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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES MUNTZEL (Sponsor), JONES (50), ROWDEN, REMOLE, SCHIEBER, HOUGHTON, HICKS, FRANKLIN, FUNDERBURK, KELLEY (127) AND LOVE (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 135, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a tax deduction for Baldrige National Quality Award recipients.

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

Section A. Chapter 135, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 135.1785, to read as follows:

135.1785. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

- 2 (1) "Baldrige award", the Baldrige national quality award established under 15 3 U.S.C. 3711a;
- 4 (2) "Qualified business", a sole proprietorship, firm, partnership, limited liability company, S corporation, or a corporation doing business in the state of Missouri that has received a Baldrige award and:
- 7 (a) Is privately held;
- 8 **(b)** Has operated in Missouri for at least five consecutive years as of the receipt of 9 the Baldrige award;
- 10 (c) Is organized for-profit;
- 11 (d) Whose owners have been residents of Missouri for at least five years as of the 12 receipt of the Baldrige award;
- 13 (e) Has fewer than five hundred employees as of the receipt of the Baldrige award; 14 and
- 15 (f) Has not previously received a Baldrige award;

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

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16 (3) "Tax deduction", an amount subtracted from the taxpayer's Missouri adjusted 17 gross income to determine Missouri taxable income for the tax year in which such 18 deduction is claimed.

- 2. In addition to all deductions listed in chapter 143, for all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2015, a qualified business shall be allowed a tax deduction against the qualified business's Missouri adjusted gross income in an amount equal to one million dollars.
- 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 23.253 to the contrary, this section shall terminate after ten qualified businesses have received a Baldrige award or December 31, 2025, whichever is earlier.

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