

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By _____

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 46, Page 4, Section 84.344, Line 99, by
2 inserting immediately after said section and line the following:

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4 "135.580. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Community Police Tax
5 Credit".

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

7 (1) "Community policing zone", an area that is designated as such by a city, town, or village
8 and where law enforcement takes a proactive approach to address public safety concerns;

9 (2) "Eligible taxpayer", an individual who is employed as a law enforcement officer;

10 (3) "High-crime area", an area, as determined by the department of public safety, that has a
11 crime rate in the top twenty-five percent of all areas listed in the report required under subsection 4
12 of this section;

13 (4) "Present address", the address stated on an eligible taxpayer's income tax return;

14 (5) "Tax credit", a credit against the tax otherwise due under chapter 143, excluding
15 withholding tax imposed under sections 143.191 to 143.265.

16 3. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2021, an eligible taxpayer who lives in
17 both a high-crime area and a community policing zone shall be allowed to claim a tax credit against
18 the taxpayer's state tax liability in an amount equal to three thousand dollars.

19 4. The department of public safety shall issue a report to the department of revenue that
20 determines the crime rate of areas in this state. The report shall rank areas from the highest to
21 lowest crime rate. Crime rates shall be calculated by adding the total property and violent crimes
22 reported in an area and dividing such sum by the population of the area. The department of public
23 safety shall have discretion in determining the geographic boundaries of the areas, but in so
24 determining shall consider the availability of crime data and the difficulty of correlating street
25 addresses to the area. Areas shall not be as large as counties.

26 5. For eligible taxpayers who apply for the tax credit, the department of revenue shall verify
27 whether the taxpayer's present address is located in a high-crime area and, if so, apply the tax credit
28 to the taxpayer's tax return.

29 6. Tax credits issued under the provisions of this section shall be refundable but shall not be
30 sold, transferred, or assigned.

31 7. The department of revenue and department of public safety may promulgate rules to
32 implement the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in
33 section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective
34 only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable,
35 section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable, and if any of the powers vested
36 with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to

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1 disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking
2 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after the effective date of this section shall be invalid
3 and void.

4 8. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:

5 (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall automatically
6 sunset December thirty-first six years after the effective date of this section unless reauthorized by
7 an act of the general assembly;

8 (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall
9 automatically sunset December thirty-first twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization
10 of this section; and

11 (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately
12 following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset."; and
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14 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
15 accordingly.