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AN ACT

To repeal sections 67.1461, 135.950, 135.957, 135.960, 135.963, 135.967, 137.106, 144.054, and 620.1881, RSMO, and section 135.953 as truly agreed to and finally passed in conference committee substitute for senate committee substitute for house committee substitute for house bill no. 1965, ninety-fifth general assembly, second regular session, and section 137.115 as truly agreed to and finally passed in senate committee substitute for senate bill no. 630, ninety-fifth general assembly, second regular session, and to enact in lieu thereof fifteen new sections relating to job growth.

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

Section A. Sections 67.1461, 135.950, 135.957, 135.960, 135.963, 135.967, 137.106, 144.054, and 620.1881, RSMo, and section 135.953 as truly agreed to and finally passed in 2 3 conference committee substitute for senate committee substitute for house committee substitute for house bill no. 1965, ninety-fifth general assembly, second regular session, and section 4 5 137.115 as truly agreed to and finally passed in senate committee substitute for senate bill no. 630, ninety-fifth general assembly, second regular session are repealed and fifteen new sections 6 7 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 67.1461, 67.2050, 135.950, 135.953, 135.957, 135.960, 135.963, 135.967, 135.969, 137.106, 137.115, 144.054, 144.810, 620.1881, and 8 9 620.1910, to read as follows:

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:

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.

(2) To sue and be sued:

5 (1) To adopt, amend, and repeal bylaws, not inconsistent with sections 67.1401 to 6 67.1571, necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;

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8 (3) To make and enter into contracts and other instruments, with public and private 9 entities, necessary or convenient to exercise its powers and carry out its duties pursuant to 10 sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;

(4) To accept grants, guarantees and donations of property, labor, services, or otherthings of value from any public or private source;

13 (5) To employ or contract for such managerial, engineering, legal, technical, clerical,14 accounting, or other assistance as it deems advisable;

(6) To acquire by purchase, lease, gift, grant, bequest, devise, or otherwise, any real
 property within its boundaries, personal property, or any interest in such property;

(7) To sell, lease, exchange, transfer, assign, mortgage, pledge, hypothecate, or otherwiseencumber or dispose of any real or personal property or any interest in such property;

(8) To levy and collect special assessments and taxes as provided in sections 67.1401
to 67.1571. However, no such assessments or taxes shall be levied on any property exempt from
taxation pursuant to subdivision (5) of section 137.100, RSMo. Those exempt pursuant to
subdivision (5) of section 137.100, RSMo, may voluntarily participate in the provisions of
sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;

(9) If the district is a political subdivision, to levy real property taxes and business
license taxes in the county seat of a county of the first classification containing a population of
at least two hundred thousand, as provided in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571. However, no such
assessments or taxes shall be levied on any property exempt from taxation pursuant to
subdivisions (2) and (5) of section 137.100, RSMo. Those exempt pursuant to subdivisions (2)
and (5) of section 137.100, RSMo, may voluntarily participate in the provisions of sections
67.1401 to 67.1571;

(10) If the district is a political subdivision, to levy sales taxes pursuant to sections
67.1401 to 67.1571;

33 (11) To fix, charge, and collect fees, rents, and other charges for use of any of the34 following:

(a) The district's real property, except for public rights-of-way for utilities;

36 (b) The district's personal property, except in a city not within a county; or

37 (c) Any of the district's interests in such real or personal property, except for public38 rights-of-way for utilities;

39 (12) To borrow money from any public or private source and issue obligations and40 provide security for the repayment of the same as provided in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;

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41 (13) To loan money as provided in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571; 42 (14) To make expenditures, create reserve funds, and use its revenues as necessary to carry out its powers or duties and the provisions and purposes of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571; 43 44 (15) To enter into one or more agreements with the municipality for the purpose of 45 abating any public nuisance within the boundaries of the district including, but not limited to, 46 the stabilization, repair or maintenance or demolition and removal of buildings or structures, 47 provided that the municipality has declared the existence of a public nuisance; 48 (16) Within its boundaries, to provide assistance to or to construct, reconstruct, install, 49 repair, maintain, and equip any of the following public improvements: 50 (a) Pedestrian or shopping malls and plazas; 51 (b) Parks, lawns, trees, and any other landscape; 52 (c) Convention centers, arenas, aquariums, aviaries, and meeting facilities; 53 (d) Sidewalks, streets, alleys, bridges, ramps, tunnels, overpasses and underpasses, traffic 54 signs and signals, utilities, drainage, water, storm and sewer systems, and other site 55 improvements; 56 (e) Parking lots, garages, or other facilities; 57 (f) Lakes, dams, and waterways; (g) Streetscape, lighting, benches or other seating furniture, trash receptacles, marquees, 58 59 awnings, canopies, walls, and barriers; 60 (h) Telephone and information booths, bus stop and other shelters, rest rooms, and 61 kiosks; 62 (i) Paintings, murals, display cases, sculptures, and fountains; 63 (i) Music, news, and child-care facilities; and 64 (k) Any other useful, necessary, or desired improvement; 65 (17) To dedicate to the municipality, with the municipality's consent, streets, sidewalks, parks, and other real property and improvements located within its boundaries for public use; 66 67 (18) Within its boundaries and with the municipality's consent, to prohibit or restrict vehicular and pedestrian traffic and vendors on streets, alleys, malls, bridges, ramps, sidewalks, 68 69 and tunnels and to provide the means for access by emergency vehicles to or in such areas; 70 (19) Within its boundaries, to operate or to contract for the provision of music, news, 71 child-care, or parking facilities, and buses, minibuses, or other modes of transportation; 72 (20) Within its boundaries, to lease space for sidewalk café tables and chairs; 73 (21) Within its boundaries, to provide or contract for the provision of security personnel, 74 equipment, or facilities for the protection of property and persons; 75 (22) Within its boundaries, to provide or contract for cleaning, maintenance, and other 76 services to public and private property;

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(23) To produce and promote any tourism, recreational or cultural activity or special
event in the district by, but not limited to, advertising, decoration of any public place in the
district, promotion of such activity and special events, and furnishing music in any public place;

80 (24) To support business activity and economic development in the district including, 81 but not limited to, the promotion of business activity, development and retention, and the 82 recruitment of developers and businesses;

83 (25) To provide or support training programs for employees of businesses within the84 district;

(26) To provide refuse collection and disposal services within the district;

(27) To contract for or conduct economic, planning, marketing or other studies;

87 (28) To repair, restore, or maintain any abandoned cemetery on public or private land88 within the district; and

(29) To carry out any other powers set forth in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571.

2. Each district which is located in a blighted area or which includes a blighted area shallhave the following additional powers:

(1) Within its blighted area, to contract with any private property owner to demolish and
 remove, renovate, reconstruct, construct, or rehabilitate any building or structure or
 improvement owned by such private property owner; and

95 (2) To expend its revenues or loan its revenues pursuant to a contract entered into 96 pursuant to this subsection, provided that the governing body of the municipality has determined 97 that the action to be taken pursuant to such contract is reasonably anticipated to remediate the 98 blighting conditions and will serve a public purpose.

99 3. Each district shall annually reimburse the municipality for the reasonable and actual 100 expenses incurred by the municipality to establish such district and review annual budgets and 101 reports of such district required to be submitted to the municipality; provided that, such annual 102 reimbursement shall not exceed one and one-half percent of the revenues collected by the district 103 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

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in the provision of the publicly funded services between areas included in such district and areasnot so included.

67.2050. 1. As used in this section, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, 2 the following terms mean:

3 (1) "Facility", a location composed of real estate, buildings, fixtures, machinery,
4 and equipment;

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(2) "Municipality", any county, city, incorporated town, or village of the state;

6 (3) "NAICS", the 2007 edition of the North American Industry Classification 7 System developed under the direction and guidance of the federal Office of Management 8 and Budget. Any NAICS sector, subsector, industry group, or industry identified in this 9 section shall include its corresponding classification in previous and subsequent federal 10 industry classification systems;

(4) "Technology business facility", a facility purchased, constructed, extended, or
 improved under this section, provided that such business facility is engaged in:

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(a) Data processing, hosting, and related services (NAICS 518210); or

(b) Internet publishing and broadcasting and web search portals (NAICS 519130),
 at the business facility;

(5) "Technology business facility project" or "project", the purchase, construction,
 extension, and improvement of technology business facilities, whether of the facility as a
 whole or of any one or more of the facility's components of real estate, buildings, fixtures,
 machinery, and equipment.

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2. The governing body of any municipality may:

(1) Carry out technology business facility projects for economic development under
 this section;

(2) Accept grants from the federal and state governments for technology business
 facility project purposes, and may enter into such agreements as are not contrary to the
 laws of this state and which may be required as a condition of grants by the federal
 government or its agencies; and

(3) Receive gifts and donations from private sources to be used for technology
business facility project purposes.

3. The governing body of the municipality may enter into loan agreements, sell, lease, or mortgage to private persons, partnerships, or corporations any one or more of the components of a facility received, purchased, constructed, or extended by the municipality for development of a technology business facility project. The loan agreement, installment sale agreement, lease, or other such document shall contain such other terms as are agreed upon between the municipality and the obligor, provided that such terms shall be

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35 consistent with this section. When, in the judgment of the governing body of the 36 municipality, the technology business facility project will result in economic benefits to the 37 municipality, the governing body may lawfully enter into an agreement that includes 38 nominal monetary consideration to the municipality in exchange for the use of one or more 39 components of the facility.

40 4. Transactions involving the lease or rental of any components of a project under 41 this section shall be specifically exempted from the provisions of the local sales tax law as 42 defined in section 32.085, section 238.235, and sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 43 144.761, and from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable under the local 44 sales tax law as defined in section 32.085, section 238.235, and sections 144.010 to 144.525 45 and 144.600 to 144.745.

46 5. Leasehold interests granted and held under this section shall not be subject to
 47 property taxes.

6. Any payments in lieu of taxes expected to be made by any lessee of the project shall be applied in accordance with this section. The lessee may reimburse the municipality for its actual costs of administering the plan. All amounts paid in excess of such actual costs shall, immediately upon receipt thereof, be disbursed by the municipality's treasurer or other financial officer to each affected taxing entity in proportion to the current ad valorem tax levy of each affected taxing entity.

7. The county assessor shall include the current assessed value of all property within the affected taxing entities in the aggregate valuation of assessed property entered upon the assessor's book and verified under section 137.245, and such value shall be used for the purpose of the debt limitation on local government under section 26(b), article VI, Constitution of Missouri.

59 8. The governing body of any municipality may sell or otherwise dispose of the property, buildings, or plants acquired under this section to private persons or 60 61 corporations for technology business facility project purposes upon approval by the governing body. The terms and method of the sale or other disposal shall be established 62 63 by the governing body so as to reasonably protect the economic well-being of the municipality and to promote the development of technology business facility projects. A 64 65 private person or corporation that initially transfers property to the municipality for the purposes of a technology business facility project and does not charge a purchase price to 66 the municipality shall retain the right, upon request to the municipality, to have the 67 68 municipality retransfer the donated property to the person or corporation at no cost.

135.950. The following terms, whenever used in sections 135.950 to 135.970 mean:

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(1) "Average wage", the new payroll divided by the number of new jobs;

3 (2) "Blighted area", an area which, by reason of the predominance of defective or 4 inadequate street layout, unsanitary or unsafe conditions, deterioration of site improvements, improper subdivision or obsolete platting, or the existence of conditions which endanger life or 5 property by fire and other causes, or any combination of such factors, retards the provision of 6 7 housing accommodations or constitutes an economic or social liability or a menace to the public health, safety, morals, or welfare in its present condition and use; 8

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- (3) "Board", an enhanced enterprise zone board established pursuant to section 135.957;
- (4) "Certified site zone", an area of real property that:
- 11 (a) Encompasses not less than fifty acres that has been approved as a certified site 12 by the department;
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(b) Has been found to be blighted by the governing authority; and

(c) Is located in a census tract which has a poverty rate of fifteen percent or more, 14 15 or for which the median income that is less than:

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a. Statewide median income: or

17 b. The metropolitan median income for the metropolitan statistical area in which 18 the certified site zone is located;

- 19 (5) "Certified site", an area of property designated as a certified site by the 20 department under the certified sites program;
- 21 (6) "Commencement of commercial operations" shall be deemed to occur during the first 22 taxable year for which the new business facility is first put into use by the taxpayer in the 23 enhanced business enterprise in which the taxpayer intends to use the new business facility;

24 [(5)] (7) "County average wage", the average wages in each county as determined by the 25 department for the most recently completed full calendar year. However, if the computed county 26 average wage is above the statewide average wage, the statewide average wage shall be deemed 27 the county average wage for such county for the purpose of determining eligibility. The 28 department shall publish the county average wage for each county at least annually. 29 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision to the contrary, for any taxpayer that in conjunction with their project is relocating employees from a Missouri county with a higher 30 31 county average wage, such taxpayer shall obtain the endorsement of the governing body of the 32 community from which jobs are being relocated or the county average wage for their project shall 33 be the county average wage for the county from which the employees are being relocated; 34 [(6)] (8) "Department", the department of economic development;

- 35 [(7)] (9) "Director", the director of the department of economic development;
- 36 (10) "Dormant manufacturing plant zone", an area of real property:

(a) Encompassing not less than two hundred fifty acres that, within five years of
the date of the notice of intent, was predominantly used for manufacturing or assembly
and employed not less than three thousand persons but has since ceased all activity;

- 40 (b) That has been found, by an ordinance adopted by the governing body, to be a
 41 blighted area and designated for redevelopment; and
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(c) That:

a. Is located in a census tract with, according to United States Census Bureau's
American Community Survey based on the most recent of five-year period estimated data
in which the estimate ends in either zero or five, a poverty rate of fifteen percent or more,
or the median household income is below the statewide median household income or the
metropolitan median household income for the metropolitan statistical area in which the
property is located; or

b. Involves funding provided by a federal agency of at least one million dollars to
 facilitate the redevelopment of such property;

51 [(8)] (11) "Employee", a person employed by the enhanced business enterprise that is 52 scheduled to work an average of at least one thousand hours per year, and such person at all 53 times has health insurance offered to him or her, which is partially paid for by the employer;

54 [(9)] (12) "Enhanced business enterprise", an industry or one of a cluster of industries 55 that is either:

(a) Identified by the department as critical to the state's economic security and growth,
or in the case of a business enterprise located in a certified site zone, will also include data
processing, hosting, and related services (NAICS 518210) and internet publishing,
broadcasting, and web search portals (NAICS 519130); or

60 (b) Will have an impact on industry cluster development, as identified by the governing authority in its application for designation of an enhanced enterprise zone and approved or 61 **deemed approved** by the department; but excluding gambling establishments (NAICS industry 62 group 7132), retail trade (NAICS sectors 44 and 45), educational services (NAICS sector 61), 63 religious organizations (NAICS industry group 8131), public administration (NAICS sector 92), 64 65 and food and drinking places (NAICS subsector 722), however, notwithstanding provisions of this section to the contrary, headquarters or administrative offices of an otherwise excluded 66 business may qualify for benefits if the offices serve a multistate territory. In the event a 67 68 national, state, or regional headquarters operation is not the predominant activity of a project facility, the new jobs and investment of such headquarters operation is considered eligible for 69 70 benefits under this section if the other requirements are satisfied. Service industries may be 71 eligible only if a majority of its annual revenues will be derived from out of the state;

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72 [(10)] (13) "Existing business facility", any facility in this state which was employed by 73 the taxpayer claiming the credit in the operation of an enhanced business enterprise immediately 74 prior to an expansion, acquisition, addition, or replacement;

75 [(11)] (14) "Facility", any building used as an enhanced business enterprise located 76 within an enhanced enterprise zone, including the land on which the facility is located and all 77 machinery, equipment, and other real and depreciable tangible personal property acquired for use 78 at and located at or within such facility and used in connection with the operation of such 79 facility;

80 [(12)] (15) "Facility base employment", the greater of the number of employees located 81 at the facility on the date of the notice of intent, or for the twelve-month period prior to the date 82 of the notice of intent, the average number of employees located at the facility, or in the event 83 the project facility has not been in operation for a full twelve-month period, the average number of employees for the number of months the facility has been in operation prior to the date of the 84 85 notice of intent;

86 [(13)] (16) "Facility base payroll", the total amount of taxable wages paid by the 87 enhanced business enterprise to employees of the enhanced business enterprise located at the 88 facility in the twelve months prior to the notice of intent, not including the payroll of owners of 89 the enhanced business enterprise unless the enhanced business enterprise is participating in an 90 employee stock ownership plan. For the purposes of calculating the benefits under this program, 91 the amount of base payroll shall increase each year based on the consumer price index or other 92 comparable measure, as determined by the department;

93 [(14)] (17) "Governing authority", the body holding primary legislative authority over 94 a county or incorporated municipality;

95 [(15)] (18) "Megaproject", any manufacturing or assembling facility, approved by the 96 department for construction and operation within an enhanced enterprise zone, which satisfies 97 the following:

98 (a) The new capital investment is projected to exceed three hundred million dollars over 99 a period of eight years from the date of approval by the department;

100 (b) The number of new jobs is projected to exceed one thousand over a period of eight 101 years beginning on the date of approval by the department;

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(c) The average wage of new jobs to be created shall exceed the county average wage; 103 (d) The taxpayer shall offer health insurance to all new jobs and pay at least eighty

104 percent of such insurance premiums; and

105 (e) An acceptable plan of repayment, to the state, of the tax credits provided for the 106 megaproject has been provided by the taxpayer;

107 [(16)] (19) "NAICS", the [1997] 2007 edition of the North American Industry 108 Classification System as prepared by the Executive Office of the President, Office of 109 Management and Budget. Any NAICS sector, subsector, industry group or industry identified 110 in this section shall include its corresponding classification in subsequent federal industry 111 classification systems;

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[(17)] (20) "New business facility", a facility that satisfies the following requirements:

113 (a) Such facility is employed by the taxpayer in the operation of an enhanced business 114 enterprise. Such facility shall not be considered a new business facility in the hands of the 115 taxpayer if the taxpayer's only activity with respect to such facility is to lease it to another person 116 or persons. If the taxpayer employs only a portion of such facility in the operation of an 117 enhanced business enterprise, and leases another portion of such facility to another person or 118 persons or does not otherwise use such other portions in the operation of an enhanced business 119 enterprise, the portion employed by the taxpayer in the operation of an enhanced business 120 enterprise shall be considered a new business facility, if the requirements of paragraphs (b), (c), 121 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 is not continued by the taxpayer at such facility; and

131 (d) Such facility is not a replacement business facility, as defined in subdivision [(25)]132 (28) of this section;

[(18)] (21) "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 135.967 or section 135.969 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;

[(19)] (22) "New business facility investment", the value of real and depreciable tangible personal property, acquired by the taxpayer or on its behalf in the case of a lease, as part of the new business facility, which is used by the taxpayer in the operation of the new business facility, during the taxable year for which the credit allowed by section 135.967 or 135.969 is claimed, except that trucks, truck-trailers, truck semitrailers, rail vehicles, barge vehicles, aircraft and

143 other rolling stock for hire, track, switches, barges, bridges, tunnels, and rail yards and spurs shall

144 not constitute new business facility investments. The total value of such property during such145 taxable year shall be:

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

147 (b) Eight times the net annual rental rate, if leased by the taxpayer. The net annual rental 148 rate shall be the annual rental rate paid by the taxpayer less any annual rental rate received by the 149 taxpayer from subrentals. The new business facility investment shall be determined by dividing 150 by twelve the sum of the total value of such property on the last business day of each calendar 151 month of the taxable year. If the new business facility is in operation for less than an entire 152 taxable year, the new business facility investment shall be determined by dividing the sum of the 153 total value of such property on the last business day of each full calendar month during the 154 portion of such taxable year during which the new business facility was in operation by the 155 number of full calendar months during such period;

[(20)] (23) "New job", the number of employees located at the facility that exceeds the facility base employment less any decrease in the number of the employees at related facilities below the related facility base employment. No job that was created prior to the date of the notice of intent shall be deemed a new job;

[(21)] (24) "Notice of intent", a form developed by the department which is completed
by the enhanced business enterprise and submitted to the department which states the enhanced
business enterprise's intent to hire new jobs and request benefits under such program;

163 [(22)] (25) "Related facility", a facility operated by the enhanced business enterprise or 164 a related company in this state that is directly related to the operation of the project facility;

[(23)] (26) "Related facility base employment", the greater of:

(a) The number of employees located at all related facilities on the date of the notice ofintent; or

(b) For the twelve-month period prior to the date of the notice of intent, the average
number of employees located at all related facilities of the enhanced business enterprise or a
related company located in this state;

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(a) A corporation, partnership, trust, or association controlled by the taxpayer;

173 (b) An individual, corporation, partnership, trust, or association in control of the 174 taxpayer; or

(c) A corporation, partnership, trust or association controlled by an individual,
corporation, partnership, trust or association in control of the 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

179 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;

[(25)] (28) "Replacement business facility", a facility otherwise described in subdivision [(17)] (20) 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

194 (b) The old facility was employed by the taxpayer or a related taxpayer in the operation 195 of an enhanced business enterprise and the taxpayer continues the operation of the same or 196 substantially similar enhanced business enterprise at the new facility. Notwithstanding the 197 preceding provisions of this subdivision, a facility shall not be considered a replacement business 198 facility if the taxpayer's new business facility investment, as computed in subdivision [(19)] (22) 199 of this section, in the new facility during the tax period for which the credits allowed in section 200 135.967 or 135.969 are claimed exceed one million dollars and if the total number of employees 201 at the new facility exceeds the total number of employees at the old facility by at least two;

[(26)] (29) "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.

135.953. 1. For purposes of sections 135.950 to 135.970, an area shall meet the 2 following criteria in order to qualify as an enhanced enterprise zone:

3 (1) The area shall be a blighted area, have pervasive poverty, unemployment and general
4 distress; and

5 (2) At least sixty percent of the residents living in the area have incomes below ninety 6 percent of the median income of all residents:

7 (a) Within the state of Missouri, according to the [last decennial census] United States
8 Census Bureau's American Community Survey, based on the most recent of five-year

9 period estimate data in which the final year of the estimate ends in either zero or five or

10 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, accordingto the last decennial census or other appropriate source as approved by the director; and

13 (3) The resident population of the area shall be at least five hundred but not more than 14 one hundred thousand at the time of designation as an enhanced enterprise zone if the area lies 15 within a metropolitan statistical area, as established by the United States Census Bureau, or if the area does not lie within a metropolitan statistical area, the resident population of the area at 16 the time of designation shall be at least five hundred but not more than forty thousand 17 18 inhabitants. If the population of the jurisdiction of the governing authority does not meet the 19 minimum population requirements set forth in this subdivision, the population of the area must 20 be at least fifty percent of the population of the jurisdiction. However, no enhanced enterprise 21 zone shall be created which consists of the total area within the political boundaries of a county; 22 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:

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(a) The state of Missouri over the previous twelve months; or

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(b) The county or city not within a county over the previous twelve months.

28 2. Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection 1 of this section to the contrary, an 29 enhanced enterprise zone may be established in an area located within a county for which public 30 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 31 32 an emergency proclaimed by the governor pursuant to section 44.100, RSMo, due to a natural 33 disaster of major proportions, if the area to be designated is blighted and sustained severe 34 damage as a result of such natural disaster, as determined by the state emergency management 35 agency. An application for designation as an enhanced enterprise zone pursuant to this subsection shall be made before the expiration of one year from the date the governor requested 36 37 federal relief for the area sought to be designated.

38 3. Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection 1 of this section to the contrary, an 39 enhanced enterprise zone may be designated in a county of declining population if it meets the 40 requirements of subdivisions (1), (3) and either (2) or (4) of subsection 1 of this section. For the 41 purposes of this subsection, a "county of declining population" is one that has lost one percent 42 or more of its population as demonstrated by comparing the most recent decennial census 43 population to the next most recent decennial census population for the county.

44 4. Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection 1 of this section to the contrary, 45 a certified site zone or a dormant manufacturing plant zone may be designated as an 46 enhanced enterprise zone if the certified site zone meets the criteria set forth in subdivision 47 (4) of section 135.950 or if the dormant manufacturing plant zone meets the criteria set 48 forth in subdivision (10) of section 135.950.

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

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(1) The potential to create sustainable jobs in a targeted industry; or

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(2) A demonstrated impact on local industry cluster development.

6. The amendment to paragraph (a) of subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of this section as enacted by house bill no. 2, ninety-fifth general assembly, second regular session, first extraordinary session shall not become effective unless conference committee substitute for senate committee substitute for house committee substitute for house bill no. 1965, ninetyfifth general assembly, second regular session becomes law.

135.957. 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.

7 2. The school district member and the affected taxing district member shall each have 8 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 have initial terms of three years, and one shall have an 9 10 initial term of two years. Thereafter, members shall serve terms of five years. Each commissioner shall hold office until a successor has been appointed. All vacancies shall be filled 11 in the same manner as the original appointment. For inefficiency or neglect of duty or 12 misconduct in office, a member of the board may be removed by the applicable appointing 13 14 authority.

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

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4. The members of the board annually shall elect a chair from among the members.

5. In the case of a certified site zone or a dormant manufacturing plant zone regarding which a finding of blight has been made as provided in subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of section 90 810, the commission created under section 90 820 may at the sele

21 subsection 1 of section 99.810, the commission created under section 99.820 may, at the sole

option of the governing authority, supplant and replace the board established in accordance with subsection 1 of this section, and the composition and organization of such commission shall be in accordance with section 99.820. If the governing authority elects for such commission to serve in the capacity of the enhanced enterprise zone board instead of the board established in accordance with subsection 1 of this section, the commission shall fulfill the duties of the board established under subsection 6 of this section.

6. The role of the board or commission, as described in subsection 5 of this section, 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 135.960.

135.960. 1. Any governing authority that desires to have any portion of a city or unincorporated area of a county under its control designated as an enhanced enterprise zone shall 2 3 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 4 such hearing at least thirty days prior thereto and shall publish notice of such hearing in a 5 6 newspaper of general circulation in the area to be affected by such designation at least twenty 7 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 8 director's designee, shall attend such hearing. In the alternative, any governing authority that 9 has made the necessary findings by ordinance to designate a certified site zone or a 10 11 dormant manufacturing plant zone as a blighted area as contemplated under subdivision 12 (1) of subsection 1 of section 99.820, prior to December 31, 2010, shall not be required to 13 conduct an additional public hearing to establish the certified site zone or the dormant manufacturing plant zone as an enhanced enterprise zone so long as the governing 14 authority notified the director of such hearing, at least thirty days prior thereto. Any 15 governing authority that seeks to make the necessary finding to designate a certified site 16 zone or a dormant manufacturing plant zone as an enhanced enterprise zone after 17 18 December 31, 2010, may do so under a public hearing required under sections 99.820 and 19 99.825 conducted by the commission, and such public hearing shall satisfy the public 20 hearing requirement set forth in subsection 1 of this section so long as the governing 21 authority shall notify the director of such hearing at least thirty days prior thereto. 22 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 thephysical, social, and economic characteristics of the area:

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(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;

(4) A plan to ensure that resources are available to assist area residents to participate in
 increased development through self-help efforts and in ameliorating any negative effects of
 designation of the area as an enhanced enterprise zone;

37 (5) A statement describing the projected positive and negative effects of designation of38 the area as an enhanced enterprise zone;

39 (6) A specific plan to provide assistance to any person or business dislocated as a result 40 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 41 42 the type, location, and price of comparable housing or commercial property; provide information 43 concerning state and federal programs for relocation assistance and provide other advisory 44 services to displaced persons. Public agencies may choose to provide assistance under the 45 Uniform Relocation and Real Property Acquisition Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 4601, et seq., to meet 46 the requirements of this subdivision; and

47 (7) A description or plan that demonstrates the requirements of subsection 4 of section48 135.953.

49 3. An enhanced enterprise zone designation shall be effective upon such approval or 50 deemed approval by the department and shall expire in twenty-five years. Notwithstanding 51 the requirement of subsection 2 of this section to the contrary, any certified site zone or 52 dormant manufacturing plant zone that has been designated as a blighted redevelopment 53 area as contemplated under subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of section 99.820 by the 54 governing body or any certified site zone or dormant manufacturing plant zone that has been otherwise designated as an enhanced enterprise zone by the governing authority 55 under this section shall be deemed approved and designated as an enhanced enterprise 56 57 zone without further approval of or additional action being taken by the department. Such 58 approval of the department of the certified site zone or dormant manufacturing plant zone 59 as an enhanced enterprise zone and the designation of the certified site zone or dormant 60 manufacturing plant zone as an enhanced enterprise zone shall be deemed effective when

the governing authority provides written notice to the department of its intent to establish
 such enhanced enterprise zone and such notice is accompanied with a petition that includes

63 all of the information required by subsection 2 of this section and, as applicable, an

64 acknowledgment by the governing authority that the provisions of subdivision (7) of

65 subsection 3 of section 137.115 shall apply to certain tangible personal property in such

66 **area.**

4. Each designated enhanced enterprise zone board shall report to the director on anannual basis regarding the status of the zone and business activity within the zone.

135.963. 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. In addition to enhanced business enterprises, a speculative industrial or warehouse building constructed by a public entity or a private entity if the land is leased by a public entity may be subject to such exemption.

9 2. Such authorizing resolution shall specify the percent of the exemption to be granted, 10 the duration of the exemption to be granted, and the political subdivisions to which such 11 exemption is to apply and any other terms, conditions, or stipulations otherwise required. A copy 12 of the resolution shall be provided to the director within thirty calendar days following adoption 13 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 of enhanced business enterprises or speculative industrial or warehouse buildings as indicated in subsection 1 of this section 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. The exemption for

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speculative buildings is subject to the approval of the governing authority for a period not to exceed two years if the building is owned by a private entity and five years if the building is owned or ground leased by a public entity. This shall not preclude the building receiving an exemption for the remaining time period established by the governing authority if it was occupied by an enhanced business enterprise. The two- and five-year time periods indicated for speculative buildings shall not be an addition to the local abatement time period for such facility.
So exemption shall be granted for a period more than twenty-five years following the

date on which the original enhanced enterprise zone was designated or deemed approved by
 the department.

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

39 7. The abatement referred to in this section shall not relieve the assessor or other 40 responsible official from ascertaining the amount of the equalized assessed value of all taxable 41 property annually as required by section 99.855, 99.957, or 99.1042, RSMo, and shall not have 42 the effect of reducing the payments in lieu of taxes referred to in subdivision (2) of subsection 43 1 of section 99.845, RSMo, subdivision (2) of subsection 3 of section 99.957, RSMo, or 44 subdivision (2) of subsection 3 of section 99.1042, RSMo, unless such reduction is set forth in the plan approved by the governing body of the municipality pursuant to subdivision (1) of 45 46 subsection 1 of section 99.820, section 99.942, or section 99.1027, RSMo.

135.967. 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 2 3 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 4 multiple [ten-year] five-year periods for subsequent expansions at the same facility. 5 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, the provisions of section 135.969 shall 6 govern the issuance of tax credits for a new business facility in a certified site zone or 7 8 dormant manufacturing plant zone approved and designated as an enhanced enterprise zone, except for the amount of tax credits to be issued with respect to such certified site 9 10 zone or dormant manufacturing plant zone as provided in subsection 5 of this section.

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 credits under sections 135.100 to 135.150, sections 135.200 to
 135.286, or section 135.535, and may not simultaneously receive tax credits under sections
 620.1875 to 620.1890, RSMo, at the same facility.

16 3. No credit shall be issued pursuant to this section unless:

(1) The number of new business facility employees engaged or maintained in
employment at the new business facility for the taxable year for which the credit is claimed
equals or exceeds two; and

20 (2) The new business facility investment for the taxable year for which the credit is 21 claimed equals or exceeds one hundred thousand dollars.

4. The annual amount of credits allowed for an approved enhanced business enterpriseshall be the lesser of:

(1) The annual amount authorized by the department for the enhanced business
 enterprise, which shall be limited to the projected state economic benefit, as determined by the
 department; or

(2) [The sum calculated based upon] An amount not to exceed the sum of thefollowing:

(a) [A credit of four hundred dollars for each new business facility employee employed
 within an enhanced enterprise zone;

(b) An additional credit of four hundred dollars for each new business facility employee who is a resident of an enhanced enterprise zone] A tax credit up to five percent of the gross wages of each new business facility employee employed within the enhanced enterprise zone if the average wage of the new jobs of the enhanced business enterprise exceeds the county average wage, or if the average wage is below the county average wage, up to three percent; and

(b) A tax credit up to one percent of new business facility investment within an enhanced enterprise zone made during the current taxable year if the average wage of the new jobs of the enhanced business enterprise exceeds the county average wage, or if the average wage is below the county average wage, up to one-half percent;

41 (c) An additional credit of four hundred dollars for each new business facility employee
42 who is paid by the enhanced business enterprise a wage that exceeds the average wage paid
43 within the county in which the facility is located, as determined by the department; and

(d) A credit equal to two percent of new business facility investment within an enhancedenterprise zone.

5. Prior to January 1, 2007, in no event shall the department authorize more than four million dollars annually to be issued for all enhanced business enterprises. After December 31, 2006, in no event shall the department authorize more than twenty-four million dollars annually to be issued for all enhanced business enterprises **including any such enhanced business enterprises located in certified site zones or dormant manufacturing plant zones under section 135.969**. 52 6. If a facility, which does not constitute a new business facility, is expanded by the 53 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; and

60 (2) The taxpayer's investment in the expansion and in the original facility prior to 61 expansion shall be determined in the manner provided in subdivision [(19)] (22) of section 62 135.950.

63 7. The number of new business facility employees during any taxable year shall be 64 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 65 66 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 67 of each full calendar month during the portion of such taxable year during which the new 68 69 business facility was in operation by the number of full calendar months during such period. For 70 the purpose of computing the credit allowed by this section in the case of a facility which 71 qualifies as a new business facility under subsection 6 of this section, and in the case of a new 72 business facility which satisfies the requirements of paragraph (c) of subdivision [(17)] (20) of 73 section 135.950, or subdivision [(25)] (28) of section 135.950, the number of new business 74 facility employees at such facility shall be reduced by the average number of individuals 75 employed, computed as provided in this subsection, at the facility during the taxable year 76 immediately preceding the taxable year in which such expansion, acquisition, or replacement 77 occurred and shall further be reduced by the number of individuals employed by the taxpayer or 78 related taxpayer that was subsequently transferred to the new business facility from another 79 Missouri facility and for which credits authorized in this section are not being earned, whether 80 such credits are earned because of an expansion, acquisition, relocation, or the establishment of 81 a new facility.

82 8. In the case where a new business facility employee who is a resident of an enhanced 83 enterprise zone for less than a twelve-month period is employed for less than a twelve-month 84 period, the credits allowed by paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of subsection 4 of this section 85 shall be determined by multiplying four hundred dollars by a fraction, the numerator of which 86 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 ofwhich is three hundred sixty-five.

89 9. For the purpose of computing the credit allowed by this section in the case of a facility 90 which qualifies as a new business facility pursuant to subsection 6 of this section, and in the case 91 of a new business facility which satisfies the requirements of paragraph (c) of subdivision [(17)] 92 (20) of section 135.950 or subdivision [(25)] (28) of section 135.950, the amount of the 93 taxpayer's new business facility investment in such facility shall be reduced by the average 94 amount, computed as provided in subdivision [(19)] (22) of section 135.950 for new business 95 facility investment, of the investment of the taxpayer, or related taxpayer immediately preceding 96 such expansion or replacement or at the time of acquisition. Furthermore, the amount of the taxpayer's new business facility investment shall also be reduced by the amount of investment 97 98 employed by the taxpayer or related taxpayer which was subsequently transferred to the new 99 business facility from another Missouri facility and for which credits authorized in this section 100 are not being earned, whether such credits are earned because of an expansion, acquisition, 101 relocation, or the establishment of a new facility.

102 10. For a taxpayer with flow-through tax treatment to its members, partners, or 103 shareholders, the credit shall be allowed to members, partners, or shareholders in proportion to 104 their share of ownership on the last day of the taxpayer's tax period.

105 11. Credits may not be carried forward but shall be claimed for the taxable year during 106 which commencement of commercial operations occurs at such new business facility, and for 107 each of the nine succeeding taxable years for which the credit is issued.

108 12. Certificates of tax credit authorized by this section may be transferred, sold, or 109 assigned by filing a notarized endorsement thereof with the department that names the transferee, 110 the amount of tax credit transferred, and the value received for the credit, as well as any other 111 information reasonably requested by the department. The sale price cannot be less than 112 seventy-five percent of the par value of such credits.

113 13. The director of revenue shall issue a refund to the taxpayer to the extent that the 114 amount of credits allowed in this section exceeds the amount of the taxpayer's income tax.

115 14. Prior to the issuance of tax credits, the department shall verify through the 116 department of revenue, or any other state department, that the tax credit applicant does not owe 117 any delinquent income, sales, or use tax or interest or penalties on such taxes, or any delinquent 118 fees or assessments levied by any state department and through the department of insurance, 119 financial institutions and professional registration that the applicant does not owe any delinquent 120 insurance taxes. Such delinquency shall not affect the authorization of the application for such 121 tax credits, except that the amount of credits issued shall be reduced by the applicant's tax 122 delinquency. If the department of revenue or the department of insurance, financial institutions

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and professional registration, or any other state department, concludes that a taxpayer is delinquent after June fifteenth but before July first of any year and the application of tax credits to such delinquency causes a tax deficiency on behalf of the taxpayer to arise, then the taxpayer shall be granted thirty days to satisfy the deficiency in which interest, penalties, and additions to tax shall be tolled. After applying all available credits toward a tax delinquency, the administering agency shall notify the appropriate department, and that department shall update the amount of outstanding delinquent tax owed by the applicant. If any credits remain after

the amount of outstanding delinquent tax owed by the applicant. If any credits remain after satisfying all insurance, income, sales, and use tax delinquencies, the remaining credits shall be issued to the applicant, subject to the restrictions of other provisions of law.

135.969. 1. A taxpayer who establishes a new business facility in a certified site 2 zone or a dormant manufacturing plant zone approved or designated as an enhanced 3 enterprise zone shall receive a tax credit each tax year for five tax years, in an amount 4 determined as set forth in this section, against the tax imposed by chapter 143, excluding 5 withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265. No taxpayer shall receive multiple 6 five-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 a certified site zone or dormant manufacturing plant zone approved or designated as an enhanced enterprise zone and accepts state tax credits under this section shall not also receive tax credits or other benefits for the same new jobs under sections 135.100 to 135.150, sections 135.200 to 135.286, section 135.535, section 135.967, or sections 620.1875 to 620.1890 unless such benefits are determined to be necessary by the department.

3. The taxpayer shall be entitled to receive the tax credit upon satisfaction of oneof the following criteria:

(1) The number of new business facility employees engaged or maintained in
 employment at the new business facility for the taxable year for which the credit is claimed
 equals or exceeds nine; and

(2) The new business facility investment for the taxable year for which the credit
 is claimed equals or exceeds five hundred thousand dollars.

4. The annual amount of tax credits to be issued for an enhanced business enterprise located in a certified site zone or dormant manufacturing plant zone shall be equal to the lesser of:

(1) The annual amount of projected state economic benefit for such enhancedbusiness enterprise, as determined by the department; or

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(2) An annual amount equal to the sum of the following:

27 (a) A tax credit equal to seven percent of the gross wages of each new business 28 facility employee employed within the enhanced enterprise zone if the average wage of the new jobs of the enhanced business enterprise exceeds the county average wage, or if the 29 30 average wage is below the county average wage, equal to four percent; and

31 (b) A tax credit equal to two percent of new business facility investment within an 32 enhanced enterprise zone if the average wage of the new jobs of the enhanced business 33 enterprise exceeds the county average wage, or if the average wage is below the county 34 average wage, equal to one percent.

35 5. As set forth in section 135.967, up to twenty-four million dollars of tax credits shall be authorized annually for issuance of tax credits for all enhanced enterprise zones 36 including any tax credits issued with respect to certified site zones and dormant 37 38 manufacturing plant zones of which ten million shall be used exclusively for tax credits 39 attributable to taxpayers in accordance with this section who establish new business 40 facilities in a certified site zone qualified as such under subdivision (4) of section 135.950, provided that for calendar years 2010 and 2011, the ten million dollar limitation may be 41 42 reduced to equal the balance of tax credits available under the entire program if, as of 43 August 28, 2010, the department has made irrevocable allocations to qualified applicants for tax credits under section 135.967 such that the total of all available tax credit capacity 44 45 of this program is less than ten million dollars. Beginning January 1, 2011, if no such taxpayer or taxpayers have applied for tax credits attributable to new business facilities 46 47 in a certified site zone qualified as such under subdivision (4) of section 135.950 by November fifteenth of each calendar year for the entire ten million dollars, or such lesser 48 49 amount as computed for calendar years 2010 and 2011, any remaining tax credits for 50 which an application has not been made will be available for issuance for all enhanced enterprise zones for that calendar year. If a new business facility investment in a certified 51 52 site zone qualified as such under subdivision (4) of section 135.950 qualifies the taxpayer 53 for tax credits under subsection 4 of this section, in excess of the available annual 54 authorization limit set forth in this subsection, the taxpayer may carry such excess new 55 business facility investment amount forward to subsequent years and such excess shall be treated as a new business facility investment for such later taxable years until the taxpayer 56 57 has received issuance of all tax credits authorized under this section, and, for each such 58 taxable year, the taxpayer shall receive such tax credits on a pro rata basis with other 59 applicants for the tax credits if there are other applicants. 60 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 61 if: 62

(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 five 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; and

(2) The taxpayer's investment in the expansion and in the original facility prior to
expansion shall be determined in the manner provided in subdivision (22) of section
135.950.

73 7. The number of new business facility employees during any taxable year shall be 74 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 75 76 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 77 78 on the last business day of each full calendar month during the portion of such taxable year 79 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 80 81 section in the case of a facility which qualifies as a new business facility under subsection 82 6 of this section, and in the case of a new business facility which satisfies the requirements of paragraph (c) of subdivision (20) or (28) of section 135.950, the number of new business 83 facility employees at such facility shall be reduced by the average number of individuals 84 employed, computed as provided in this subsection, at the facility during the taxable year 85 86 immediately preceding the taxable year in which such expansion, acquisition, or replacement occurred and shall further be reduced by the number of individuals employed 87 88 by the taxpayer or related taxpayer that was subsequently transferred to the new business 89 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, 90 91 relocation, or the establishment of a new facility.

8. 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 (20) or (28) of section 135.950, the amount of the taxpayer's new business facility investment in such facility shall be reduced by the average amount, computed as provided in subdivision (22) of section 135.950 for new business facility investment, of the investment of the taxpayer, or related taxpayer immediately preceding such expansion or

99 replacement or at the time of acquisition. Furthermore, the amount of the taxpayer's new 100 business facility investment shall also be reduced by the amount of investment employed 101 by the taxpayer or related taxpayer which was subsequently transferred to the new 102 business facility from another Missouri facility and for which credits authorized in this 103 section are not being earned, whether such credits are earned because of an expansion, 104 acquisition, relocation, or the establishment of a new facility.

9. 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.

108 **10.** Except as allowed in subsection 5 of this section, credits may not be carried 109 forward but shall be claimed for the taxable year during which commencement of 110 commercial operations occurs at such new business facility, and for each of the nine 111 succeeding taxable years for which the credit is issued.

112 **11.** Certificates of tax credit authorized by this section may be transferred, sold, or 113 assigned by filing a notarized endorsement thereof with the department that names the 114 transferee, the amount of tax credit transferred, and the value received for the credit, as 115 well as any other information reasonably requested by the department. The sale price 116 cannot be less than seventy-five percent of the par value of such credits.

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

120 13. Prior to the issuance of tax credits, the department shall verify through the 121 department of revenue, or any other state department, that the tax credit applicant does 122 not owe any delinquent income, sales, or use tax or interest or penalties on such taxes, or any delinquent fees or assessments levied by any state department and through the 123 124 department of insurance, financial institutions and professional registration that the 125 applicant does not owe any delinquent insurance taxes. Such delinquency shall not affect 126 the authorization of the application for such tax credits, except that the amount of credits 127 issued shall be reduced by the applicant's tax delinquency. If the department of revenue or the department of insurance, financial institutions and professional registration, or any 128 129 other state department, concludes that a taxpayer is delinquent after June fifteenth but 130 before July first of any year and the application of tax credits to such delinquency causes 131 a tax deficiency on behalf of the taxpayer to arise, then the taxpayer shall be granted thirty 132 days to satisfy the deficiency in which interest, penalties, and additions to tax shall be 133 tolled. After applying all available credits toward a tax delinquency, the administering 134 agency shall notify the appropriate department, and that department shall update the

- 135 amount of outstanding delinquent tax owed by the applicant. If any credits remain after
- 136 satisfying all insurance, income, sales, and use tax delinquencies, the remaining credits
- 137 shall be issued to the applicant, subject to the restrictions of other provisions of law.
 - 137.106. 1. This section [may] shall be known and may be cited as "The Missouri2 Homestead Preservation Act".
 - 2. As used in this section, the following terms shall mean:
 - (1) "Department", the department of revenue;
 - (2) "Director", the director of revenue;
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(3) "Disabled", as such term is defined in section 135.010, RSMo;

7 (4) "Eligible owner", any individual owner of property who is sixty-five years old or 8 older as of January first of the tax year in which the individual is claiming the credit or who is 9 disabled, and who had an income of equal to or less than the maximum upper limit in the year 10 prior to completing an application pursuant to this section; or

(a) In the case of a married couple owning property either jointly or as tenants by the entirety, or where only one spouse owns the property, such couple shall be considered an eligible taxpayer if both spouses have reached the age of sixty-five or if one spouse is disabled, or if one spouse is at least sixty-five years old and the other spouse is at least sixty years old, and the combined income of the couple in the year prior to completing an application pursuant to this section did not exceed the maximum upper limit; or

17 (b) In the case of joint ownership by unmarried persons or ownership by tenancy in 18 common by two or more unmarried persons, such owners shall be considered an eligible owner if each person with an ownership interest individually satisfies the eligibility requirements for 19 20 an individual eligible owner under this section and the combined income of all individuals with 21 an interest in the property is equal to or less than the maximum upper limit in the year prior to 22 completing an application under this section. If any individual with an ownership interest in the 23 property fails to satisfy the eligibility requirements of an individual eligible owner or if the 24 combined income of all individuals with interest in the property exceeds the maximum upper 25 limit, then all individuals with an ownership interest in such property shall be deemed ineligible 26 owners regardless of such other individual's ability to individually meet the eligibility requirements; or 27

(c) In the case of property held in trust, the eligible owner and recipient of the tax credit shall be the trust itself provided the previous owner of the homestead or the previous owner's spouse: is the settlor of the trust with respect to the homestead; currently resides in such homestead; and but for the transfer of such property would have satisfied the age, ownership, and maximum upper limit requirements for income as defined in subdivisions (7) and (8) of this subsection;

34 No individual shall be an eligible owner if the individual has not paid [their] **the individual's**

35 property tax liability, if any, in full by the payment due date in any of the three prior tax years, 36 except that a late payment of a property tax liability in any prior year shall not disqualify a 37 potential eligible owner if such owner paid in full the tax liability and any and all penalties, 38 additions and interest that arose as a result of such late payment; no individual shall be an 39 eligible owner if such person filed a valid claim for the senior citizens property tax relief credit 40 pursuant to sections 135.010 to 135.035, RSMo;

(5) "Homestead", as such term is defined pursuant to section 135.010, RSMo, except as
limited by provisions of this section to the contrary. No property shall be considered a
homestead if such property was improved since the most recent annual assessment by more than
five percent of the prior year appraised value, except where an eligible owner of the property has
made such improvements to accommodate a disabled person;

46 "Homestead exemption limit", a percentage increase, rounded to the nearest (6) 47 hundredth of a percent, which shall be equal to the percentage increase to tax liability, not 48 including improvements, of a homestead from one tax year to the next that exceeds a certain 49 percentage set pursuant to subsection 10 of this section. For applications filed in 2005 or 2006, 50 the homestead exemption limit shall be based on the increase to tax liability from 2004 to 2005. 51 For applications filed between April 1, 2005, and September 30, 2006, an eligible owner, who 52 otherwise satisfied the requirements of this section, shall not apply for the homestead exemption 53 credit more than once during such period. For applications filed after 2006, the homestead 54 exemption limit shall be based on the increase to tax liability from two years prior to application 55 to the year immediately prior to application. For applications filed between December 31, 2008, and December 31, 2011, the homestead exemption limit shall be based on the increase in tax 56 57 liability from the base year to the year prior to the application year. For applications filed on or 58 after January 1, 2012, the homestead exemption limit shall be based on the increase to tax 59 liability from two years prior to application to the year immediately prior to application. For 60 purposes of this subdivision, the term "base year" means the year prior to the first year in which the eligible owner's application was approved, or 2006, whichever is later; 61

62 (7) "Income", federal adjusted gross income, and in the case of ownership of the
63 homestead by trust, the income of the settlor applicant shall be imputed to the income of the trust
64 for purposes of determining eligibility with regards to the maximum upper limit;

(8) "Maximum upper limit", in the calendar year 2005, the income sum of seventy
thousand dollars; in each successive calendar year this amount shall be raised by the incremental
increase in the general price level, as defined pursuant to article X, section 17 of the Missouri
Constitution.

69 3. Pursuant to article X, section 6(a) of the Constitution of Missouri, if in the prior tax 70 year, the property tax liability on any parcel of subclass (1) real property increased by more than the homestead exemption limit, without regard for any prior credit received due to the provisions 71 72 of this section, then any eligible owner of the property shall receive a homestead exemption 73 credit to be applied in the current tax year property tax liability to offset the prior year increase 74 to tax liability that exceeds the homestead exemption limit, except as eligibility for the credit is 75 limited by the provisions of this section. The amount of the credit shall be listed separately on 76 each taxpayer's tax bill for the current tax year, or on a document enclosed with the taxpayer's 77 bill. The homestead exemption credit shall not affect the process of setting the tax rate as 78 required pursuant to article X, section 22 of the Constitution of Missouri and section 137.073 in 79 any prior, current, or subsequent tax year.

80 4. If application is made in 2005, any potential eligible owner may apply for the 81 homestead exemption credit by completing an application through their local assessor's office. 82 Applications may be completed between April first and September thirtieth of any tax year in 83 order for the taxpayer to be eligible for the homestead exemption credit in the tax year next 84 following the calendar year in which the homestead exemption credit application was completed. 85 The application shall be on forms provided to the assessor's office by the department. Forms also shall be made available on the department's Internet site and at all permanent branch offices and 86 87 all full-time, temporary, or fee offices maintained by the department of revenue. The applicant 88 shall attest under penalty of perjury:

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90 91 (1) To the applicant's age;(2) That the applicant's prior year income was less than the maximum upper limit;

(3) To the address of the homestead property; and

(4) That any improvements made to the homestead, not made to accommodate a disabled
person, did not total more than five percent of the prior year appraised value. The applicant shall
also include with the application copies of receipts indicating payment of property tax by the
applicant for the homestead property for the two prior tax years.

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5. If application is made in 2005, the assessor, upon request for an application, shall:

97 (1) Certify the parcel number and owner of record as of January first of the homestead,
98 including verification of the acreage classified as residential on the assessor's property record
99 card;

100 (2) Obtain appropriate prior tax year levy codes for each homestead from the county101 clerks for inclusion on the form;

(3) Record on the application the assessed valuation of the homestead for the current tax
 year, and any new construction or improvements for the current tax year; and

104 (4) Sign the application, certifying the accuracy of the assessor's entries.

105 6. If application is made after 2005, any potential eligible owner may apply for the 106 homestead exemption credit by completing an application. Applications may be completed 107 between April first and October fifteenth of any tax year in order for the taxpayer to be eligible 108 for the homestead exemption credit in the tax year next following the calendar year in which the 109 homestead exemption credit application was completed. The application shall be on forms 110 provided by the department. Forms also shall be made available on the department's Internet site 111 and at all permanent branch offices and all full-time, temporary, or fee offices maintained by the 112 department of revenue. The applicant shall attest under penalty of perjury: 113

(1) To the applicant's age;

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(2) That the applicant's prior year income was less than the maximum upper limit;

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(3) To the address of the homestead property;

116 (4) That any improvements made to the homestead, not made to accommodate a disabled 117 person, did not total more than five percent of the prior year appraised value[; and].

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120 The applicant shall also include with the application copies of receipts indicating payment of 121 property tax by the applicant for the homestead property for the three prior tax years.

122 7. Each applicant shall send the application to the department by October fifteenth of 123 each year for the taxpayer to be eligible for the homestead exemption credit in the tax year next 124 following the calendar year in which the application was completed.

125 8. If application is made in 2005, upon receipt of the applications, the department shall 126 calculate the tax liability, adjusted to exclude new construction or improvements, verify 127 compliance with the maximum income limit, verify the age of the applicants, and make 128 adjustments to these numbers as necessary on the applications. The department also shall disallow any application where the applicant has also filed a valid application for the senior 129 130 citizens property tax credit, pursuant to sections 135.010 to 135.035, RSMo. Once adjusted tax 131 liability, age, and income are verified, the director shall determine eligibility for the credit, and 132 provide a list of all verified eligible owners to the county collectors or county clerks in counties 133 with a township form of government by December fifteenth of each year. By January fifteenth, 134 the county collectors or county clerks in counties with a township form of government shall 135 provide a list to the department of any verified eligible owners who failed to pay the property tax due for the tax year that ended immediately prior. Such eligible owners shall be disqualified 136 137 from receiving the credit in the current tax year.

138 9. If application is made after 2005, upon receipt of the applications, the department shall 139 calculate the tax liability, verify compliance with the maximum income limit, verify the age of 140 the applicants, and make adjustments to these numbers as necessary on the applications. The

department also shall disallow any application where the applicant also has filed a valid 141 142 application for the senior citizens property tax credit under sections 135.010 to 135.035, RSMo. 143 Once adjusted tax liability, age, and income are verified, the director shall determine eligibility 144 for the credit and provide a list of all verified eligible owners to the county assessors or county 145 clerks in counties with a township form of government by December fifteenth of each year. By 146 January fifteenth, the county assessors shall provide a list to the department of any verified 147 eligible owners who made improvements not for accommodation of a disability to the homestead 148 and the dollar amount of the assessed value of such improvements. If the dollar amount of the 149 assessed value of such improvements totaled more than five percent of the prior year appraised 150 value, such eligible owners shall be disqualified from receiving the credit in the current tax year.

151 10. The director shall calculate the level of appropriation necessary to set the homestead 152 exemption limit at five percent when based on a year of general reassessment or at two and 153 one-half percent when based on a year without general reassessment for the homesteads of all 154 verified eligible owners, and provide such calculation to the speaker of the house of 155 representatives, the president pro tempore of the senate, and the director of the office of budget 156 and planning in the office of administration by January thirty-first of each year.

157 11. For applications made in 2005, the general assembly shall make an appropriation for 158 the funding of the homestead exemption credit that is signed by the governor, then the director 159 shall, by July thirty-first of such year, set the homestead exemption limit. The limit shall be a 160 single, statewide percentage increase to tax liability, rounded to the nearest hundredth of a 161 percent, which, if applied to all homesteads of verified eligible owners who applied for the 162 homestead exemption credit in the immediately prior tax year, would cause all but one-quarter 163 of one percent of the amount of the appropriation, minus any withholding by the governor, to be 164 distributed during that fiscal year. The remaining one-quarter of one percent shall be distributed 165 to the county assessment funds of each county on a proportional basis, based on the number of 166 eligible owners in each county; such one-quarter percent distribution shall be delineated in any 167 such appropriation as a separate line item in the total appropriation. If no appropriation is made 168 by the general assembly during any tax year or no funds are actually distributed pursuant to any 169 appropriation therefor, then no homestead preservation credit shall apply in such year.

170 12. After setting the homestead exemption limit for applications made in 2005, the 171 director shall apply the limit to the homestead of each verified eligible owner and calculate the 172 credit to be associated with each verified eligible owner's homestead, if any. The director shall 173 send a list of those eligible owners who are to receive the homestead exemption credit, including 174 the amount of each credit, the certified parcel number of the homestead, and the address of the 175 homestead property, to the county collectors or county clerks in counties with a township form 176 of government by August thirty-first. Pursuant to such calculation, the director shall instruct the

177 state treasurer as to how to distribute the appropriation and assessment fund allocation to the 178 county collector's funds of each county or the treasurer ex officio collector's fund in counties with 179 a township form of government where recipients of the homestead exemption credit are located, 180 so as to exactly offset each homestead exemption credit being issued, plus the one-quarter of one 181 percent distribution for the county assessment funds. As a result of the appropriation, in no case 182 shall a political subdivision receive more money than it would have received absent the 183 provisions of this section plus the one-quarter of one percent distribution for the county assessment funds. Funds, at the direction of the county collector or the treasurer ex officio 184 185 collector in counties with a township form of government, shall be deposited in the county 186 collector's fund of a county or the treasurer ex officio collector's fund or may be sent by mail to 187 the collector of a county, or the treasurer ex officio collector in counties with a township form 188 of government, not later than October first in any year a homestead exemption credit is 189 appropriated as a result of this section and shall be distributed as moneys in such funds are 190 commonly distributed from other property tax revenues by the collector of the county or the 191 treasurer ex officio collector of the county in counties with a township form of government, so 192 as to exactly offset each homestead exemption credit being issued. In counties with a township 193 form of government, the county clerk shall provide the treasurer ex officio collector a summary 194 of the homestead exemption credit for each township for the purpose of distributing the total 195 homestead exemption credit to each township collector in a particular county.

13. If, in any given year after 2005, the general assembly shall make an appropriation for 197 the funding of the homestead exemption credit that is signed by the governor, then the director 198 shall determine the apportionment percentage by equally apportioning the appropriation among 199 all eligible applicants on a percentage basis. If no appropriation is made by the general assembly 200 during any tax year or no funds are actually distributed pursuant to any appropriation therefor, 201 then no homestead preservation credit shall apply in such year.

202 14. After determining the apportionment percentage, the director shall calculate the 203 credit to be associated with each verified eligible owner's homestead, if any. The director shall 204 send a list of those eligible owners who are to receive the homestead exemption credit, including 205 the amount of each credit, the certified parcel number of the homestead, and the address of the 206 homestead property, to the county collectors or county clerks in counties with a township form 207 of government by August thirty-first. Pursuant to such calculation, the director shall instruct the 208 state treasurer as to how to distribute the appropriation to the county collector's fund of each 209 county where recipients of the homestead exemption credit are located, so as to exactly offset 210 each homestead exemption credit being issued. As a result of the appropriation, in no case shall 211 a political subdivision receive more money than it would have received absent the provisions of 212 this section. Funds, at the direction of the collector of the county or treasurer ex officio collector

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in counties with a township form of government, shall be deposited in the county collector's fund of a county or may be sent by mail to the collector of a county, or treasurer ex officio collector in counties with a township form of government, not later than October first in any year a homestead exemption credit is appropriated as a result of this section and shall be distributed as moneys in such funds are commonly distributed from other property tax revenues by the collector

of the county or the treasurer ex officio collector of the county in counties with a township form of government, so as to exactly offset each homestead exemption credit being issued.

15. The department shall promulgate rules for implementation of this section. Any rule 220 221 or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, that is created under the 222 authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject 223 to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This 224 section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the 225 general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to 226 disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking 227 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2004, shall be invalid and void. Any 228 rule promulgated by the department shall in no way impact, affect, interrupt, or interfere with the 229 performance of the required statutory duties of any county elected official, more particularly 230 including the county collector when performing such duties as deemed necessary for the 231 distribution of any homestead appropriation and the distribution of all other real and personal 232 property taxes.

233 16. In the event that an eligible owner dies or transfers ownership of the property after 234 the homestead exemption limit has been set in any given year, but prior to January first of the 235 year in which the credit would otherwise be applied, the credit shall be void and any 236 corresponding moneys, pursuant to subsection 12 of this section, shall lapse to the state to be 237 credited to the general revenue fund. In the event the collector of the county or the treasurer ex 238 officio collector of the county in counties with a township form of government determines prior 239 to issuing the credit that the individual is not an eligible owner because the individual did not pay 240 the prior three years' property tax liability in full, the credit shall be void and any corresponding 241 moneys, under subsection 11 of this section, shall lapse to the state to be credited to the general 242 revenue fund.

17. This section shall apply to all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2005. Thissubsection shall become effective June 28, 2004.

18. [In accordance with the provisions of sections 23.250 to 23.298, RSMo, and unless
otherwise authorized pursuant to section 23.253, RSMo:

(1) Any new program authorized under the provisions of this section shall automatically
sunset six years after the effective date of this section; and

(2) This section shall terminate on September first of the year following the year in
which any new program authorized under this section is sunset, and the revisor of statutes shall
designate such sections and this section in a revision bill for repeal.] Under section 23.253 of
the Missouri sunset act:

(1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall
 automatically sunset on December 31, 2016, 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 31, 2022; 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.

137.115. 1. All other laws to the contrary notwithstanding, the assessor or the assessor's 2 deputies in all counties of this state including the city of St. Louis shall annually make a list of 3 all real and tangible personal property taxable in the assessor's city, county, town or district. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 of this section and section 137.078, the assessor 4 shall annually assess all personal property at thirty-three and one-third percent of its true value 5 in money as of January first of each calendar year. The assessor shall annually assess all real 6 property, including any new construction and improvements to real property, and possessory 7 8 interests in real property at the percent of its true value in money set in subsection 5 of this 9 section. The true value in money of any possessory interest in real property in subclass (3), 10 where such real property is on or lies within the ultimate airport boundary as shown by a federal airport layout plan, as defined by 14 CFR 151.5, of a commercial airport having a FAR Part 139 11 certification and owned by a political subdivision, shall be the otherwise applicable true value 12 13 in money of any such possessory interest in real property, less the total dollar amount of costs paid by a party, other than the political subdivision, towards any new construction or 14 15 improvements on such real property completed after January 1, 2008, and which are included in 16 the above-mentioned possessory interest, regardless of the year in which such costs were incurred 17 or whether such costs were considered in any prior year. The assessor shall annually assess all 18 real property in the following manner: new assessed values shall be determined as of January 19 first of each odd-numbered year and shall be entered in the assessor's books; those same assessed 20 values shall apply in the following even-numbered year, except for new construction and 21 property improvements which shall be valued as though they had been completed as of January 22 first of the preceding odd-numbered year. The assessor may call at the office, place of doing 23 business, or residence of each person required by this chapter to list property, and require the 24 person to make a correct statement of all taxable tangible personal property owned by the person 25 or under his or her care, charge or management, taxable in the county. On or before January first

of each even-numbered year, the assessor shall prepare and submit a two-year assessment 26 27 maintenance plan to the county governing body and the state tax commission for their respective 28 approval or modification. The county governing body shall approve and forward such plan or 29 its alternative to the plan to the state tax commission by February first. If the county governing 30 body fails to forward the plan or its alternative to the plan to the state tax commission by 31 February first, the assessor's plan shall be considered approved by the county governing body. 32 If the state tax commission fails to approve a plan and if the state tax commission and the 33 assessor and the governing body of the county involved are unable to resolve the differences, in 34 order to receive state cost-share funds outlined in section 137.750, the county or the assessor shall petition the administrative hearing commission, by May first, to decide all matters in 35 dispute regarding the assessment maintenance plan. Upon agreement of the parties, the matter 36 37 may be stayed while the parties proceed with mediation or arbitration upon terms agreed to by 38 the parties. The final decision of the administrative hearing commission shall be subject to 39 judicial review in the circuit court of the county involved. In the event a valuation of subclass 40 (1) real property within any county with a charter form of government, or within a city not within 41 a county, is made by a computer, computer-assisted method or a computer program, the burden 42 of proof, supported by clear, convincing and cogent evidence to sustain such valuation, shall be 43 on the assessor at any hearing or appeal. In any such county, unless the assessor proves 44 otherwise, there shall be a presumption that the assessment was made by a computer, 45 computer-assisted method or a computer program. Such evidence shall include, but shall not be 46 limited to, the following:

47 (1) The findings of the assessor based on an appraisal of the property by generally48 accepted appraisal techniques; and

49 (2) The purchase prices from sales of at least three comparable properties and the address50 or location thereof. As used in this subdivision, the word "comparable" means that:

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(a) Such sale was closed at a date relevant to the property valuation; and

52 (b) Such properties are not more than one mile from the site of the disputed property, 53 except where no similar properties exist within one mile of the disputed property, the nearest 54 comparable property shall be used. Such property shall be within five hundred square feet in size 55 of the disputed property, and resemble the disputed property in age, floor plan, number of rooms, 56 and other relevant characteristics.

57 2. Assessors in each county of this state and the city of St. Louis may send personal 58 property assessment forms through the mail.

3. The following items of personal property shall each constitute separate subclasses of
tangible personal property and shall be assessed and valued for the purposes of taxation at the
following percentages of their true value in money:

62 (1) Grain and other agricultural crops in an unmanufactured condition, one-half of one63 percent;

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(2) Livestock, twelve percent;

65 (3) Farm machinery, twelve percent;

66 (4) Motor vehicles which are eligible for registration as and are registered as historic 67 motor vehicles pursuant to section 301.131, RSMo, and aircraft which are at least twenty-five 68 years old and which are used solely for noncommercial purposes and are operated less than fifty 69 hours per year or aircraft that are home built from a kit, five percent;

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(5) Poultry, twelve percent; [and]

(6) Tools and equipment used for pollution control and tools and equipment used in retooling for the purpose of introducing new product lines or used for making improvements to existing products by any company which is located in a state enterprise zone and which is identified by any standard industrial classification number cited in subdivision (6) of section 135.200, RSMo, twenty-five percent; and

(7) Tools, telecommunications equipment, power production and transmission
 machinery and equipment, data processing machinery and equipment, and other
 machinery and equipment that is used in an enhanced enterprise zone designated as such
 a zone for a certified site zone as defined in subdivision (4) of section 135.950, one-half of
 one percent.

4. The person listing the property shall enter a true and correct statement of the property, in a printed blank prepared for that purpose. The statement, after being filled out, shall be signed and either affirmed or sworn to as provided in section 137.155. The list shall then be delivered to the assessor.

5. All subclasses of real property, as such subclasses are established in section 4(b) of article X of the Missouri Constitution and defined in section 137.016, shall be assessed at the following percentages of true value:

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(1) For real property in subclass (1), nineteen percent;

89 (2) For real property in subclass (2), twelve percent; and

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(3) For real property in subclass (3), thirty-two percent.

6. Manufactured homes, as defined in section 700.010, RSMo, which are actually used as dwelling units shall be assessed at the same percentage of true value as residential real property for the purpose of taxation. The percentage of assessment of true value for such manufactured homes shall be the same as for residential real property. If the county collector cannot identify or find the manufactured home when attempting to attach the manufactured home for payment of taxes owed by the manufactured home owner, the county collector may request the county commission to have the manufactured home removed from the tax books, and such

98 request shall be granted within thirty days after the request is made; however, the removal from 99 the tax books does not remove the tax lien on the manufactured home if it is later identified or 100 found. For purposes of this section, a manufactured home located in a manufactured home

rental park, rental community or on real estate not owned by the manufactured home owner shall
be considered personal property. For purposes of this section, a manufactured home located
on real estate owned by the manufactured home owner may be considered real property.

104 7. Each manufactured home assessed shall be considered a parcel for the purpose of
105 reimbursement pursuant to section 137.750, unless the manufactured home [has been converted
106 to] is real [property in compliance with section 700.111, RSMo] estate as defined in subsection
107 7 of section 442.015 and assessed as a realty improvement to the existing real estate parcel.

8. Any amount of tax due and owing based on the assessment of a manufactured home shall be included on the personal property tax statement of the manufactured home owner unless the manufactured home [has been converted to] is real [property in compliance with section 700.111, RSMo] estate as defined in subsection 7 of section 442.015, in which case the amount of tax due and owing on the assessment of the manufactured home as a realty improvement to the existing real estate parcel shall be included on the real property tax statement of the real estate owner.

9. The assessor of each county and each city not within a county shall use the trade-in value published in the October issue of the National Automobile Dealers' Association Official Used Car Guide, or its successor publication, as the recommended guide of information for determining the true value of motor vehicles described in such publication. In the absence of a listing for a particular motor vehicle in such publication, the assessor shall use such information or publications which in the assessor's judgment will fairly estimate the true value in money of the motor vehicle.

122 10. Before the assessor may increase the assessed valuation of any parcel of subclass (1) 123 real property by more than fifteen percent since the last assessment, excluding increases due to 124 new construction or improvements, the assessor shall conduct a physical inspection of such 125 property.

126 11. If a physical inspection is required, pursuant to subsection 10 of this section, the 127 assessor shall notify the property owner of that fact in writing and shall provide the owner clear 128 written notice of the owner's rights relating to the physical inspection. If a physical inspection 129 is required, the property owner may request that an interior inspection be performed during the 130 physical inspection. The owner shall have no less than thirty days to notify the assessor of a 131 request for an interior physical inspection.

132 12. A physical inspection, as required by subsection 10 of this section, shall include, but
133 not be limited to, an on-site personal observation and review of all exterior portions of the land

134 and any buildings and improvements to which the inspector has or may reasonably and lawfully

135 gain external access, and shall include an observation and review of the interior of any buildings

- 136 or improvements on the property upon the timely request of the owner pursuant to subsection 11
- 137 of this section. Mere observation of the property via a drive-by inspection or the like shall not
- 138 be considered sufficient to constitute a physical inspection as required by this section.

139 13. The provisions of subsections 11 and 12 of this section shall only apply in any county140 with a charter form of government with more than one million inhabitants.

141 14. A county or city collector may accept credit cards as proper form of payment of 142 outstanding property tax or license due. No county or city collector may charge surcharge for 143 payment by credit card which exceeds the fee or surcharge charged by the credit card bank, 144 processor, or issuer for its service. A county or city collector may accept payment by electronic 145 transfers of funds in payment of any tax or license and charge the person making such payment 146 a fee equal to the fee charged the county by the bank, processor, or issuer of such electronic 147 payment.

148 15. Any county or city not within a county in this state may, by an affirmative vote of 149 the governing body of such county, opt out of the provisions of this section and sections 137.073, 150 138.060, and 138.100, RSMo, as enacted by house bill no. 1150 of the ninety-first general 151 assembly, second regular session and section 137.073 as modified by house committee substitute 152 for senate substitute for senate committee substitute for senate bill no. 960, ninety-second general 153 assembly, second regular session, for the next year of the general reassessment, prior to January 154 first of any year. No county or city not within a county shall exercise this opt-out provision after 155 implementing the provisions of this section and sections 137.073, 138.060, and 138.100, RSMo, 156 as enacted by house bill no. 1150 of the ninety-first general assembly, second regular session and 157 section 137.073 as modified by house committee substitute for senate substitute for senate 158 committee substitute for senate bill no. 960, ninety-second general assembly, second regular 159 session, in a year of general reassessment. For the purposes of applying the provisions of this 160 subsection, a political subdivision contained within two or more counties where at least one of 161 such counties has opted out and at least one of such counties has not opted out shall calculate a 162 single tax rate as in effect prior to the enactment of house bill no. 1150 of the ninety-first general 163 assembly, second regular session. A governing body of a city not within a county or a county 164 that has opted out under the provisions of this subsection may choose to implement the 165 provisions of this section and sections 137.073, 138.060, and 138.100, RSMo, as enacted by 166 house bill no. 1150 of the ninety-first general assembly, second regular session, and section 167 137.073 as modified by house committee substitute for senate substitute for senate committee 168 substitute for senate bill no. 960, ninety-second general assembly, second regular session, for the

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169 next year of general reassessment, by an affirmative vote of the governing body prior to170 December thirty-first of any year.

171 16. The governing body of any city of the third classification with more than twenty-six 172 thousand three hundred but fewer than twenty-six thousand seven hundred inhabitants located 173 in any county that has exercised its authority to opt out under subsection 15 of this section may 174 levy separate and differing tax rates for real and personal property only if such city bills and 175 collects its own property taxes or satisfies the entire cost of the billing and collection of such 176 separate and differing tax rates. Such separate and differing rates shall not exceed such city's tax 177 rate ceiling.

178 **17.** The amendments to subsections 6, 7, and 8 of this section as enacted by house 179 bill no. 2, ninety-fifth general assembly, second regular session, first extraordinary session 180 shall not become effective unless senate committee substitute for senate bill no. 630, ninety-181 fifth general assembly, second regular session becomes law. Upon such contingency, the 182 amendments to subsections 6, 7, and 8 shall become effective March 1, 2011.

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

2 (1) "Processing", any mode of treatment, act, or series of acts performed upon materials
3 to transform or reduce them to a different state or thing, including treatment necessary to
4 maintain or preserve such processing by the producer at the production facility;

5 (2) "Recovered materials", those materials which have been diverted or removed from 6 the solid waste stream for sale, use, reuse, or recycling, whether or not they require subsequent 7 separation and processing.

8 2. In addition to all other exemptions granted under this chapter, there is hereby 9 specifically exempted from the provisions of sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761, and from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable under sections 144.010 10 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761, electrical energy and gas, whether natural, artificial, or 11 propane, water, coal, and energy sources, chemicals, machinery, equipment, and materials used 12 13 or consumed in the manufacturing, processing, compounding, mining, or producing of any product, or used or consumed in the processing of recovered materials, or used in research and 14 15 development related to manufacturing, processing, compounding, mining, or producing any product. The exemptions granted in this subsection shall not apply to local sales taxes as defined 16 17 in section 32.085, RSMo, and the provisions of this subsection shall be in addition to any state 18 and local sales tax exemption provided in section 144.030.

In addition to all other exemptions granted under this chapter, there is hereby
 specifically exempted from the provisions of sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to
 144.761, and section 238.235, RSMo, and the local sales tax law as defined in section 32.085,
 RSMo, and from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable under sections 144.010

23 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761, and section 238.235, RSMo, and the local sales tax law as 24 defined in section 32.085, RSMo, all utilities, machinery, and equipment used or consumed 25 directly in television or radio broadcasting and all sales and purchases of tangible personal 26 property, utilities, services, or any other transaction that would otherwise be subject to the state 27 or local sales or use tax when such sales are made to or purchases are made by a contractor for use in fulfillment of any obligation under a defense contract with the United States government, 28 29 and all sales and leases of tangible personal property by any county, city, incorporated town, or 30 village, provided such sale or lease is authorized under chapter 100, RSMo, and such transaction 31 is certified for sales tax exemption by the department of economic development, and tangible personal property used for railroad infrastructure brought into this state for processing, 32 33 fabrication, or other modification for use outside the state in the regular course of business, and 34 all tangible personal property, including tools, telecommunications equipment, power production and transmission machinery and equipment and data processing machinery 35 36 and equipment, and any other tools, materials, machinery, or equipment used or consumed 37 in an enhanced enterprise zone designated as such a zone for a certified site zone as defined 38 in subdivision (4) of section 135.950. 39 4. In addition to all other exemptions granted under this chapter, there is hereby

40 specifically exempted from the provisions of sections 144.010 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761, and section 238.235, RSMo, and the local sales tax law as defined in section 32.085, 41 42 RSMo, and from the computation of the tax levied, assessed, or payable under sections 144.010 43 to 144.525 and 144.600 to 144.761, and section 238.235, RSMo, and the local sales tax law as 44 defined in section 32.085, RSMo, all sales and purchases of tangible personal property, utilities, services, or any other transaction that would otherwise be subject to the state or local sales or use 45 tax when such sales are made to or purchases are made by a private partner for use in completing 46 47 a project under sections 227.600 to 227.669, RSMo.

144.810. 1. As used in this section, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, 2 the following terms shall mean:

3 (1) "Commencement of commercial operations", shall be deemed to occur during
4 the first calendar year for which the data storage center or server farm facility is first
5 available for use by the operating taxpayer, or first capable of being used by the operating
6 taxpayer, as a data storage center or server farm facility;

7 (2) "Constructing taxpayer", where more than one taxpayer is responsible for a
8 project, a taxpayer responsible for the purchase or construction of the facility, as opposed
9 to a taxpayer responsible for the equipping and ongoing operations of the facility;

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10 (3) "Data storage center" or "server farm facility" or "facility", a facility 11 purchased, constructed, extended, improved or operating under this section, provided that 12 such business facility is engaged in:

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(a) Data processing, hosting, and related services (NAICS 518210); or

(b) Internet publishing and broadcasting and web search portals (NAICS 519130),
 at the business facility;

(4) "Existing facility", a data storage center or server farm facility in this state as
 it existed prior to August 28, 2010, as determined by the department;

18 (5) "Expanding facility" or "expanding data storage center or server farm 19 facility", an existing facility or replacement facility that expands its operations in this state 20 on or after August 28, 2010, and has net new investment related to the expansion of 21 operations in this state of at least one million dollars during a period of up to twelve 22 consecutive months. An expanding facility shall continue to be an expanding facility 23 regardless of a subsequent change in or addition of operating taxpayers or constructing 24 taxpayers;

(6) "Expanding facility project" or "expanding data storage center or server farm
 facility project", the purchase, construction, extension, improvement equipping and
 operation of an expanding facility;

(7) "NAICS", the 2007 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 previous and subsequent federal industry
 classification systems;

33 (8) "New facility" or "new data storage center or server farm facility", a facility
34 in this state meeting the following requirements:

35 (a) The facility is acquired by, or leased to, an operating taxpayer on or after 36 August 28, 2010. A facility shall be deemed to have been acquired by, or leased to, an operating taxpayer on or after August 28, 2010, if the transfer of title to an operating 37 38 taxpayer, the transfer of possession pursuant to a binding contract to transfer title to an 39 operating taxpayer, or the commencement of the term of the lease to an operating taxpayer 40 occurs on or after August 28, 2010, or, if the facility is constructed, erected or installed by 41 or on behalf of an operating taxpayer, such construction, erection or installation is 42 commenced on or after August 28, 2010;

(b) If such facility was acquired by an operating taxpayer from another person or
 persons on or after August 28, 2010, and such facility was employed prior to August 28,

2010, by any other person or persons in the operation of a data storage center or server
farm facility, the facility shall not be considered a new facility;

47 (c) Such facility is not a replacement facility, as defined in subdivision (12) of this
48 section;

(d) The new facility project investment is at least five million dollars during a period of up to thirty-six consecutive months. Where more than one taxpayer is responsible for a project, the investment requirement may be met by an operating taxpayer, a constructing taxpayer or a combination of constructing taxpayers and operating taxpayers; and

(e) A new facility shall continue to be a new facility regardless of a subsequent
 change in or addition of operating taxpayers or constructing taxpayers;

56 (9) "New data storage center or server farm facility project" or "new facility 57 project", the purchase, construction, extension, improvement equipping and operation of 58 a new facility;

(10) "Operating taxpayer", where more than one taxpayer is responsible for a
 project, a taxpayer responsible for the equipping and ongoing operations of the facility, as
 opposed to a taxpayer responsible for the purchasing or construction of the facility;

(11) "Project taxpayers", each constructing taxpayer and each operating taxpayer
 for a data storage center or server farm facility project;

64 (12) "Replacement facility" or "replacement data storage center or server farm 65 facility", a facility in this state otherwise described in subdivision (8) of this section, but 66 which replaces another facility located within the state, which the taxpayer or a related 67 taxpayer previously operated but discontinued operating within one year prior to the 68 commencement of commercial operations at the new facility;

(13) "Taxpayer", the purchaser of tangible personal property or a service that is subject to state or local sales or use tax and from whom state or local sales or use tax is owed. Taxpayer shall not mean the seller charged by law with collecting the sales tax from the purchaser.

2. Beginning August 28, 2010, in addition to the exemptions granted under this
chapter, there shall also be specifically exempted from state and local sales and use taxes
defined, levied, or calculated under section 32.085, sections 144.010 to 144.525, sections
144.600 to 144.761, or section 238.235:

(1) All electrical energy, gas, water, and other utilities including telecommunication
 services used in a new data storage center or server farm facility;

79 (2) All machinery, equipment, and computers used in any new data storage center
 80 or server farm facility; and

(3) All sales at retail of tangible personal property and materials for the purpose
 of constructing, repairing, or remodeling any new data storage center or server farm
 facility.

84 3. Any data storage center and server farm facility project seeking a tax exemption 85 under subsection 2 of this section shall submit a project plan to the department of economic 86 development, including identifying each known constructing taxpayer and each known operating taxpayer for the project. The department of economic development shall 87 88 determine whether the project is eligible for the exemption under subsection 2 of this 89 section conditional upon subsequent verification by the department that the project meets 90 the requirement in paragraph (d) of subdivision (8) of subsection 1 of this section of at least 91 five million dollars of new facility investment over a time period not to exceed thirty-six 92 consecutive months. The department of economic development shall convey such 93 conditional approval to the department of revenue and the identified project taxpayers. 94 After a conditionally approved new facility project has met the investment amount, the project taxpayers shall provide proof of such investment to the department of economic 95 development. Upon verification of such proof, the department of economic development 96 97 shall certify the project to the department of revenue as being eligible for the exemption dating retroactively to the first day of the thirty-six month period or the first day of the 98 99 new investment in the event the investment is met in less than thirty-six months. The 100 department of revenue, upon receipt of adequate proof of the amount of sales taxes paid 101 since the first day of the thirty-six month period, or the first day of the new investment in 102 the event the investment is met in less than thirty-six months, shall issue a refund of sales taxes paid as set forth in this section to each operating taxpaver and each constructing 103 104 taxpayer and issue a certificate of exemption to each new project taxpayer for ongoing 105 exemptions under subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) of subsection 2 of this section.

4. Beginning August 28, 2010, in addition to the exemptions granted under this
chapter, there shall also be specifically exempted from state and local sales and use taxes
defined, levied, or calculated under section 32.085, sections 144.010 to 144.525, sections
109 144.600 to 144.761, or section 238.235:

(1) All electrical energy, gas, water, and other utilities including telecommunication services used in an expanding data storage center or server farm facility which, on an annual basis, exceeds the amount of electrical energy, gas, water, and other utilities including telecommunication services used in the existing facility or the replaced facility prior to the expansion. Amount shall be measured in kilowatt hours, gallons, cubic feet or other measures applicable to a utility service as opposed to in dollars, to account for increases in rates;

(2) All machinery, equipment, and computers used in any expanding data storage center or server farm facility, the cost of which, on an annual basis, exceeds the average of the previous three years' expenditures on machinery, equipment, and computers at the existing facility or the replaced facility prior to the expansion. Existing facilities or replaced facilities in existence for less than three years shall have the average expenditures calculated based upon the applicable time of existence; and

(3) All sales at retail of the tangible personal property and materials for the
 purpose of constructing, repairing, or remodeling any expanding data storage center or
 server farm facility.

126 5. Any data storage center and server farm facility project seeking a tax exemption 127 under subsection 4 of this section shall submit an expanding project plan to the department 128 of economic development, including identifying each known constructing taxpaver and 129 each known operating taxpayer for the project. The project applicants shall also provide 130 proof satisfactory to the department of economic development that the facility is an expanding facility and has net new investment related to the expansion of operations in this 131 132 state of at least one million dollars during a time period not to exceed twelve consecutive 133 months. Upon verification of such proof, the department of economic development shall certify the project to the department of revenue as being eligible for the exemption. The 134 department of revenue shall issue a certificate of exemption to each expanding project 135 136 taxpayer for ongoing exemptions under subdivisions (1), (2) and (3) of subsection 4 of this 137 section.

138 6. The sales tax exemptions in subsections 2 and 4 of this section shall be tied to the new or expanding facility project. A certificate of exemption in the hands of a taxpaver 139 140 that is no longer an operating or constructing taxpayer of the new or expanding facility 141 project shall be invalid as of the date the taxpayer was no longer an operating or 142 constructing taxpayer of the new or expanding facility project. New certificates of 143 exemption shall be issued to successor constructing taxpayers and operating taxpayers at such new or expanding facility projects. The right to the exemption by successor taxpayers 144 145 shall exist without regard to subsequent levels of investment in the new or expanding facility by successor taxpayers. 146

7. The department of economic development and the department of revenue shall
cooperate in conducting random audits to make certain the intent of this section is
followed.

150 8. The department of economic development and the department of revenue shall 151 jointly prescribe such rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this 152 section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is

153 created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it 154 complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, 155 section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers 156 vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective 157 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the 158 grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2010, 159 shall be invalid and void.

620.1881. 1. The department of economic development shall respond within thirty days to a company who provides a notice of intent with either an approval or a rejection of the notice 2 of intent. The department shall give preference to qualified companies and projects targeted at 3 an area of the state which has recently been classified as a disaster area by the federal 4 5 government. Failure to respond on behalf of the department of economic development shall 6 result in the notice of intent being deemed an approval for the purposes of this section. A 7 qualified company who is provided an approval for a project shall be allowed a benefit as provided in this program in the amount and duration provided in this section. A qualified 8 9 company may receive additional periods for subsequent new jobs at the same facility after the 10 full initial period if the minimum thresholds are met as set forth in sections 620.1875 to 620.1890. There is no limit on the number of periods a qualified company may participate in the 11 12 program, as long as the minimum thresholds are achieved and the qualified company provides 13 the department with the required reporting and is in proper compliance for this program or other 14 state programs. A qualified company may elect to file a notice of intent to start a new project period concurrent with an existing project period if the minimum thresholds are achieved and 15 16 the qualified company provides the department with the required reporting and is in proper 17 compliance for this program and other state programs; however, the qualified company may not receive any further benefit under the original approval for jobs created after the date of the new 18 19 notice of intent, and any jobs created before the new notice of intent may not be included as new 20 jobs for the purpose of benefit calculation in relation to the new approval. When a qualified 21 company has filed and received approval of a notice of intent and subsequently files another 22 notice of intent, the department shall apply the definition of project facility under subdivision 23 (19) of section 620.1878 to the new notice of intent as well as all previously approved notices 24 of intent and shall determine the application of the definitions of new job, new payroll, project 25 facility base employment, and project facility base payroll accordingly.

Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any qualified company that is
 awarded benefits under this program may not simultaneously receive tax credits or exemptions
 under sections 135.100 to 135.150, sections 135.200 to 135.286, section 135.535, or sections
 135.900 to 135.906, RSMo, at the same project facility. The benefits available to the company

30 under any other state programs for which the company is eligible and which utilize withholding 31 tax from the new jobs of the company must first be credited to the other state program before the 32 withholding retention level applicable under the Missouri quality jobs act will begin to accrue. 33 These other state programs include, but are not limited to, the new jobs training program under 34 sections 178.892 to 178.896, RSMo, the job retention program under sections 178.760 to 35 178.764, RSMo, the real property tax increment allocation redevelopment act, sections 99.800 36 to 99.865, RSMo, or the Missouri downtown and rural economic stimulus act under sections 37 99.915 to 99.980, RSMo. If any qualified company also participates in the new jobs training 38 program in sections 178.892 to 178.896, RSMo, the company shall retain no withholding tax, 39 but the department shall issue a refundable tax credit for the full amount of benefit allowed under 40 this subdivision. The calendar year annual maximum amount of tax credits which may be issued 41 to a qualifying company that also participates in the new job training program shall be increased 42 by an amount equivalent to the withholding tax retained by that company under the new jobs 43 training program. However, if the combined benefits of the quality jobs program and the new jobs training program exceed the projected state benefit of the project, as determined by the 44 45 department of economic development through a cost-benefit analysis, the increase in the 46 maximum tax credits shall be limited to the amount that would not cause the combined benefits to exceed the projected state benefit. Any taxpayer who is awarded benefits under this program 47 48 who knowingly hires individuals who are not allowed to work legally in the United States shall 49 immediately forfeit such benefits and shall repay the state an amount equal to any state tax 50 credits already redeemed and any withholding taxes already retained.

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3. The types of projects and the amount of benefits to be provided are:

52 (1) Small and expanding business projects: in exchange for the consideration provided 53 by the new tax revenues and other economic stimuli that will be generated by the new jobs 54 created by the program, a qualified company may retain an amount equal to the withholding tax 55 as calculated under subdivision (33) of section 620.1878 from the new jobs that would otherwise 56 be withheld and remitted by the qualified company under the provisions of sections 143.191 to 57 143.265, RSMo, for a period of three years from the date the required number of new jobs were 58 created if the average wage of the new payroll equals or exceeds the county average wage or for 59 a period of five years from the date the required number of new jobs were created if the average 60 wage of the new payroll equals or exceeds one hundred twenty percent of the county average 61 wage;

62 (2) Technology business projects: in exchange for the consideration provided by the new 63 tax revenues and other economic stimuli that will be generated by the new jobs created by the 64 program, a qualified company may retain an amount equal to a maximum of five percent of new 65 payroll for a period of five years from the date the required number of jobs were created from

the withholding tax of the new jobs that would otherwise be withheld and remitted by the 66 67 qualified company under the provisions of sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, if the average 68 wage of the new payroll equals or exceeds the county average wage. An additional one-half 69 percent of new payroll may be added to the five percent maximum if the average wage of the 70 new payroll in any year exceeds one hundred twenty percent of the county average wage in the 71 county in which the project facility is located, plus an additional one-half percent of new payroll 72 may be added if the average wage of the new payroll in any year exceeds one hundred forty 73 percent of the average wage in the county in which the project facility is located. The department 74 shall issue a refundable tax credit for any difference between the amount of benefit allowed 75 under this subdivision and the amount of withholding tax retained by the company, in the event 76 the withholding tax is not sufficient to provide the entire amount of benefit due to the qualified 77 company under this subdivision;

78 (3) High impact projects: in exchange for the consideration provided by the new tax 79 revenues and other economic stimuli that will be generated by the new jobs created by the 80 program, a qualified company may retain an amount from the withholding tax of the new jobs 81 that would otherwise be withheld and remitted by the qualified company under the provisions 82 of sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, equal to three percent of new payroll for a period of five 83 years from the date the required number of jobs were created if the average wage of the new 84 payroll equals or exceeds the county average wage of the county in which the project facility is 85 located. For high-impact projects in a facility located within two adjacent counties, the new 86 payroll shall equal or exceed the higher county average wage of the adjacent counties. The 87 percentage of payroll allowed under this subdivision shall be three and one-half percent of new 88 payroll if the average wage of the new payroll in any year exceeds one hundred twenty percent 89 of the county average wage in the county in which the project facility is located. The percentage 90 of payroll allowed under this subdivision shall be four percent of new payroll if the average wage 91 of the new payroll in any year exceeds one hundred forty percent of the county average wage in 92 the county in which the project facility is located. An additional one percent of new payroll may 93 be added to these percentages if local incentives equal between ten percent and twenty-four 94 percent of the new direct local revenue; an additional two percent of new payroll is added to 95 these percentages if the local incentives equal between twenty-five percent and forty-nine percent 96 of the new direct local revenue; or an additional three percent of payroll is added to these 97 percentages if the local incentives equal fifty percent or more of the new direct local revenue. 98 The department shall issue a refundable tax credit for any difference between the amount of 99 benefit allowed under this subdivision and the amount of withholding tax retained by the 100 company, in the event the withholding tax is not sufficient to provide the entire amount of benefit 101 due to the qualified company under this subdivision;

(4) Job retention projects: a qualified company may receive a tax credit for the retention
 of jobs in this state, provided the qualified company and the project meets all of the following
 conditions:

(a) For each of the twenty-four months preceding the year in which application for the
program is made the qualified company must have maintained at least one thousand full-time
employees at the employer's site in the state at which the jobs are based, and the average wage
of such employees must meet or exceed the county average wage;

(b) The qualified company retained at the project facility the level of full-time employees
that existed in the taxable year immediately preceding the year in which application for the
program is made;

(c) The qualified company is considered to have a significant statewide effect on the economy, and has been determined to represent a substantial risk of relocation from the state by the quality jobs advisory task force established in section 620.1887; provided, however, until such time as the initial at-large members of the quality jobs advisory task force are appointed, this determination shall be made by the director of the department of economic development;

(d) The qualified company in the project facility will cause to be invested a minimum of seventy million dollars in new investment prior to the end of two years or will cause to be invested a minimum of thirty million dollars in new investment prior to the end of two years and maintain an annual payroll of at least seventy million dollars during each of the years for which a credit is claimed; and

122 (e) The local taxing entities shall provide local incentives of at least fifty percent of the 123 new direct local revenues created by the project over a ten-year period. The quality jobs advisory 124 task force may recommend to the department of economic development that appropriate 125 penalties be applied to the company for violating the agreement. The amount of the job retention 126 credit granted may be equal to up to fifty percent of the amount of withholding tax generated by the full-time jobs at the project facility for a period of five years. The calendar year annual 127 128 maximum amount of tax credit that may be issued to any qualified company for a job retention 129 project or combination of job retention projects shall be seven hundred fifty thousand dollars per 130 year, but the maximum amount may be increased up to one million dollars if such action is 131 proposed by the department and approved by the quality jobs advisory task force established in 132 section 620.1887; provided, however, until such time as the initial at-large members of the 133 quality jobs advisory task force are appointed, this determination shall be made by the director 134 of the department of economic development. In considering such a request, the task force shall 135 rely on economic modeling and other information supplied by the department when requesting 136 the increased limit on behalf of the job retention project. In no event shall the total amount of 137 all tax credits issued for the entire job retention program under this subdivision exceed three

million dollars annually. Notwithstanding the above, no tax credits shall be issued for jobretention projects approved by the department after August 30, 2013;

(5) Small business job retention and flood survivor relief: a qualified company may
receive a tax credit under sections 620.1875 to 620.1890 for the retention of jobs and flood
survivor relief in this state for each job retained over a three-year period, provided that:

(a) The qualified company did not receive any state or federal benefits, incentives, or tax
relief or abatement in locating its facility in a flood plain;

(b) The qualified company and related companies have fewer than one hundredemployees at the time application for the program is made;

147 (c) The average wage of the qualified company's and related companies' employees must148 meet or exceed the county average wage;

(d) All of the qualified company's and related companies' facilities are located in thisstate;

(e) The facilities at the primary business site in this state have been directly damaged by
floodwater rising above the level of a five hundred year flood at least two years, but fewer than
eight years, prior to the time application is made;

(f) The qualified company made significant efforts to protect the facilities prior to anyimpending danger from rising floodwaters;

(g) For each year it receives tax credits under sections 620.1875 to 620.1890, the qualified company and related companies retained, at the company's facilities in this state, at least the level of full-time, year-round employees that existed in the taxable year immediately preceding the year in which application for the program is made; and

160 (h) In the years it receives tax credits under sections 620.1875 to 620.1890, the company 161 cumulatively invests at least two million dollars in capital improvements in facilities and 162 equipment located at such facilities that are not located within a five hundred year flood plain 163 as designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and amended from time to time. 164 The amount of the small business job retention and flood survivor relief credit granted may be 165 equal to up to one hundred percent of the amount of withholding tax generated by the full-time 166 jobs at the project facility for a period of three years. The calendar year annual maximum 167 amount of tax credit that may be issued to any qualified company for a small business job 168 retention and survivor relief project shall be two hundred fifty thousand dollars per year, but the 169 maximum amount may be increased up to five hundred thousand dollars if such action is 170 proposed by the department and approved by the quality jobs advisory task force established in 171 section 620.1887. In considering such a request, the task force shall rely on economic modeling 172 and other information supplied by the department when requesting an increase in the limit on 173 behalf of the small business job retention and flood survivor relief project. In no event shall the

total amount of all tax credits issued for the entire small business job retention and flood survivor
relief program under this subdivision exceed five hundred thousand dollars annually.
Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision to the contrary, no tax credits shall be issued
for small business job retention and flood survivor relief projects approved by the department
after August 30, 2010.

179 4. The qualified company shall provide an annual report of the number of jobs and such 180 other information as may be required by the department to document the basis for the benefits 181 of this program. The department may withhold the approval of any benefits until it is satisfied 182 that proper documentation has been provided, and shall reduce the benefits to reflect any 183 reduction in full-time employees or new payroll. Upon approval by the department, the qualified 184 company may begin the retention of the withholding taxes when it reaches the minimum number 185 of new jobs and the average wage exceeds the county average wage. Tax credits, if any, may be 186 issued upon satisfaction by the department that the qualified company has exceeded the county 187 average wage and the minimum number of new jobs. In such annual report, if the average wage 188 is below the county average wage, the qualified company has not maintained the employee 189 insurance as required, or if the number of new jobs is below the minimum, the qualified 190 company shall not receive tax credits or retain the withholding tax for the balance of the benefit 191 period. In the case of a qualified company that initially filed a notice of intent and received an 192 approval from the department for high- impact benefits and the minimum number of new jobs 193 in an annual report is below the minimum for high-impact projects, the company shall not 194 receive tax credits for the balance of the benefit period but may continue to retain the 195 withholding taxes if it otherwise meets the requirements of a small and expanding business under 196 this program.

197 5. The maximum calendar year annual tax credits issued for the entire program shall not 198 exceed eighty million dollars, except as provided in this subsection. Beginning January 1, 199 2012, fifteen million dollars of such eighty million dollars shall be used for retaining 200 withholding tax by all qualified manufacturing companies under section 620.1910. 201 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the maximum annual tax credits 202 authorized under section 135.535, RSMo, are hereby reduced from ten million dollars to eight 203 million dollars, with the balance of two million dollars transferred to this program. There shall 204 be no limit on the amount of withholding taxes that may be retained by approved companies 205 under this program.

6. The department shall allocate the annual tax credits based on the date of the approval, reserving such tax credits based on the department's best estimate of new jobs and new payroll of the project, and the other factors in the determination of benefits of this program. However, the annual issuance of tax credits is subject to the annual verification of the actual new payroll.

210 The allocation of tax credits for the period assigned to a project shall expire if, within two years 211 from the date of commencement of operations, or approval if applicable, the minimum 212 thresholds have not been achieved. The qualified company may retain authorized amounts from 213 the withholding tax under this section once the minimum new jobs thresholds are met for the 214 duration of the project period. No benefits shall be provided under this program until the 215 qualified company meets the minimum new jobs thresholds. In the event the qualified company 216 does not meet the minimum new job threshold, the qualified company may submit a new notice 217 of intent or the department may provide a new approval for a new project of the qualified 218 company at the project facility or other facilities.

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

8. Tax credits may be claimed against taxes otherwise imposed by chapters 143 and 148, RSMo, and may not be carried forward but shall be claimed within one year of the close of the taxable year for which they were issued, except as provided under subdivision (4) of subsection 3 of this section.

9. Tax credits authorized by this section may be transferred, sold, or assigned by filing a notarized endorsement thereof with the department that names the transferee, the amount of tax credit transferred, and the value received for the credit, as well as any other information reasonably requested by the department.

230 10. Prior to the issuance of tax credits, the department shall verify through the 231 department of revenue, or any other state department, that the tax credit applicant does not owe 232 any delinquent income, sales, or use tax or interest or penalties on such taxes, or any delinquent 233 fees or assessments levied by any state department and through the department of insurance, 234 financial institutions and professional registration that the applicant does not owe any delinquent 235 insurance taxes. Such delinquency shall not affect the authorization of the application for such 236 tax credits, except that at issuance credits shall be first applied to the delinquency and any 237 amount issued shall be reduced by the applicant's tax delinquency. If the department of revenue 238 or the department of insurance, financial institutions and professional registration, or any other 239 state department, concludes that a taxpayer is delinquent after June fifteenth but before July first 240 of any year and the application of tax credits to such delinquency causes a tax deficiency on 241 behalf of the taxpayer to arise, then the taxpayer shall be granted thirty days to satisfy the 242 deficiency in which interest, penalties, and additions to tax shall be tolled. After applying all 243 available credits toward a tax delinquency, the administering agency shall notify the appropriate 244 department and that department shall update the amount of outstanding delinquent tax owed by 245 the applicant. If any credits remain after satisfying all insurance, income, sales, and use tax

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delinquencies, the remaining credits shall be issued to the applicant, subject to the restrictionsof other provisions of law.

11. Except as provided under subdivision (4) of subsection 3 of this section, the director
of revenue shall issue a refund to the qualified company to the extent that the amount of credits
allowed in this section exceeds the amount of the qualified company's income tax.

12. An employee of a qualified company will receive full credit for the amount of taxwithheld as provided in section 143.211, RSMo.

13. If any provision of sections 620.1875 to 620.1890 or application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or application of these sections which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end, the provisions of sections 620.1875 to 620.1890 are hereby declared severable.

620.1910. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Manufacturing 2 Jobs Act".

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

4 (1) "Approval", a document submitted by the department to the qualified 5 manufacturing company or qualified supplier that states the benefits that may be provided 6 under this section;

7 (2) "Capital investment", expenditures made by a qualified manufacturing 8 company to retool or reconfigure a manufacturing facility directly related to the 9 manufacturing of a new product or the expansion or modification of the manufacture of 10 an existing product;

(3) "County average wage", the same meaning as such term is defined in section
620.1878;

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(4) "Department", the department of economic development;

(5) "Facility", a building or buildings located in Missouri at which the qualified
 manufacturing company manufactures a product;

(6) "Full-time job", a job for which a person is compensated for an average of at
 least thirty-five hours per week for a twelve-month period, and one for which the qualified
 manufacturing company or qualified supplier offers health insurance and pays at least fifty
 percent of such insurance premiums;

(7) "NAICS industry classification", the most recent edition of the North American
 Industry Classification System as prepared by the Executive Office of the President, Office
 of Management and Budget;

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(8) "New job", the same meaning as such term is defined in section 620.1878;

(9) "New product", a new model or line of a manufactured good that has not been manufactured in Missouri by the qualified manufacturing company at any time prior to the date of the notice of intent, or an existing brand, model, or line of a manufactured good that is redesigned with more than seventy-five percent new exterior body parts and incorporates new powertrain options;

(10) "Notice of intent", a form developed by the department, completed by the qualified manufacturing company or qualified supplier and submitted to the department which states the qualified manufacturing company's or qualified supplier's intent to create new jobs or retain current jobs and make additional capital investment, as applicable, and request benefits under this section. The notice of intent shall specify the minimum number of such new or retained jobs and the minimum amount of such capital investment;

(11) "Qualified manufacturing company", a business with a NAICS code of 336
 that:

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(a) Manufactures goods at a facility in Missouri;

(b) In the case of the manufacture of a new product, commits to make a capital investment of at least seventy-five thousand dollars per retained job within no more than two years of the date the qualified manufacturing company begins to retain withholding tax under this section, or in the case of the modification or expansion of the manufacture of an existing product, commits to make a capital investment of at least fifty thousand dollars per retained job within no more than two years of the date the qualified manufacturing company begins to retain withholding tax under this section;

(c) Manufactures a new product or has commenced making capital improvements
to the facility necessary for the manufacturing of such new product, or modifies or expands
the manufacture of an existing product or has commenced making capital improvements
to the facility necessary for the modification or expansion of the manufacture of such
existing product; and

(d) Continues to meet the requirements of paragraphs (a) to (c) of this subdivision
for the withholding period;

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(12) "Qualified supplier", a manufacturing company that:

(a) Attests to the department that it derives more than ten percent of the total
 annual sales of the company from sales to a qualified manufacturing company;

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(b) Adds five or more new jobs;

(c) Has an average wage, as defined in section 135.950, for such new jobs that are equal to or exceed the lower of the county average wage for Missouri as determined by the department using NAICS industry classifications, but not lower than sixty percent of the statewide average wage; and

(d) Provides health insurance to employees and pays at least fifty percent of the
 premiums of such insurance;

(13) "Retained job", the number of full-time jobs of persons employed by the
qualified manufacturing company located at the facility that existed as of the last working
day of the month immediately preceding the month in which notice of intent is submitted;

(14) "Statewide average wage", an amount equal to the quotient of the sum of the total gross wages paid for the corresponding four calendar quarters divided by the average annual employment for such four calendar quarters, which shall be computed using the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Data for All Private Ownership Businesses in Missouri, as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor;

(15) "Withholding period", the seven- or ten-year period in which a qualified
 manufacturing company may receive benefits under this section;

(16) "Withholding tax", the same meaning as such term is defined in section
620.1878.

75 **3.** The department shall respond within thirty days to a qualified manufacturing 76 company or a qualified supplier who provides a notice of intent with either an approval 77 or a rejection of the notice of intent. Failure to respond on behalf of the department shall 78 result in the notice of intent being deemed an approval for the purposes of this section.

79 4. A qualified manufacturing company that manufactures a new product may, 80 upon the department's approval of a notice of intent and the execution of an agreement that meets the requirements of subsection 9 of this section, but no earlier than January 1, 81 82 2012, retain one hundred percent of the withholding tax from full-time jobs at the facility 83 for a period of ten years. A qualified manufacturing company that modifies or expands the manufacture of an existing product may, upon the department's approval of a notice 84 85 of intent and the execution of an agreement that meets the requirements of subsection 9 of 86 this section, but no earlier than January 1, 2012, retain fifty percent of the withholding tax from full-time jobs at the facility for a period of seven years. Except as otherwise allowed 87 88 under subsection 7 of this section, the commencement of the withholding period may be 89 delayed by no more than twenty-four months after execution of the agreement at the option 90 of the qualified manufacturing company. Such qualified manufacturing company shall be 91 eligible for participation in the Missouri quality jobs program in sections 620.1875 to 92 620.1890 for any new jobs for which it does not retain withholding tax under this section, 93 provided all qualifications for such program are met.

5. A qualified supplier may, upon approval of a notice of intent by the department,
retain all withholding tax from new jobs for a period of three years from the date of

96 approval of the notice of intent or for a period of five years if the supplier pays wages for

97 the new jobs equal to or greater than one hundred twenty percent of county average wage. 98 Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a qualified supplier that is 99 awarded benefits under this section shall not receive any tax credit or exemption or be 100 entitled to retain withholding under sections 100.700 to 100.850, sections 135.100 to 101 135.150, sections 135.200 to 135.286, section 135.535, sections 135.900 to 135.906, sections 102 135.950 to 135.970, or section 620.1881 for the same jobs.

6. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the maximum amount of withholding tax that may be retained by any one qualified manufacturing company under this section shall not exceed ten million dollars per calendar year. The aggregate amount of withholding tax that may be retained by all qualified manufacturing companies under this section shall not exceed fifteen million dollars per calendar year.

108 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any qualified 109 manufacturing company that is awarded benefits under this section shall not simultaneously receive tax credits or exemptions under sections 100.700 to 100.850, sections 110 111 135.100 to 135.150, sections 135.200 to 135.286, section 135.535, or sections 135.900 to 112 135.906 for the jobs created or retained or capital improvement which qualified for benefits under this section. The benefits available to the qualified manufacturing company 113 114 under any other state programs for which the qualified manufacturing company is eligible 115 and which utilize withholding tax from the jobs at the facility shall first be credited to the other state program before the applicable withholding period for benefits provided under 116 this section shall begin. These other state programs include, but are not limited to, the new 117 jobs training program under sections 178.892 to 178.896, the job retention program under 118 119 sections 178.760 to 178.764, the real property tax increment allocation redevelopment act under sections 99.800 to 99.865, or the Missouri downtown and rural economic stimulus 120 act under sections 99.915 to 99.980. If any qualified manufacturing company also 121 122 participates in the new jobs training program in sections 178.892 to 178.896, such qualified manufacturing company shall not retain any withholding tax that has already been 123 allocated for use in the new jobs training program. Any taxpayer who is awarded benefits 124 under this program who knowingly hires individuals who are not allowed to work legally 125 126 in the United States shall immediately forfeit such benefits and shall repay the state an 127 amount equal to any withholding taxes already retained. Subsection 5 of section 285.530 128 shall not apply to taxpayers awarded benefits under this program.

8. The department may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, 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 and, if applicable, 132 133 section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers 134 vested with the general assembly under chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant 135 136 of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after the effective date of this 137 section shall be invalid and void.

138 9. Within six months of completion of a notice of intent required under this section, 139 the qualified manufacturing company shall enter into an agreement with the department 140 that memorializes the content of the notice of intent, the requirements of this section, and 141 the consequences for failing to meet such requirements, which shall include the following:

142 (1) If the amount of capital investment made by the qualified manufacturing 143 company is not made within the two-year period provided for such investment, the 144 qualified manufacturing company shall immediately cease retaining any withholding tax 145 with respect to jobs at the facility and it shall forfeit all rights to retain withholding tax for the remainder of the withholding period. In addition, the qualified manufacturing 146 company shall repay any amounts of withholding tax retained plus interest of five percent 147 per annum. However, in the event that such capital investment shortfall is due to economic 148 conditions beyond the control of the qualified manufacturing company, the director may, 149 150 at the qualified manufacturing company's request, suspend rather than terminate its 151 privilege to retain withholding tax under this section for up to three years. Any such 152 suspension shall extend the withholding period by the same amount of time. No more than one such suspension shall be granted to a qualified manufacturing company; 153

154 (2) If the qualified manufacturing company discontinues the manufacturing of the new product and does not replace it with a subsequent or additional new product 155 manufactured at the facility at any time during the withholding period, the qualified 156 157 manufacturing company shall immediately cease retaining any withholding tax with 158 respect to jobs at that facility and it shall forfeit all rights to retain withholding tax for the 159 remainder of the withholding period.

160 **10.** Prior to March first each year, the department shall provide a report to the 161 general assembly including the names of participating qualified manufacturing companies 162 or qualified suppliers, location of such companies or suppliers, the annual amount of 163 benefits provided, the estimated net state fiscal impact including direct and indirect new 164 state taxes derived, and the number of new jobs created or jobs retained. 165

11. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:

166 The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall (1) automatically sunset six years after the effective date of this section unless reauthorized by 167 an act of the general assembly; and 168

169 (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section 170 shall automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section: and 171

172 (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately 173 following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset.

> [135.953. 1. For purposes of sections 135.950 to 135.970, an area shall meet the following criteria in order to qualify as an enhanced enterprise zone:

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The area shall be a blighted area, have pervasive poverty, (1)unemployment and general distress; and

5 (2) At least sixty percent of the residents living in the area have incomes below ninety percent of the median income of all residents: 6

7 (a) Within the state of Missouri, according to the [last decennial census] 8 United States Census Bureau's American Community Survey, based on the 9 most recent of five-year period estimate data in which the final year of the estimate ends in either zero or five or other appropriate source as approved by 10 the director: or 11

12 (b) Within the county or city not within a county in which the area is 13 located, according to the last decennial census or other appropriate source as 14 approved by the director; and

(3) The resident population of the area shall be at least five hundred but 15 not more than one hundred thousand at the time of designation as an enhanced 16 enterprise zone if the area lies within a metropolitan statistical area, as 17 established by the United States Census Bureau, or if the area does not lie within 18 19 a metropolitan statistical area, the resident population of the area at the time of 20 designation shall be at least five hundred but not more than forty thousand 21 inhabitants. If the population of the jurisdiction of the governing authority does not meet the minimum population requirements set forth in this subdivision, the 22 23 population of the area must be at least fifty percent of the population of the jurisdiction. However, no enhanced enterprise zone shall be created which 24 25 consists of the total area within the political boundaries of a county; and

(4) The level of unemployment of persons, according to the most recent 26 data available from the United States Bureau of Census and approved by the 27 director, within the area is equal to or exceeds the average rate of unemployment 28 29 for:

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(a) The state of Missouri over the previous twelve months; or

(b) The county or city not within a county over the previous twelve 31 32 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 35

the governor pursuant to Section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief 36 37 and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq., for an emergency 38 proclaimed by the governor pursuant to section 44.100, RSMo, due to a natural 39 disaster of major proportions, if the area to be designated is blighted and 40 sustained severe damage as a result of such natural disaster, as determined by the 41 state emergency management agency. An application for designation as an 42 enhanced enterprise zone pursuant to this subsection shall be made before the expiration of one year from the date the governor requested federal relief for the 43 44 area sought to be designated.

45 3. Notwithstanding the requirements of subsection 1 of this section to the 46 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 47 48 (4) of subsection 1 of this section. For the purposes of this subsection, a "county 49 of declining population" is one that has lost one percent or more of its population 50 as demonstrated by comparing the most recent decennial census population to the 51 next most recent decennial census population for the county. 52

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, shall be demonstrated by the governing authority to have either:

(1) The potential to create sustainable jobs in a targeted industry; or

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(2) A demonstrated impact on local industry cluster development.]

[137.115. 1. All other laws to the contrary notwithstanding, the assessor 2 or the assessor's deputies in all counties of this state including the city of St. 3 Louis shall annually make a list of all real and tangible personal property taxable 4 in the assessor's city, county, town or district. Except as otherwise provided in 5 subsection 3 of this section and section 137.078, the assessor shall annually 6 assess all personal property at thirty-three and one-third percent of its true value 7 in money as of January first of each calendar year. The assessor shall annually 8 assess all real property, including any new construction and improvements to real 9 property, and possessory interests in real property at the percent of its true value 10 in money set in subsection 5 of this section. The true value in money of any possessory interest in real property in subclass (3), where such real property is on 11 or lies within the ultimate airport boundary as shown by a federal airport layout 12 plan, as defined by 14 CFR 151.5, of a commercial airport having a FAR Part 13 14 139 certification and owned by a political subdivision, shall be the otherwise applicable true value in money of any such possessory interest in real property, 15 16 less the total dollar amount of costs paid by a party, other than the political 17 subdivision, towards any new construction or improvements on such real 18 property completed after January 1, 2008, and which are included in the 19 above-mentioned possessory interest, regardless of the year in which such costs 20 were incurred or whether such costs were considered in any prior year. The 21 assessor shall annually assess all real property in the following manner: new 22 assessed values shall be determined as of January first of each odd-numbered 23 vear and shall be entered in the assessor's books; those same assessed values shall 24 apply in the following even-numbered year, except for new construction and 25 property improvements which shall be valued as though they had been completed as of January first of the preceding odd-numbered year. The assessor may call 26 27 at the office, place of doing business, or residence of each person required by this 28 chapter to list property, and require the person to make a correct statement of all 29 taxable tangible personal property owned by the person or under his or her care, 30 charge or management, taxable in the county. On or before January first of each 31 even-numbered year, the assessor shall prepare and submit a two-year assessment 32 maintenance plan to the county governing body and the state tax commission for 33 their respective approval or modification. The county governing body shall 34 approve and forward such plan or its alternative to the plan to the state tax commission by February first. If the county governing body fails to forward the 35 36 plan or its alternative to the plan to the state tax commission by February first, the 37 assessor's plan shall be considered approved by the county governing body. If the 38 state tax commission fails to approve a plan and if the state tax commission and 39 the assessor and the governing body of the county involved are unable to resolve 40 the differences, in order to receive state cost-share funds outlined in section 41 137.750, the county or the assessor shall petition the administrative hearing commission, by May first, to decide all matters in dispute regarding the 42 43 assessment maintenance plan. Upon agreement of the parties, the matter may be 44 stayed while the parties proceed with mediation or arbitration upon terms agreed 45 to by the parties. The final decision of the administrative hearing commission shall be subject to judicial review in the circuit court of the county involved. In 46 47 the event a valuation of subclass (1) real property within any county with a 48 charter form of government, or within a city not within a county, is made by a computer, computer-assisted method or a computer program, the burden of proof, 49 supported by clear, convincing and cogent evidence to sustain such valuation, 50 shall be on the assessor at any hearing or appeal. In any such county, unless the 51 52 assessor proves otherwise, there shall be a presumption that the assessment was 53 made by a computer, computer-assisted method or a computer program. Such 54 evidence shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

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(1) The findings of the assessor based on an appraisal of the property by generally accepted appraisal techniques; and

(2) The purchase prices from sales of at least three comparable properties and the address or location thereof. As used in this subdivision, the word "comparable" means that:

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(a) Such sale was closed at a date relevant to the property valuation; and

(b) Such properties are not more than one mile from the site of the
disputed property, except where no similar properties exist within one mile of the
disputed property, the nearest comparable property shall be used. Such property

shall be within five hundred square feet in size of the disputed property, and
resemble the disputed property in age, floor plan, number of rooms, and other
relevant characteristics.

67 2. Assessors in each county of this state and the city of St. Louis may
68 send personal property assessment forms through the mail.

3. The following items of personal property shall each constitute separate
subclasses of tangible personal property and shall be assessed and valued for the
purposes of taxation at the following percentages of their true value in money:

(1) Grain and other agricultural crops in an unmanufactured condition,one-half of one percent;

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(3) Farm machinery, twelve percent;

(4) Motor vehicles which are eligible for registration as and are registered
as historic motor vehicles pursuant to section 301.131, RSMo, and aircraft which
are at least twenty-five years old and which are used solely for noncommercial
purposes and are operated less than fifty hours per year or aircraft that are home
built from a kit, five percent;

(5) Poultry, twelve percent; and

(2) Livestock, twelve percent;

(6) Tools and equipment used for pollution control and tools and
equipment used in retooling for the purpose of introducing new product lines or
used for making improvements to existing products by any company which is
located in a state enterprise zone and which is identified by any standard
industrial classification number cited in subdivision (6) of section 135.200,
RSMo, twenty-five percent.

4. The person listing the property shall enter a true and correct statement
of the property, in a printed blank prepared for that purpose. The statement, after
being filled out, shall be signed and either affirmed or sworn to as provided in
section 137.155. The list shall then be delivered to the assessor.

5. All subclasses of real property, as such subclasses are established in
section 4(b) of article X of the Missouri Constitution and defined in section
137.016, shall be assessed at the following percentages of true value:

(1) For real property in subclass (1), nineteen percent;

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(2) For real property in subclass (2), twelve percent; and(3) For real property in subclass (3), thirty-two percent.

(5) For real property in subclass (5), unity-two percent.

6. Manufactured homes, as defined in section 700.010, RSMo, which are 98 99 actually used as dwelling units shall be assessed at the same percentage of true 100 value as residential real property for the purpose of taxation. The percentage of 101 assessment of true value for such manufactured homes shall be the same as for 102 residential real property. If the county collector cannot identify or find the manufactured home when attempting to attach the manufactured home for 103 104 payment of taxes owed by the manufactured home owner, the county collector 105 may request the county commission to have the manufactured home removed 106 from the tax books, and such request shall be granted within thirty days after the request is made; however, the removal from the tax books does not remove the tax lien on the manufactured home if it is later identified or found. For purposes of this section, a manufactured home located in a manufactured home rental park, rental community or on real estate not owned by the manufactured home owner shall be considered personal property. For purposes of this section, a manufactured home located on real estate owned by the manufactured home owner may be considered real property.

1147. Each manufactured home assessed shall be considered a parcel for the115purpose of reimbursement pursuant to section 137.750, unless the manufactured116home [has been converted to] is real [property in compliance with section117700.111, RSMo] estate as defined in subsection 7 of section 442.015 and118assessed as a realty improvement to the existing real estate parcel.

119 8. Any amount of tax due and owing based on the assessment of a 120 manufactured home shall be included on the personal property tax statement of the manufactured home owner unless the manufactured home [has been 121 122 converted to] is real [property in compliance with section 700.111, RSMo] estate as defined in subsection 7 of section 442.015, in which case the amount of tax 123 124 due and owing on the assessment of the manufactured home as a realty 125 improvement to the existing real estate parcel shall be included on the real 126 property tax statement of the real estate owner.

127 9. The assessor of each county and each city not within a county shall use 128 the trade-in value published in the October issue of the National Automobile 129 Dealers' Association Official Used Car Guide, or its successor publication, as the 130 recommended guide of information for determining the true value of motor 131 vehicles described in such publication. In the absence of a listing for a particular 132 motor vehicle in such publication, the assessor shall use such information or publications which in the assessor's judgment will fairly estimate the true value 133 in money of the motor vehicle. 134

13510. Before the assessor may increase the assessed valuation of any parcel136of subclass (1) real property by more than fifteen percent since the last137assessment, excluding increases due to new construction or improvements, the138assessor shall conduct a physical inspection of such property.

139 11. If a physical inspection is required, pursuant to subsection 10 of this
140 section, the assessor shall notify the property owner of that fact in writing and
141 shall provide the owner clear written notice of the owner's rights relating to the
142 physical inspection. If a physical inspection is required, the property owner may
143 request that an interior inspection be performed during the physical inspection.
144 The owner shall have no less than thirty days to notify the assessor of a request
145 for an interior physical inspection.

146 12. A physical inspection, as required by subsection 10 of this section,
147 shall include, but not be limited to, an on-site personal observation and review
148 of all exterior portions of the land and any buildings and improvements to which
149 the inspector has or may reasonably and lawfully gain external access, and shall

include an observation and review of the interior of any buildings or
improvements on the property upon the timely request of the owner pursuant to
subsection 11 of this section. Mere observation of the property via a drive-by
inspection or the like shall not be considered sufficient to constitute a physical
inspection as required by this section.

155 13. The provisions of subsections 11 and 12 of this section shall only 156 apply in any county with a charter form of government with more than one 157 million inhabitants.

158 14. A county or city collector may accept credit cards as proper form of 159 payment of outstanding property tax or license due. No county or city collector 160 may charge surcharge for payment by credit card which exceeds the fee or surcharge charged by the credit card bank, processor, or issuer for its service. A 161 county or city collector may accept payment by electronic transfers of funds in 162 payment of any tax or license and charge the person making such payment a fee 163 equal to the fee charged the county by the bank, processor, or issuer of such 164 165 electronic payment.

15. Any county or city not within a county in this state may, by an 166 affirmative vote of the governing body of such county, opt out of the provisions 167 168 of this section and sections 137.073, 138.060, and 138.100, RSMo, as enacted by house bill no. 1150 of the ninety-first general assembly, second regular session 169 and section 137.073 as modified by house committee substitute for senate 170 substitute for senate committee substitute for senate bill no. 960, ninety-second 171 general assembly, second regular session, for the next year of the general 172 reassessment, prior to January first of any year. No county or city not within a 173 174 county shall exercise this opt-out provision after implementing the provisions of this section and sections 137.073, 138.060, and 138.100, RSMo, as enacted by 175 176 house bill no. 1150 of the ninety-first general assembly, second regular session 177 and section 137.073 as modified by house committee substitute for senate substitute for senate committee substitute for senate bill no. 960, ninety-second 178 179 general assembly, second regular session, in a year of general reassessment. For the purposes of applying the provisions of this subsection, a political subdivision 180 181 contained within two or more counties where at least one of such counties has 182 opted out and at least one of such counties has not opted out shall calculate a 183 single tax rate as in effect prior to the enactment of house bill no. 1150 of the 184 ninety-first general assembly, second regular session. A governing body of a city 185 not within a county or a county that has opted out under the provisions of this 186 subsection may choose to implement the provisions of this section and sections 137.073, 138.060, and 138.100, RSMo, as enacted by house bill no. 1150 of the 187 ninety-first general assembly, second regular session, and section 137.073 as 188 modified by house committee substitute for senate substitute for senate 189 190 committee substitute for senate bill no. 960, ninety-second general assembly, 191 second regular session, for the next year of general reassessment, by an 192 affirmative vote of the governing body prior to December thirty-first of any year.

193 16. The governing body of any city of the third classification with more 194 than twenty-six thousand three hundred but fewer than twenty-six thousand seven 195 hundred inhabitants located in any county that has exercised its authority to opt out under subsection 15 of this section may levy separate and differing tax rates 196 for real and personal property only if such city bills and collects its own property 197 taxes or satisfies the entire cost of the billing and collection of such separate and 198 differing tax rates. Such separate and differing rates shall not exceed such city's 199 200 tax rate ceiling.]