

HB 326 -- TAX CREDITS

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This bill amends provisions of the "Champion for Children Tax Credit."

Currently, if a taxpayer is denied a tax credit because of a lack of available funds, and that denial results in a balance owed to the State, the taxpayer has 60 days from the notice of denial to make payment arrangements. If the balance is not paid within 60 days from the notice, the remaining balance will be due and payable in the same manner as personal income tax.

This bill states that in the event of a full or partial denial of a tax credit because the cumulative maximum amount of credits has already been redeemed, and that denial results in an income tax balance owed to the State, the taxpayer will not be held liable for any additional tax, penalty, or interest on that income tax balance, provided that payment arrangements are made within 60 days from the issuance of the notice of the credit denial.

This bill repeals the language stating that if the balance is not paid within 60 days from the notice, the remaining balance will be treated as personal income tax.

This bill extends the expiration of the tax credit to December 31, 2032.

This bill also amends provisions of the "Donated Food Tax Credit".

Currently, the Department of Revenue establishes procedures to ensure that taxpayers can claim all possible portions of the tax credit up to the cumulative amount available for the fiscal year.

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This bill extends the expiration of the tax credit to December 31, 2032.

This bill is similar to HB 2589 (2024).