been exceeded multiplied by the ratio of the annual cap divided by the total of all eligible claims for credits filed in that calendar 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]

 No one taxpayer shall be issued more than thirty percent of the aggregate of all tax credits authorized under this section in any calendar year.

620.1220. The office of the Missouri film commission [shall] **may** be located in 2 Jefferson City and shall replace any state agency, division or staff which, on August 28, 1996, sections 620.1200 to 620.1240, provides services to the film industry or is organized to promote film production in Missouri. The department of economic development may transfer staff from any agency replaced by the office of the Missouri film commission to this office.

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