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94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 135, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the new markets tax credit program.

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 135.662, to read as follows:

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

- 3 (1) "Adjusted purchase price", the product of:
- 4 (a) The amount paid to the issuer of a qualified equity
- 5 investment for such qualified equity investment; and
- 6 (b) The following fraction:
- 7 a. The numerator shall be the dollar amount of qualified low-
- 8 income community investments held by the issuer in this state as of the
- 9 credit allowance date during the applicable tax year; and
- b. The denominator shall be the total dollar amount of qualified
- 11 low-income community investments held by the issuer in all states as
- 12 of the credit allowance date during the applicable tax year;
- 13 (2) "Applicable percentage", zero percent for each of the first two
- 14 credit allowance dates, seven percent for the third credit allowance
- 15 date, and eight percent for the next four credit allowance dates;
- 16 (3) "Credit allowance date", with respect to any qualified equity
- 17 investment:

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- (a) The date on which such investment is initially made; and
- 19 (b) Each of the six anniversary dates of such dates thereafter;
- 20 (4) "Long-term debt security", any debt instrument issued by a

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21qualified community development entity, at par value or a premium, 22with an original maturity date of at least seven years from the date of 23its issuance, with no acceleration of repayment, amortization, or prepayment features prior to its original maturity date, and with no 24distribution, payment, or interest features related to the profitability 25of the qualified community development entity or the performance of 26 qualified community development entity's investment 27portfolio. The foregoing shall in no way limit the holder's ability to 2829 accelerate payments on the debt instrument in situations where the issuer has defaulted on covenants designed to ensure compliance with 30 this section or Section 45D of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as 31 32amended;

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- (5) "Qualified active low-income community business", the meaning given such term in Section 45D of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; provided that any business that derives or projects to derive fifteen percent or more of its annual revenue from the rental or sale of real estate shall not be considered to be a qualified active low-income community business;
- 39 (6) "Qualified community development entity", the meaning given 40 such term in Section 45D of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as 41 amended; provided that such entity has entered into an allocation 42 agreement with the Community Development Financial Institutions 43 Fund of the U.S. Treasury Department with respect to credits 44 authorized by Section 45D of the Internal revenue Code of 1986, as 45 amended;
- 46 (7) "Qualified Equity Investment", any equity investment in, or 47 long-term debt security issued by, a qualified community development 48 entity that:
- 49 (a) Is acquired after the effective date of this section at its 50 original issuance solely in exchange for cash;
- (b) Has at least eighty-five percent of its cash purchase price 52 used by the issuer to make qualified low-income community 53 investments; and
- (c) Is designated by the issuer as a qualified equity investment.

 This term shall include any qualified equity investment that does not
 meet the provisions of paragraph (a) of this subdivision if such
 investment was a qualified equity investment in the hands of a prior

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- 59 (8) "Qualified low-income community investment", any capital or equity investment in, or loan to, any qualified active low-income 60 community business. With respect to any one qualified active low-61 income community business, on a collective basis with all of its 62affiliates, the maximum amount of investment that any qualified 63 community development entity, on an aggregate basis with all of its 64 affiliates, may use for the calculation of any numerator described in 65 Section (1)(b)(i) shall be ten million dollars; 66
- 67 (9) "Tax credit", a credit against the tax otherwise due under 68 chapter 143, RSMo, excluding withholding tax imposed in sections 69 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, or otherwise due under section 375.916, RSMo, 70 or chapter 147, 148, or 153, RSMo;
- 71 (10) "Taxpayer", any individual or entity subject to the tax 72 imposed in chapter 143, RSMo, excluding withholding tax imposed in 73 sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo, or the tax imposed in section 375.916, 74 RSMo, or chapter 147, 148, or 153, RSMo.
- 75 2. A taxpayer that holds a qualified equity investment on a credit 76 allowance date of such qualified equity investment shall be entitled to 77 a tax credit during the taxable year including such credit allowance 78 date. The tax credit amount shall be equal to the applicable percentage of the adjusted purchase price paid to the issuer of such qualified 79 80 equity investment. The amount of the tax credit claimed shall not 81 exceed the amount of the taxpayer's state tax liability for the tax year 82 for which the tax credit is claimed. No tax credit claimed under this section shall be refundable or transferable. Tax credits earned by a 83 partnership, limited liability company, s-corporation, or other "pass-85 through" entity may be allocated to the partners, members, or shareholders of such entity for their direct use in accordance with the 86 provisions of any agreement among such partners, members, or 87 shareholders. Any amount of tax credit that the taxpayer is prohibited 88 by this section from claiming in a taxable year may be carried forward 89 to any of the taxpayer's subsequent taxable years. The amount of tax 90 credits that may be allocated by the department of economic development under this section in each fiscal year shall not exceed 92fifteen million dollars. 93
 - 3. The issuer of the qualified equity investment shall certify to

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95 the department of economic development the anticipated dollar amount 96 of such investments to be made in this state during the first twelve-97 month period following the initial credit allowance date. If on the 98 second credit allowance date, the actual dollar amount of such 99 investments is different than the amount estimated, the department of 100 economic development shall adjust the credits arising on the second 101 allowance date to account for such difference.

- 4. The department of economic development shall recapture the tax credit allowed under this section with respect to such qualified equity investment under this section if:
- (1) Any amount of the federal tax credit available with respect to a qualified equity investment that is eligible for a tax credit under this section is recaptured under Section 45D of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; or
- 109 (2) The issuer redeems or makes principal repayment with 110 respect to a qualified equity investment prior to the seventh 111 anniversary of the issuance of such qualified equity investment.
- Any tax credit that is subject to recapture shall be recaptured from the taxpayer that claimed the tax credit on a return.
 - 5. The department of economic development shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section, including recapture provisions on a scaled proportional basis, and to administer the allocation of tax credits issued for qualified equity investments, which shall be conducted on a first-come, first-serve basis. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, RSMo, 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, RSMo, and, if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2007, shall be invalid and void.
- 6. Under section 23.253, RSMo, of the Missouri sunset act:
- 130 (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this 131 section shall automatically sunset six years after the effective date of

132 this section unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly; and

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- 133 (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized 134 under this section shall automatically sunset twelve years after the 135 effective date of the reauthorization of this section; and
- 136 (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the 137 calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the 138 program authorized under this section is sunset.
- However, nothing in this subsection shall preclude a taxpayer who makes a qualified equity investment prior to sunset of this section under the provision of the Missouri sunset act, section 23.253, RSMo, from claiming tax credits relating to such qualified equity investment

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