SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 2049

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 288, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the federal unemployment tax act credit rate reduction, with an effective date.

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

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Section A. Chapter 288, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 288.095, to read as follows:

- 288.095. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, any employer for whom the division maintains a separate account for contributions or payments in lieu of contributions under section 288.100 and whose account maintained a positive balance for the preceding calendar year is authorized to retain withholding tax payable by the employer under section 143.191 to 143.265 in an amount equal to the amount of the federal unemployment tax credit rate reduction.
- 2. The division shall provide the department of revenue with documentation that enables the department to determine which employers are eligible to retain withholding tax under subsection 1 of this section.
- 3. Employers shall provide the department of revenue with documentation with the first withholding return filed from which withholding has been retained to verify the amount of the employer's federal unemployment tax credit rate reduction.
- 4. The department shall provide written notice by January thirty-first of each year to every employer for whom the division maintains a separate account for contributions or payments in lieu of contributions under section 288.100. Such notice shall contain the following information:
 - (1) Whether the state is a federal unemployment tax credit reduction state;

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18 (2) If the state is a credit reduction state, how much an employer's federal 19 unemployment tax credit will be reduced; and

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- 20 (3) If the employer maintained a positive balance in the employer's account for the preceding calendar year, that the employer is eligible to retain withholding tax under this section.
- 5. Employees of an employer retaining withholding tax under this section shall receive full credit for the amount of tax withheld under section 143.211.

Section B. The enactment of Section A of this act shall become effective on January 1, $2\ 2015$.

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