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AN ACT

To repeal sections 135.647, 135.772, 135.775, and 135.778, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof seventeen new sections relating to tax credits, with a delayed effective date for a certain section.

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

Section A. Sections 135.647, 135.772, 135.775, and 135.778, RSMo, are repealed

- 2 and seventeen new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 135.457, 135.465,
- 3 135.640, 135.647, 135.753, 135.772, 135.775, 135.778, 348.273, 348.274, 620.3500,
- 4 620.3505, 620.3510, 620.3515, 620.3520, 620.3525, and 620.3530, to read as follows:
- 135.457. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Intern and Apprentice Recruitment Act".
 - 2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:
- 4 (1) "Apprentice", an individual registered and participating in a qualified 5 apprenticeship program in Missouri who has completed at least one year in such 6 qualified apprenticeship program;
 - (2) "Intern", a student who is enrolled at an approved private or public institution, as defined in section 173.1102, and who has completed a minimum of thirty credit hours;
- 10 (3) "Qualified apprenticeship program", an approved apprenticeship program, as defined under 29 CFR Part 29 and 29 U.S.C. Section 50, certified by the United States
- 12 Department of Labor, in partnership with the Missouri department of higher education
- 13 and workforce development, and conducted in Missouri;

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.

- 14 (4) "Tax credit", a credit against the tax otherwise due under chapter 143, 15 excluding withholding tax imposed under sections 143.191 to 143.265;
 - (5) "Taxpayer", any individual, firm, partner in a firm, corporation, partnership, shareholder in an S corporation, or member of a limited liability company subject to the state income tax imposed under chapter 143, 147, 148, or 153, excluding the withholding tax imposed under sections 143.191 to 143.265, and that engages in business in the apprentice's or intern's chosen field of study.
 - 3. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, a taxpayer shall be allowed to claim a tax credit against the taxpayer's state tax liability in an amount equal to one thousand five hundred dollars for each intern or apprentice hired at a pay rate equal to or greater than minimum wage, provided that the following criteria are met:
 - (1) The total number of interns or apprentices employed for the tax year that the credit is claimed exceeds the average number of interns or apprentices employed by the taxpayer over the previous three years;
 - (2) Interns shall work a minimum of sixty hours per month for two consecutive months during the tax year for which the credit is claimed and a copy of each intern's official transcript is submitted with the claim for such tax credit; and
 - (3) Apprentices comply with all federal requirements of a qualified apprenticeship including completing a minimum of two thousand hours of on-the-job training and one hundred forty-four hours of required technical instruction in a calendar year and a copy of the qualified apprenticeship program.
 - 4. Notwithstanding any provision of section 32.057 or any other confidentiality provision of state tax law to the contrary, the department of revenue may reveal the names and other necessary information of all prior employers who have claimed an individual as an intern or apprentice under this section, including the tax years in which such individual was claimed as a qualified apprentice.
 - 5. The total amount of tax credits claimed by a taxpayer under this section shall not exceed nine thousand dollars in any given tax year.
 - 6. The cumulative amount of tax credits allowed to all taxpayers under this section shall not exceed one million dollars per tax year. If the amount of tax credits claimed in a tax year under this section exceeds one million dollars, priority shall be given to taxpayers that have been in business for less than five years, with the remaining tax credits to be distributed based on the order in which they are claimed.
- 7. Tax credits issued under the provisions of this section shall not be refundable.
 No tax credit claimed under this section shall be carried forward to any subsequent tax
 year.

- 8. No tax credit claimed under this section shall be assigned, transferred, sold, or otherwise conveyed.
 - 9. The application for the tax credits under this section shall be made to the department of economic development and shall include information on participation in the qualified apprenticeship program or a copy of the official transcript for the intern being claimed, if applicable, and any other such information that the department deems necessary. The department of economic development shall prescribe the method for claiming the tax credits allowed in this section and shall certify to the department of revenue each applicant that qualifies for a tax credit under this section.
 - 10. The department of economic development shall prepare an annual report containing statistical information regarding the tax credits issued under this section for the previous tax year, including the total amount of tax credits claimed in the tax year, the average number of tax credits claimed per taxpayer, the total number of interns claimed, the total number of apprentices claimed, and the total amount expended on the program.
 - 11. The department of economic development shall promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, 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 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 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, 2023, shall be invalid and void.
 - 12. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:
 - (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset December thirty-first six years after the effective date of this section unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly;
 - (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset December thirty-first twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section; and
 - (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset.
 - 135.465. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

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- 2 (1) "Barriers to employment", the same meaning as such term is used for the 3 federal work opportunity tax credit for a member of a targeted group under Section 51 4 of the Internal Revenue Code;
 - (2) "Federal work opportunity credit", the work opportunity tax credit allowed under Section 51 of the Internal Revenue Code;
 - (3) "Qualified taxpayer", any individual or entity subject to the state income tax imposed under chapter 143, 147, 148, or 153, excluding the withholding tax imposed under sections 143.191 to 143.265, who is an employer that incurred or paid wages to an individual with barriers to employment and was employed in the state during the tax year for which the tax credit under this section is claimed;
- 12 (4) "Tax credit", a credit against the tax otherwise due under chapter 143, 147, 13 148, or 153, excluding withholding tax imposed under sections 143.191 to 143.265.
 - 2. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, a qualified taxpayer shall be allowed to claim a tax credit against the taxpayer's state tax liability for wages paid or incurred by the qualified taxpayer during the tax year to an individual with barriers to employment who is employed in the state in an amount equal to the lesser of:
 - (1) One hundred percent of the federal work opportunity credit properly claimed for the tax year by a qualified taxpayer on such taxpayer's federal income tax return with respect to such wages, excluding any amount carried back or forward from another tax year in accordance with Section 39 of the Internal Revenue Code; or
 - (2) The Missouri income tax imposed for that tax year, except in the case of an employer that is an organization exempt from taxation under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.
 - 3. An employer that is an organization exempt from taxation under Section 501 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code may apply the credit under this section as a credit for the payment of taxes that the organization is required to withhold from the wages of employees and required to pay to the state.
- 4. Tax credits issued under the provisions of this section shall not be refundable.
 No tax credit claimed under this section shall be carried forward to any subsequent tax
 year.
 - 5. No tax credit claimed under this section shall be assigned, transferred, sold, or otherwise conveyed.
- 34 6. The department of revenue shall promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, 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 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter

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 - 7. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:
 - (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset December thirty-first six years after the effective date of this section unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly;
 - (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset December thirty-first twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section; and
 - This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset.
 - 135.640. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:
- 2 (1) "Local hospital foundation", any hospital foundation that:
 - (a) Is exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; and
 - (b) Provides financial relief for unpaid hospital bills for services provided at notfor-profit hospitals to any person whom the foundation deems to be in need of relief in the area in which the taxpayer claiming the tax credit under this section resides;
 - (2) "Qualified amount", for any qualified taxpayer in a given tax year, an amount equal to fifty percent of the value of the donations made to a local hospital foundation, to the extent such amounts that have been subtracted from federal adjusted gross income or federal taxable income are back in the determination of Missouri adjusted gross income or Missouri taxable income before the credit can be claimed;
 - (3) "Qualified taxpayer", any individual subject to the state income tax imposed under chapter 143, excluding the withholding tax imposed under sections 143.191 to 143.265, who makes a donation to a local hospital foundation and such donation is eligible for a tax credit under this section;
 - (4) "Tax credit", a credit against the tax otherwise due under chapter 143, excluding withholding tax imposed under sections 143.191 to 143.265.
- 2. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, a qualified taxpayer 20 shall be allowed to claim a tax credit against the taxpayer's state tax liability in an amount equal to the taxpayer's qualified amount. Each taxpayer claiming a tax credit 22 under this section shall file an affidavit with the income tax return verifying the amount of the taxpayer's donations. The amount of the tax credit claimed shall not exceed the

amount of the taxpayer's state tax liability for the tax year that the credit is claimed and shall not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars per taxpayer claiming the credit.

- 3. The cumulative amount of tax credits allowed to all taxpayers under this section shall not exceed two million dollars per tax year. If the amount of tax credits claimed in a tax year under this section exceeds two million dollars, tax credits shall be allowed based on the order in which they are claimed.
- 4. No tax credit claimed under this section shall be refundable, but may be carried forward to any of the taxpayer's three subsequent tax years.
- 5. No tax credit claimed under this section shall be assigned, transferred, sold, or otherwise conveyed.
- 6. The department of revenue shall promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the administration of this section including, but not limited to, rules relating to the verification of a taxpayer's qualified amount. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, 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 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 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, 2023, shall be invalid and void.
 - 7. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:
- (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset six years after the effective date of this section unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly;
- (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section; and
- (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the provisions authorized under this section are sunset.
 - 135.647. 1. As used in this section, the following terms shall mean:
- (1) "Local food pantry", any food pantry that is:
- 3 (a) Exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 4 1986, as amended; and
- 5 (b) Distributing emergency food supplies to Missouri low-income people who would 6 otherwise not have access to food supplies in the area in which the taxpayer claiming the tax 7 credit under this section resides;

- 8 (2) "Local homeless shelter", any homeless shelter that is:
- 9 (a) Exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 10 1986, as amended; and
- 11 (b) Providing temporary living arrangements, in the area in which the taxpayer 12 claiming the tax credit under this section resides, for individuals and families who otherwise 13 lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence and lack the resources or support 14 networks to obtain other permanent housing;
- 15 (3) "Local soup kitchen", any soup kitchen that is:
- 16 (a) Exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 17 1986, as amended; and
 - (b) Providing prepared meals through an established congregate feeding operation to needy, low-income persons including, but not limited to, homeless persons in the area in which the taxpayer claiming the tax credit under this section resides;
 - (4) "Taxpayer", an individual, a firm, a partner in a firm, corporation, or a shareholder in an S corporation doing business in this state and subject to the state income tax imposed by chapter 143, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265.
 - 2. (1) Beginning on March 29, 2013, any donation of cash or food made to a local food pantry on or after January 1, 2013, unless such food is donated after the food's expiration date, shall be eligible for tax credits as provided by this section.
 - (2) Beginning on August 28, 2018, any donation of cash or food made to a local soup kitchen or local homeless shelter on or after January 1, 2018, unless such food is donated after the food's expiration date, shall be eligible for a tax credit as provided under this section.
 - (3) Any taxpayer who makes a donation that is eligible for a tax credit under this section shall be allowed a credit against the tax otherwise due under chapter 143, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, in an amount equal to fifty percent of the value of the donations made to the extent such amounts that have been subtracted from federal adjusted gross income or federal taxable income are added back in the determination of Missouri adjusted gross income or Missouri taxable income before the credit can be claimed. Each taxpayer claiming a tax credit under this section shall file an affidavit with the income tax return verifying the amount of their contributions. The amount of the tax credit claimed shall not exceed the amount of the taxpayer's state tax liability for the tax year that the credit is claimed and shall not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars per taxpayer claiming the credit. Any amount of credit that the taxpayer is prohibited by this section from claiming in a tax year shall not be refundable, but may be carried forward to any of the taxpayer's three subsequent tax years. No tax credit granted under this section shall be transferred, sold, or assigned. No taxpayer shall be eligible to receive a credit pursuant to this section if such taxpayer employs persons who are not authorized to work in the United States

under federal law. No taxpayer shall be able to claim more than one credit under this section for a single donation.

- 3. The cumulative amount of tax credits under this section which may be allocated to all taxpayers contributing to a local food pantry, local soup kitchen, or local homeless shelter in any one fiscal year shall not exceed [one] three million [seven hundred fifty thousand] dollars. The director of revenue shall establish a procedure by which the cumulative amount of tax credits is apportioned among all taxpayers claiming the credit by April fifteenth of the fiscal year in which the tax credit is claimed. To the maximum extent possible, the director of revenue shall establish the procedure described in this subsection in such a manner as to ensure that taxpayers can claim all the tax credits possible up to the cumulative amount of tax credits available for the fiscal year.
- 4. Any local food pantry, local soup kitchen, or local homeless shelter may accept or reject any donation of food made under this section for any reason. For purposes of this section, any donations of food accepted by a local food pantry, local soup kitchen, or local homeless shelter shall be valued at fair market value, or at wholesale value if the taxpayer making the donation of food is a retail grocery store, food broker, wholesaler, or restaurant.
- 5. The department of revenue shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, 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 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 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 of the Missouri sunset act:
- (1) The program authorized under this section shall be reauthorized as of August 28, 2018, and shall expire on December 31, [2026] 2031, unless reauthorized by the general assembly; and
- (2) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset; and
- (3) The provisions of this subsection shall not be construed to limit or in any way impair a taxpayer's ability to redeem tax credits authorized on or before the date the program authorized under this section expires.

135.753. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Entertainment Industry Jobs Act".

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- (1) "Base investment", the aggregate funds actually invested and expended by a 4 Missouri taxpayer as a rehearsal expense or tour expense pursuant to this section; 5
 - (2) "Concert", a ticketed live performance of music in the physical presence of at least one thousand individuals who view the performance live. For the purposes of this subdivision, "ticketed" shall mean a concert where individual tickets for attendance are offered for sale to the public;
 - (3) "Concert tour equipment", stage, set, scenery, design elements, automation, rigging, trusses, spotlights, lighting, sound equipment, video equipment, special effects, cases, communication devices, power distribution equipment, backline and other miscellaneous equipment, or supplies used during a concert or rehearsal;
 - (4) "Department", the Missouri department of economic development;
- (5) "Expense", any expense, expenditure, cost, charge, or other disbursement or spending of funds; 16
 - (6) "Facility", a site with one or more studios. Multiple studios at a single location shall not be considered separate facilities. A site may include one or more buildings on the same property or properties within a five-mile radius, provided that the properties' purpose and operations are interrelated and are owned or operated by the same owner or operator, as applicable;
 - (7) "Facility full-time equivalent employee", an employee that is scheduled to work an average of at least thirty-five hours per week and is located at the qualified rehearsal facility, or a combination of two or more employees that combined, work an average of at least thirty-five hours per week and are located at the qualified rehearsal facility. An employee shall be considered to be located at the qualified rehearsal facility if such employee spends fifty percent or more of the employee's work time at the qualified rehearsal facility or at a nearby location serving the qualified rehearsal facility, including a warehouse, located in Missouri and owned by the same owner or operator, as applicable, of the qualified rehearsal facility. An employee that spends less than fifty percent of the employee's work time at the qualified rehearsal facility or nearby location shall be considered to be located at a qualified rehearsal facility if the employee receives his or her directions and control from the qualified rehearsal facility and is on the qualified rehearsal facility's payroll;
 - (8) "Minimum rehearsal and tour requirements", the occurrence of all of the following during a rehearsal or tour:
 - (a) The purchase or rental of concert tour equipment, related services, or both, in an amount of at least one million dollars from a Missouri vendor for use in the rehearsal, on the tour, or both;
 - (b) A rehearsal at a qualified rehearsal facility for a minimum of ten days; and

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- 41 (c) The holding of at least two concerts in the state of Missouri;
- 42 (9) "Missouri vendor", an individual or entity located in and maintaining a place of business in this state. Only transactions made through a Missouri location of a 44 Missouri vendor shall constitute a transaction with a Missouri vendor for the purposes 45 of this section;
 - (10) "Nonresident", the same meaning as defined pursuant to section 143.101;
- (11) "Pass-through entity", any incorporated or unincorporated entity that has or elects pass-through taxation under federal law, including, without limitation, a partnership, S corporation, or unincorporated entity with or that elects pass-through 50 taxation:
- 51 "Qualified rehearsal facility", a facility primarily used for rehearsals 52 located in this state and which meets all of the following criteria:
 - (a) Has a minimum of twelve thousand five hundred square feet of column-free, unobstructed floor space in at least one rehearsal studio in the facility;
 - (b) Has had a minimum of eight million dollars invested in the facility in land or structure, or a combination of land and structure;
 - (c) Has a permanent grid system with a capacity of a minimum of five hundred thousand pounds in at least one rehearsal studio in the facility;
 - (d) Has a height from floor to permanent grid of a minimum of fifty feet in at least one rehearsal studio in the facility;
 - (e) Has at least one sliding or roll-up access door with a minimum height of fourteen feet in the facility;
 - (f) Has a security system which includes seven-days-a-week security cameras and the use of access control identification badges;
 - (g) Has a service area with production offices, catering, and dressing rooms with a minimum of five thousand square feet; and
- (h) Is owned or operated by an entity that employs, on average on an annual 68 basis, at least eighty facility full-time equivalent employees;
- A qualified rehearsal facility shall not include a facility at which concerts are regularly 71 held;
 - (13) "Resident", the same meaning as defined pursuant to section 143.101;
- 73 (14) "Rehearsal", an event or series of events which occur in preparation for a tour prior to the start of the tour or during a tour when additional preparation may be 74 75 needed:
- 76 (15) "Rehearsal expenses", includes all of the following when incurred or when 77 such expenses will be incurred during a rehearsal:

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- 78 (a) Total aggregate payroll;
- 79 (b) Payment to a personal service corporation representing individual talent;
- 80 (c) Payment to a pass-through entity representing individual talent;
- 81 (d) Expenses related to construction, operations, editing, photography, staging, 82 lighting, wardrobe, and accessories;
 - (e) The leasing of vehicles from a Missouri vendor;
 - (f) The transportation of people or concert tour equipment to or from a train station, bus depot, airport, or other transportation location, or from a residence or business entity:
 - (g) Insurance coverage for an entire tour if the insurance coverage is purchased or will be purchased through an insurance agent that is a Missouri vendor;
 - (h) Food and lodging from a Missouri vendor;
 - (i) The purchase or rental of concert tour equipment from a Missouri vendor;
- 91 (j) The rental of a qualified rehearsal facility; and
 - (k) Emergency or medical support services required to conduct a rehearsal;
 - (16) "Total aggregate payroll", the total sum expended on salaries paid to resident employees, regardless of whether such resident is working within or outside of this state, or nonresident employees working within this state in one or more tours or rehearsals, including, without limitation, payments to a loan-out company. For the purposes of this subdivision:
 - (a) With respect to a single employee, the portion of any salary which exceeds two million dollars in the aggregate for a single tour shall not be included when calculating total aggregate payroll;
 - (b) All payments to a single employee and any legal entity in which the employee has any direct or indirect ownership interest shall be considered as having been paid to the employee and shall be aggregated regardless of the means of payment or distribution; and
- (c) Total aggregate payroll shall include payments to a loan-out company that 106 has met its withholding tax obligations as provided in this paragraph. The taxpayer claiming the credit authorized pursuant to this section shall withhold Missouri income 108 tax at the rate imposed pursuant to section 143.071 on all payments to loan-out 109 companies for services performed in Missouri. Any amounts so withheld shall be 110 deemed to have been withheld by the loan-out company on wages paid to its employees for services performed in Missouri, notwithstanding any exclusions under Missouri law for short-term employment of nonresident workers, out-of-state businesses, or otherwise. The amounts so withheld shall be allocated to the loan-out company's employees based on the payments made to the loan-out company's employees for

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115 services performed in Missouri. For the purposes of this section, loan-out company 116 nonresident employees performing services in Missouri shall be considered taxable 117 nonresidents and the loan-out company shall be subject to income taxation in the taxable year in which the loan-out company's employees perform services in Missouri, 118 notwithstanding any other provisions of chapter 143. Such withholding liability shall be 120 subject to penalties and interest in the same manner as the employee withholding taxes imposed under chapter 143, and the department of revenue shall provide by regulation 122 the manner in which such liability shall be assessed and collected;

- (17) "Tour", a series of concerts or other performances performed or to be performed by a musical or other live performer, including at least one rehearsal, in one or more locations over multiple days;
- (18) "Tour expenses", expenses incurred or which will be incurred during a tour including venues located in this state, including:
 - (a) Total aggregate payroll;
- (b) The transportation of people or concert tour equipment to or from a train station, bus depot, airport, or other transportation location, or from a residence or business entity located in this state, or which is purchased or will be purchased from a Missouri vendor;
 - (c) The leasing of vehicles provided by a Missouri vendor;
- 134 (d) The purchasing or rental of facilities and equipment from or through a 135 Missouri vendor;
- 136 (e) Food and lodging which is incurred or will be incurred from a Missouri 137 vendor;
 - (f) Marketing or advertising a tour at venues located within this state;
- (g) Merchandise which is purchased or will be purchased from a Missouri 140 vendor and used on the tour;
 - (h) Payments made or that will be made to a personal service corporation representing individual talent if income tax will be paid or accrued on the net income of the corporation for the taxable year pursuant to chapter 143; and
 - (i) Payments made or that will be made to a pass-through entity representing individual talent for which withholding tax will be withheld by the pass-through entity on the payment as required pursuant to chapter 143;

148 "Tour expenses" shall not include development expenses, including the writing of music 149 or lyrics, or any expenses claimed by a taxpayer as rehearsal expenses.

3. (1) For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, a taxpayer shall be allowed a tax credit for rehearsal expenses and tour expenses incurred by the taxpayer.

- The amount of the tax credit shall be equal to thirty percent of the taxpayer's base investment, subject to the limitations provided in subsection 6 of this section. No tax credit shall be authorized for rehearsal expenses or tour expenses related to a rehearsal or tour that does not meet the minimum rehearsal and tour requirements.
 - (2) Tax credits issued pursuant to this section shall not be refundable. Any amount of tax credit that exceeds the tax liability for a taxpayer's tax year may be carried forward to any of the taxpayer's five subsequent taxable years.
 - 4. (1) Tax credits authorized pursuant to this section may be transferred or sold in whole or in part by the taxpayer that claimed the tax credit, provided that the tax credit is transferred or sold to another Missouri taxpayer.
 - (2) A transferor may make one or more transfers or sales of tax credits claimed in a taxable year, and such transfers or sales may involve one or more transferees.
 - (3) A transferor shall submit to the department and to the department of revenue a written notification of any transfer or sale of tax credits within thirty days after the transfer or sale of such tax credits. Such notification shall include the amount of the transferor's unredeemed tax credits prior to transfer, the tax credit identifying certificate number or other relevant identifying information, the remaining amount of unredeemed tax credits after transfer, all tax identification numbers for each transferee, the date of transfer, the amount transferred, and any other information required by the department or the department of revenue.
 - (4) The transfer or sale of a tax credit authorized pursuant to this section shall not extend the time in which such tax credit may be redeemed. The carry-forward period for a tax credit that is transferred or sold shall begin on the date on which the tax credit was originally issued.
 - (5) A transferee shall have only such rights to claim and redeem the tax credit that was available to such transferor at the time of the transfer, except for the transfer use of the tax credit authorized in subdivision (1) of this subsection. To the extent that such transferor did not have rights to claim or redeem the tax credit at the time of the transfer, the department of revenue shall either disallow the tax credit claimed by the transferee or recapture the tax credit from the transferee. The transferee's recourse shall be against such transferor.
- 183 (6) Tax credits shall not be transferred or sold for less than sixty percent of the value of such tax credits.
 - (7) A taxpayer failing to comply with the provisions of this subsection shall not be able to redeem a tax credit until such taxpayer is in full compliance.
 - 5. The tax credits authorized pursuant to this section shall be subject to the following conditions and limitations:

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- 189 (1) The tax credit may be taken beginning with the taxable year in which the 190 taxpayer earning the tax credit has met the requirements provided pursuant to this 191 section. For each year in which such taxpayer either claims or transfers the tax credit, 192 the taxpayer shall attach a schedule to the taxpayer's Missouri income tax return which 193 shall include the following information:
 - (a) A description of the qualifying activities and expenses;
- (b) A detailed listing of the employee names, Social Security numbers, and 196 Missouri wages when salaries are included in the base investment;
 - (c) The amount of the tax credit claimed pursuant to this section for the tax year;
- 198 (d) Any tax credit previously taken by the taxpayer against Missouri income tax 199 liabilities:
 - (e) The amount of the tax credit carried over from prior years;
 - (f) The amount of the tax credit utilized by the taxpayer claiming the tax credit in the current taxable year; and
 - (g) The amount of the tax credit to be carried over to subsequent tax years;
 - (2) In the initial tax year in which the taxpayer claims the credit authorized pursuant to this section, the taxpayer shall include a description of the qualifying activities and expenses that demonstrates that the minimum rehearsal and tour requirements are met; and
 - (3) Any taxpayer claiming, transferring, or selling a tax credit pursuant to this section shall be required to reimburse the department of revenue for any departmentinitiated audits relating to the tax credit. The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to routine tax audits of a taxpayer which may include the review of the tax credit authorized pursuant to this section.
 - 6. (1) The aggregate amount of tax credits that may be authorized in a given fiscal year pursuant to this section shall not exceed eight million dollars. If the amount of tax credits applied for by taxpayers exceeds such amount, the department may, at its discretion, authorize additional tax credits in an amount not to exceed two million dollars in such fiscal year, provided that the maximum amount of tax credits that may be authorized during the subsequent fiscal year shall be reduced by the amount of additional tax credits that the department authorizes.
 - (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (1) of subsection 3 of this section to the contrary, the amount of tax credits claimed by a taxpayer pursuant to this section during a fiscal year shall not exceed the following amounts:
- (a) If a taxpayer's base investment is less than four million dollars, the taxpayer 224 shall not be awarded more than one million dollars in tax credits in a fiscal year;

- 225 (b) If a taxpayer's base investment is at least four million dollars but less than 226 eight million dollars, the taxpayer shall not be awarded more than two million dollars in 227 tax credits in a fiscal year; and
 - (c) If a taxpayer's base investment is at least eight million dollars, the taxpayer shall not be awarded more than three million dollars in tax credits in a fiscal year.
 - 7. The department shall promulgate such rules and regulations as are necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, 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 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 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, 2023, shall be invalid and void.
 - 8. Pursuant to section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:
 - (1) The program authorized pursuant to this section shall automatically sunset on December 31, 2030, unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly;
 - (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized pursuant to this section shall automatically sunset on December thirty-first, twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization;
 - (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized pursuant to this section is sunset; and
 - (4) The provisions of this subsection shall not be construed to limit or in any way impair the department's ability to redeem tax credits authorized on or before the date the program authorized pursuant to this section expires or a taxpayer's ability to redeem such tax credits.
 - 9. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 8 of this section, the provisions of this section shall automatically terminate and expire ninety days after the department determines that all other state and local governments in the United States of America have terminated or let lapse their tax credit or other governmental incentive program for the music or performance entertainment industries, regardless of whether such credits or programs are now in effect or first commence after the effective date of this section. The department shall notify the revisor of statutes upon the department's determination that the tax credit authorized by this section shall terminate pursuant to this subsection.

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- (2) The provisions of this subsection shall not be construed to limit or in any way impair the ability of any taxpayer that has met the requirements in this section prior to the termination of this section to participate in the program authorized under this section. The provisions of this section shall not be construed to limit or in any way impair the department's ability to redeem tax credits qualified for on or before the date the program authorized pursuant to this section expires.
 - 135.772. 1. For the purposes of this section, the following terms shall mean:
 - 2 (1) "Department", the Missouri department of revenue;
 - (2) "Distributor", a person, firm, or corporation doing business in this state that:
 - 4 (a) Produces, refines, blends, compounds, or manufactures motor fuel;
 - 5 (b) Imports motor fuel into the state; or
 - (c) Is engaged in distribution of motor fuel;
 - 7 (3) "Higher ethanol blend", a fuel capable of being dispensed directly into motor 8 vehicle fuel tanks for consumption that is comprised of at least fifteen percent but not more 9 than eighty-five percent ethanol;
 - 10 (4) "Retail dealer", a person, firm, or corporation doing business in this state that 11 owns or operates a retail service station in this state;
 - (5) "Retail service station", a location in this state from which higher ethanol blend is sold to the general public and is dispensed directly into motor vehicle fuel tanks for consumption.
 - 2. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2023, a retail dealer that sells higher ethanol blend at such retail dealer's retail service station or a distributor that sells higher ethanol blend directly to the final user located in this state shall be allowed a tax credit to be taken against the retail dealer's or distributor's state income tax liability. The amount of the credit shall equal five cents per gallon of higher ethanol blend sold by the retail dealer and dispensed through metered pumps at the retail dealer's retail service station or by a distributor directly to the final user located in this state during the tax year for which the tax credit is claimed. For any retail dealer or distributor with a tax year beginning prior to January 1, 2023, but ending during the 2023 calendar year, such retail dealer or distributor shall be allowed a tax credit for the amount of higher ethanol blend sold during the portion of such tax year that occurs during the 2023 calendar year. Tax credits authorized pursuant to this section shall not be transferred, sold, or assigned. If the amount of the tax credit exceeds the taxpayer's state tax liability, the difference shall not be refundable but may be carried forward to any of the five subsequent tax years. The total amount of tax credits issued pursuant to this section for any given fiscal year shall not exceed five million dollars.
 - 3. In the event the total amount of tax credits claimed under this section exceeds the amount of available tax credits, the tax credits shall be apportioned among all eligible retail

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- dealers and distributors claiming a tax credit by April fifteenth, or as directed by section 143.851, of the fiscal year in which the tax credit is claimed.
 - 4. The tax credit allowed by this section shall be claimed by such taxpayer at the time such taxpayer files a return and shall be applied against the income tax liability imposed by chapter 143, excluding the withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, after reduction for all other credits allowed thereon. The department may require any documentation it deems necessary to implement the provisions of this section.
 - 5. The department shall promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, 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 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 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 the effective date of this section shall be invalid and void.
 - 6. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:
 - (1) The provisions of this section shall automatically sunset on December 31, 2028, unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly; and
 - (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section; and
- 53 (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset.
 - 135.775. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:
- 2 (1) "Biodiesel blend", a blend of diesel fuel and biodiesel fuel of at least five percent 3 and not more than twenty percent for on-road and off-road diesel-fueled vehicle use;
 - (2) "Biodiesel fuel", a renewable, biodegradable, mono alkyl ester combustible liquid fuel that is derived from agricultural and other plant oils or animal fats and that meets the most recent version of the ASTM International D6751 Standard Specification for Biodiesel Fuel Blend Stock. A fuel shall be deemed to be biodiesel fuel if the fuel consists of a pure B100 or B99 ratio. Biodiesel produced from palm oil is not biodiesel fuel for the purposes of this section unless the palm oil is contained within waste oil and grease collected within the United States;
- 11 (3) "B99", a blend of ninety-nine percent biodiesel fuel that meets the most recent 12 version of the ASTM International D6751 Standard Specification for Biodiesel Fuel Blend 13 Stock with a minimum of one-tenth of one percent and maximum of one percent diesel fuel

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- that meets the most recent version of the ASTM International D975 Standard Specification for Diesel Fuel;
- 16 (4) "Department", the Missouri department of revenue;
- 17 (5) "Distributor", a person, firm, or corporation doing business in this state that:
- 18 (a) Produces, refines, blends, compounds, or manufactures motor fuel;
- 19 (b) Imports motor fuel into the state; or
- 20 (c) Is engaged in distribution of motor fuel;
- 21 (6) "Retail dealer", a person, firm, or corporation doing business in this state that 22 owns or operates a retail service station in this state;
 - (7) "Retail service station", a location in this state from which biodiesel blend is sold to the general public and is dispensed directly into motor vehicle fuel tanks for consumption at retail.
 - 2. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2023, a retail dealer that sells a biodiesel blend at a retail service station or a distributor that sells a biodiesel blend directly to the final user located in this state shall be allowed a tax credit to be taken against the retail dealer or distributor's state income tax liability. For any retail dealer or distributor with a tax year beginning prior to January 1, 2023, but ending during the 2023 calendar year, such retail dealer or distributor shall be allowed a tax credit for the amount of biodiesel blend sold during the portion of such tax year that occurs during the 2023 calendar year. The amount of the credit shall be equal to:
 - (1) Two cents per gallon of biodiesel blend of at least five percent but not more than ten percent sold by the retail dealer at a retail service station or by a distributor directly to the final user located in this state during the tax year for which the tax credit is claimed; and
 - (2) Five cents per gallon of biodiesel blend in excess of ten percent but not more than twenty percent sold by the retail dealer at a retail service station or by a distributor directly to the final user located in this state during the tax year for which the tax credit is claimed.
 - 3. Tax credits authorized under this section shall not be transferred, sold, or assigned. If the amount of the tax credit exceeds the taxpayer's state tax liability, the difference shall be refundable. The total amount of tax credits issued under this section for any given fiscal year shall not exceed sixteen million dollars.
 - 4. In the event the total amount of tax credits claimed under this section exceeds the amount of available tax credits, the tax credits shall be apportioned among all eligible retail dealers and distributors claiming a tax credit by April fifteenth, or as directed by section 143.851, of the fiscal year in which the tax credit is claimed.
- 5. The tax credit allowed by this section shall be claimed by such taxpayer at the time such taxpayer files a return and shall be applied against the income tax liability imposed by chapter 143, excluding the withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, after

- 51 reduction for all other credits allowed thereon. The department may require any 52 documentation it deems necessary to administer the provisions of this section.
 - 6. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, if the maximum amount of tax credits authorized by this section are not claimed, the remaining amount of tax credits available to claim shall be applied to the tax credit in section 135.778 if the maximum amount of tax credits authorized by section 135.778 have been claimed.
 - 7. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 32.057 to the contrary, the department may work with the division of weights and measures within the department of agriculture to validate that the biodiesel blend a retail dealer or distributor claims for the tax credit authorized under this section contains a sufficient percentage of biodiesel fuel.
 - 8. The department shall promulgate rules to implement and administer the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created pursuant to 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 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 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 January 2, 2023, shall be invalid and void.
 - 9. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:
 - (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset on December 31, 2028, unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly;
 - (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section; and
 - (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset. The termination of the program as described in this subsection shall not be construed to preclude any qualified taxpayer who claims any benefit under any program that is sunset under this subsection from claiming such benefit for all allowable activities related to such claim that were completed before the program was sunset or to eliminate any responsibility of the department to verify the continued eligibility of qualified individuals receiving tax credits and to enforce other requirements of law that applied before the program was sunset.
 - 135.778. 1. For the purposes of this section, the following terms shall mean:
- 2 (1) "Biodiesel fuel", a renewable, biodegradable, mono alkyl ester combustible liquid 3 fuel that is derived from agricultural and other plant oils or animal fats and that meets the

- 4 most recent version of the ASTM International D6751 Standard Specification for Biodiesel
- 5 Fuel Blend Stock. A fuel shall be deemed to be biodiesel fuel if the fuel consists of a pure
- 6 B100 or B99 ratio. Biodiesel produced from palm oil is not biodiesel fuel for the purposes of
- 7 this section unless the palm oil is contained within waste oil and grease collected within the
- 8 United States;
- 9 (2) "B99", a blend of ninety-nine percent biodiesel fuel that meets the most recent
- 10 version of the ASTM International D6751 Standard Specification for Biodiesel Fuel Blend
- 11 Stock with a minimum of one-tenth of one percent and maximum of one percent diesel fuel
- 12 that meets the most recent version of the ASTM International D975 Standard Specification
- 13 for Diesel Fuel;

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- (3) "Department", the Missouri department of revenue;
- 15 (4) "Missouri biodiesel producer", a person, firm, or corporation doing business in
- 16 this state that produces biodiesel fuel in this state, is registered with the United States
- 17 Environmental Protection Agency according to the requirements of 40 CFR Part 79, and has
- 18 begun construction on such facility or has been selling biodiesel fuel produced at such facility
- 19 on or before January 2, 2023.
- 20 2. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2023, a Missouri biodiesel
- 21 producer shall be allowed a tax credit to be taken against the producer's state income tax
- 22 liability. For any Missouri biodiesel producer with a tax year beginning prior to
- 23 January 1, 2023, but ending during the 2023 calendar year, such Missouri biodiesel
- 24 producer shall be allowed a tax credit for the amount of biodiesel fuel produced during
- 25 the portion of such tax year that occurs during the 2023 calendar year. The amount of
- 26 the tax credit shall be two cents per gallon of biodiesel fuel produced by the Missouri
- 27 biodiesel producer during the tax year for which the tax credit is claimed.
 - 3. Tax credits authorized under this section shall not be transferred, sold, or assigned.
- 29 If the amount of the tax credit exceeds the taxpayer's state tax liability, the difference shall be
- 30 refundable. The total amount of tax credits issued under this section for any given fiscal year
- 31 shall not exceed [four] five million five hundred thousand dollars, which shall be
- 32 authorized on a first-come first-served basis.
 - 4. [In the event the total amount of tax credits claimed under this section exceeds the
- 34 amount of available tax credits, the tax credits shall be apportioned among all eligible
- 35 Missouri biodiesel producers claiming the credit by April fifteenth, or as directed by section
- 36 143.851, of the fiscal year in which the tax credit is claimed.
- 37 5.1 The tax credit authorized under this section shall be claimed by such taxpayer at
- 38 the time such taxpayer files a return and shall be applied against the income tax liability
- 39 imposed by chapter 143, excluding the withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to

- 40 143.265, after reduction for all other credits allowed thereon. The department may require 41 any documentation it deems necessary to administer the provisions of this section.
 - [6.] 5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, if the maximum amount of tax credits authorized by this section are not claimed, the remaining amount of tax credits available to claim shall be applied to the tax credit in section 135.775 if the maximum amount of tax credits authorized by section 135.775 have been claimed.
 - [7:] 6. The department shall promulgate rules to implement and administer the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created pursuant to 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 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 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 January 2, 2023, shall be invalid and void.
 - [8.] 7. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:
- 56 (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset on December 31, 2028, unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly;
 - (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section; and
 - (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset. The termination of the program as described in this subsection shall not be construed to preclude any qualified taxpayer who claims any benefit under any program that is sunset under this subsection from claiming such benefit for all allowable activities related to such claim that were completed before the program was sunset, or to eliminate any responsibility of the department to verify the continued eligibility of qualified individuals receiving tax credits and to enforce other requirements of law that applied before the program was sunset.
 - 348.273. 1. This section and section 348.274 shall be known and may be cited as the "Missouri Angel Investment Incentive Act" and referred to herein as the "act".
 - 2. As used in this section and section 348.274, the following terms shall mean:
- 4 (1) "Cash investment", money or money equivalent contribution;
 - (2) "Department", the department of economic development;
- **(3)** "Investor":

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- (a) A natural person who is an accredited investor as defined under 17 CFR 8 230.501(a)(5) or 230.501(a)(6), as in effect on August 28, 2023;
- 9 (b) A permitted entity investor who is an accredited investor as defined under 17 CFR 230.501(a)(8), as in effect on August 28, 2023; or 10
- (c) A natural person or permitted entity investor making an investment who 12 qualifies under the Jumpstart Our Business Startups (JOBS) Act, Pub. L. No. 112-106, as in effect on August 28, 2023. The term "investor" shall not include any person who 14 serves as an executive, officer, or employee of the business in which an otherwise qualified cash investment is made, and such person shall not qualify for the issuance of tax credits for such investment. However, an investor who serves solely as a director may qualify for the issuance of tax credits;
- "MTC", the Missouri technology corporation, established under section 18 19 348.251;
 - "Owner", any natural person who is, directly or indirectly, a partner, stockholder, or member in a permitted entity investor;
 - (6) "Permitted entity investor", any general partnership, limited partnership, corporation that has in effect a valid election to be taxed as an S corporation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, revocable living trust, nonprofit corporation, or limited liability company that has elected to be taxed as a partnership under the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and that was established and is operated for the purpose of making investments in other entities;
 - (7) "Qualified knowledge-based company", a company engaged in the research, development, implementation, and commercialization of innovative technologies, products, and services for use in the commercial marketplace;
 - (8) "Qualified Missouri business", a Missouri business that is approved and certified as a qualified knowledge-based company by MTC that meets at least one of the following criteria:
 - (a) Any business owned by an individual;
 - (b) Any partnership, association, or corporation domiciled in Missouri; or
 - (c) Any corporation, even if a wholly owned subsidiary of a foreign corporation, that has its business operations located primarily in Missouri or does substantially all of such business's production in Missouri;
 - (9) "Qualified securities", a cash investment through any one or more forms of financial assistance as provided under this subdivision that has been approved in form and substance by MTC. Forms of such financial assistance may include:
 - (a) Any form of equity, which may include, but shall not be limited to:
 - a. A general or limited partnership interest;

- 44 b. Common stock;
 - c. Preferred stock, with or without voting rights, without regard to seniority position, and whether or not convertible into common stock; or
 - d. Any form of subordinate or convertible debt, or both, with warrants or other means of equity conversion attached; or
 - (b) A debt instrument, such as a note or debenture that is secured or unsecured, subordinated to the general creditors of the debtor and requiring no payments of principal, other than principal payments required to be made out of any future profits of the debtor, for at least a seven-year period after commencement of such debt instrument's term;
 - (10) "Tax credit", a credit against the tax otherwise due under chapter 143, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, or otherwise due under chapter 148 or 153.
 - 3. (1) For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2023, a tax credit shall be allowed for an investor's cash investment in the qualified securities of a qualified Missouri business. If the qualified Missouri business is located in a community described in subdivision (3) of subsection 2 of section 32.115, the credit shall be in a total amount equal to seventy percent of such investor's cash investment in such qualified Missouri business, subject to the limitations set forth in this subsection. Otherwise, the credit shall be in a total amount equal to fifty percent of such investor's cash investment in any qualified Missouri business, subject to the limitations set forth in this subsection. If the amount by which that portion of the credit allowed by this section exceeds the investor's tax liability in any one tax year, the remaining portion of the credit may be carried forward to any of the five subsequent tax years or until the total amount of the credit is used, whichever occurs first. If the investor is a permitted entity investor, the credit provided by this section shall be claimed by the owners of the permitted entity investor in proportion to their equity investment in the permitted entity investor.
 - (2) A cash investment in a qualified security shall be deemed to have been made on the date of acquisition of the qualified security, as such date is determined in accordance with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
 - (3) The department and MTC shall not allow tax credits of more than fifty thousand dollars for a single qualified Missouri business per investor who is a natural person or permitted entity investor, or a total of two hundred fifty thousand dollars in tax credits for a single year per investor who is a natural person or owner of a permitted entity investor. No tax credits authorized by this section and section 348.274 shall be allowed for any cash investments in qualified securities made in any year beginning after December 31, 2032. The total amount of tax credits allowed under this section

- shall not exceed six million dollars during the tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2023, and ending on or before December 31, 2024. For each tax year thereafter, the total amount of tax credits allowed under this section shall be increased by twenty percent of the total amount of tax credits allowed in the immediately preceding tax year, so long as the total amount of tax credits allowed in the immediately preceding tax year was issued during the immediately preceding tax year. The balance of unissued tax credits may be carried over for issuance in future years until December 31, 2032. The balance of unissued tax credits carried over, if any, shall not be used in the calculation of the total amount of tax credits allowed in a given tax year.
 - (4) At the beginning of each calendar year, MTC shall equally designate the total tax credits available during that calendar year to each geographic region comprised of the boundaries of each congressional district, as such boundaries may be amended from time to time, within Missouri.
 - (a) For any region that does not contain a community described in subdivision (3) of subsection 2 of section 32.115, at the beginning of each calendar quarter, MTC shall make available one-fourth of the total annual tax credits for each such region for investments made in qualified Missouri businesses located in each such region.
 - (b) For any region that contains a community described in subdivision (3) of subsection 2 of section 32.115, on January first and July first of each year, MTC shall make available one-half of the total annual tax credits for each such region for investments made in qualified Missouri businesses located in each such region.
 - (c) As soon as practicable at the end of each calendar quarter, MTC shall prepare and issue a report to the director of the department designating all tax credit awards for that quarter, so that the department may issue such tax credits in accordance with the provisions of this section and section 348.274. The report shall aggregate any unissued tax credits allocated to any region for any calendar quarter and divide such unissued tax credits equally over each other region and make such credits available for the following calendar quarter, which shall be in addition to the new allocation of tax credits available to that region for the calendar quarter. Except as set forth in subdivision (5) of this subsection, tax credits described in paragraph (b) of this subdivision shall not be eligible for reallocation until the end of the semi-annual period in which they were made available.
 - (5) During the fourth calendar quarter, any unissued tax credits allocated to any region, which shall include the aggregate tax credits that have been reallocated under the provisions of this subsection and any unissued tax credits allocated for the fourth quarter, may be awarded in any region.

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- 4. (1) Before an investor may be entitled to receive tax credits under this section and section 348.274, such investor shall have made a cash investment in a qualified security of a qualified Missouri business. The business shall have been approved as a qualified Missouri business before the date on which the cash investment was made. To be designated as a qualified Missouri business, a business shall apply to MTC in accordance with the provisions of this section.
 - (2) The application by a business shall be in the form and substance as required by MTC, in coordination with the department by and through its service on MTC board of directors, but shall include at least the following:
 - (a) The name of the business and certified copies of the organizational documents of the business;
 - (b) A business plan, including a description of the business and the management, product, market, and financial plan of the business;
 - (c) A statement of the potential economic impact of the business, including the number, location, and types of jobs expected to be created;
- 132 (d) A description of the qualified securities to be issued, the consideration to be 133 paid for the qualified securities, and the amount of any tax credits requested;
 - (e) A statement of the amount, timing, and projected use of the proceeds to be raised from the proposed sale of qualified securities; and
 - (f) Such other information as may be reasonably requested.
 - (3) The designation of a business as a qualified Missouri business shall be made by MTC, and such designation shall be renewed annually. A business shall be so designated if MTC determines, based upon the application submitted by the business and any additional information provided in connection with such application, that such business meets established criteria, including at least the following:
 - (a) The business shall not have had annual gross revenues of more than five million dollars in the most recent tax year of the business;
 - (b) Businesses that are not deemed to be bioscience businesses shall have been in operation for less than five years, and businesses deemed to be bioscience businesses shall have been in operation for less than ten years;
 - (c) The ability of investors in the business to receive tax credits for cash investments in qualified securities of the business is beneficial to advancing the goals of this section and section 348.274;
- 150 (d) The business shall not have ownership interests including, but not limited to, 151 common or preferred shares of stock that can be traded via a public stock exchange 152 before the date that a qualifying investment is made;

- 153 (e) The business shall not be engaged primarily in any one or more of the 154 following enterprises:
- 155 a. The business of banking, savings and loan or lending institutions, credit or finance, or financial brokerage or investments; 156
- 157 The provision of professional services, such as legal, accounting, or engineering services; however, contract research organizations and manufacturing 158 organizations, sometimes referred to as CROs or CMOs, shall not be subject to this 160 exclusion;
 - c. Governmental, charitable, religious, or trade organizations;
- 162 d. The ownership, development brokerage, sales, or leasing of real estate;
- 163 e. Insurance:

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- 164 f. Construction, construction management, or contracting;
- 165 g. Business consulting or brokerage;
- h. Any business engaged primarily as a passive business, having irregular or noncontiguous operations, or deriving substantially all of the income of the business 167 from passive investments that generate interest, dividends, royalties, or capital gains, or 169 any business arrangements, the effect of which is to immunize an investor from risk of 170 loss;
- 171 i. Any activity that is in violation of the law;
- 172 j. Any business raising money primarily to purchase real estate, land, or 173 fixtures: and
 - k. Any gambling-related business;
 - (f) The business has a reasonable chance of success;
- 176 (g) The business has the reasonable potential to create measurable employment 177 within the region, this state, or both;
- 178 (h) The business is based on an innovative technology, product, or service 179 designed to be used in the commercial marketplace;
- 180 (i) The existing owners of the business and other founders have made or are 181 committed to make a substantial financial or time commitment to the business;
 - (j) The securities to be issued and purchased are qualified securities;
 - The business has the reasonable potential to address the needs and opportunities specific to the region, this state, or both;
- 185 (1) The business has made binding commitments to MTC for adequate reporting 186 of financial data, including a requirement for an annual report, or, if required, an 187 annual audit of the financial and operational records of the business, the right of access to the financial records of the business, the right of the department and MTC to record 188 and publish normal and customary data and information related to the issuance of tax 189

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- 190 credits that are not otherwise determined to be trade or business secrets, and other such protections as may be in the best interest of Missouri taxpayers to achieve the goals of 192 this section and section 348.274; and
- 193 (m) The business shall satisfy all other requirements of this section and section 194 348.274.
- 195 (4) A qualified Missouri business shall have the burden of proof to demonstrate 196 the qualifications of the business under this section.
- (5) MTC may charge a fee to the recipient of any tax credits issued pursuant to 198 this section in an amount up to four percent of the amount of tax credits issued. Such 199 fee shall be paid by the recipient upon the issuance of the tax credits. MTC shall use the 200 fees collected pursuant to this subdivision to promote the goals of this section and section 348.274.
 - 348.274. 1. (1) MTC is authorized to allocate tax credits to qualified Missouri 2 businesses, and the department is authorized to issue tax credits to qualified investors in 3 such qualified Missouri businesses. Such tax credits shall be allocated to those qualified 4 Missouri businesses that, as determined by MTC, are most likely to provide the greatest 5 economic benefit to the region, the state, or both. MTC may allocate, and the 6 department may issue, whole or partial tax credits in accordance with the report issued 7 to the director of the department based on MTC's assessment of the qualified Missouri 8 businesses. MTC may consider numerous factors in such assessment including, but not 9 limited to, the quality and experience of the management team, the size of the estimated market opportunity, the risk from current or future competition, the ability to defend intellectual property, the quality and utility of the business model, and the quality and 12 reasonableness of financial projections for the business.
 - (2) Each qualified Missouri business, for which MTC has allocated tax credits such that the department can issue tax credits to the qualified investors of such qualified Missouri business, shall submit to MTC a report before such tax credits are issued. Such report shall include the following:
 - (a) The name, address, and taxpayer identification number of each investor who has made a cash investment in the qualified securities of the qualified Missouri business;
 - Proof of such investment, including copies of the securities' purchase agreements and cancelled checks or wire transfer receipts; and
 - 21 (c) Such other information as may be reasonably required under section 348.273 and this section. 22
 - 23 2. (1) The state of Missouri shall not be held liable for any damages to any investor that makes an investment in any qualified security of a qualified Missouri 24 business, any business that applies to be designated as a qualified Missouri business and 25

is turned down, or any investor that makes an investment in a business that applies to be designated as a qualified Missouri business and is turned down.

- (2) Each qualified Missouri business shall have the obligation to notify MTC, which shall notify the director of the department, of any changes in the qualifications of the business or in the eligibility of investors to claim a tax credit for cash investment in a qualified security.
- (3) The director of the department, in cooperation with MTC, shall provide the information specified under subdivision (3) of subsection 4 of this section to the director of the department of revenue on an annual basis. MTC shall conduct an annual review of the activities undertaken under this section and section 348.273 to ensure that tax credits issued under this section and section 348.273 are issued in compliance with the provisions of this section and section 348.273 or rules and regulations promulgated by MTC or the department with respect to this section and section 348.273. The reasonable costs of the annual review shall be paid by MTC according to a reasonable fee schedule adopted by MTC in cooperation with the department by and through its service on MTC board of directors.
- (4) If MTC determines that a business is not in substantial compliance with the requirements under this section and section 348.273 to maintain its designation, the department or MTC, by written notice, may inform the business that such business will lose its designation as a qualified Missouri business one hundred twenty days from the date of mailing of the notice unless such business corrects the deficiencies and is once again in compliance with the requirements for designation.
- (5) At the end of the one hundred twenty-day period, if the qualified Missouri business is still not in substantial compliance, the department or MTC may send a notice of loss of designation to the business, the director of the department of revenue, and to all known investors in the business.
- (6) A business may lose its designation as a qualified Missouri business under this section and section 348.273 by moving either its headquarters or a substantial number of the jobs created in Missouri to a location outside Missouri within ten years after receiving financial assistance under this section and section 348.273.
- (7) In the event that a business loses its designation as a qualified Missouri business, such business shall be precluded from being issued any additional tax credits with respect to the business, shall be precluded from being approved as a qualified Missouri business, and shall be subject to an appropriate clawback provision that MTC, in cooperation with the department by and through its service on MTC board of directors, provides for in connection with the administration of section 348.273 and this section.

- 63 (8) Investors in a qualified Missouri business shall be entitled to keep all of the 64 tax credits properly issued to such investors under this section and section 348.273.
 - (9) The portions of documents and other materials submitted to the department or MTC that contain confidential information shall be kept confidential and shall be maintained in a secured environment. For the purposes of this section and section 348.273, confidential information may include, but not be limited to, such portions of trade secrets, documents, any customer lists, and other materials; any formula, compound, production data, or compilation of information that will allow certain individuals within a commercial concern using such portions of documents and other material the means to fabricate, produce, or compound an article of trade; or any service having commercial value which gives the user an opportunity to obtain a business advantage over competitors who do not know or use such service.
 - (10) The department and MTC may prepare and adopt procedures and rules and publish guidelines concerning the performance of the duties placed upon each respective entity by this section and section 348.273. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, 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 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 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, 2023, shall be invalid and void.
 - 3. Any qualified investor who makes a cash investment in a qualified security of a qualified Missouri business may transfer the tax credits such qualified investor may receive under subsection 3 of section 348.273 to any natural person. Such transferee may claim the tax credit against the transferee's Missouri income tax liability as provided in subdivision (1) of subsection 3 of section 348.273, subject to all restrictions and limitations set forth in this section and section 348.273. Documentation of any tax credit transfer under this section shall be provided by the qualified investor in the manner established by MTC and the department, by and through its service on MTC board of directors.
 - 4. (1) Each qualified Missouri business for which tax credits were issued under this section and section 348.273 shall report to MTC on an annual basis, on or before February first. MTC shall provide copies of the reports to the department under appropriate confidentiality agreements as may be necessary under the circumstances. Such reports shall include the following:

- 99 (a) The name, address, and taxpayer identification number of each investor who 100 has made a cash investment in the qualified securities of the qualified Missouri business 101 and has received tax credits for this investment during the preceding year;
 - (b) The amounts of cash investments by each investor and a description of the qualified securities issued in consideration of such cash investments; and
 - (c) Such other information as may be reasonably required under section 348.273 and this section.
 - (2) MTC shall report quarterly to the director of the department on the allocation of the tax credits in the preceding calendar quarter. Such reports shall include:
 - (a) The amount of applications received;
 - (b) The number and ratio of successful applications to unsuccessful applications;
 - (c) The amount of tax credits allocated but not issued in the previous quarter, including what percentage was allocated to individuals and what percentage was allocated to investment firms; and
 - (d) Such other information as reasonably agreed upon from time to time.
 - (3) MTC and the department, as applicable, shall also report annually to the governor, the director of the department of economic development, the president pro tempore of the senate, and the speaker of the house of representatives, on or before April first, on the allocation and issuance of the tax credits. Such reports shall include:
 - (a) The amount of tax credits issued in the previous fiscal year, including what percentage was issued to individuals and what percentage was issued to investment firms;
 - (b) The types of businesses that benefitted from the tax credits;
 - (c) The amount of allocated but unissued tax credits and the information about the unissued tax credits set forth in subdivision (2) of this subsection;
 - (d) Any aggregate job creation or capital investment in the region that resulted from the use of the tax credits for a period of five years beginning from the date on which the tax credits were awarded;
 - (e) The manner in which the purpose of this section and section 348.273 has been carried out with regard to a region;
 - (f) The total cash investments made for the purchase of qualified securities of qualified Missouri businesses within each region during the preceding year and cumulatively since the effective date of this section and section 348.273;
- 133 (g) An estimate of jobs created and jobs preserved by cash investments made in qualified Missouri businesses within each region;

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- 135 (h) An estimate of the multiplier effect on the economy of each region of the cash 136 investments made under this section and section 348.273; and
 - (i) Information regarding what businesses deriving benefits from the tax credits remained in the region, what businesses ceased business, what businesses were purchased, and what businesses may have moved out of a region or the state.
 - (4) Any violation of the reporting requirements of this subsection by a qualified Missouri business may be grounds for the loss of designation of such qualified Missouri business, and any such business that loses its designation as a qualified Missouri business shall be subject to the restrictions upon loss of designation set forth in subsection 2 of this section.
 - 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:
 - (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under section 348.273 and this section shall automatically sunset December 31, 2032, unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly;
 - (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under section 348.273 and this section shall automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization.
 - (3) Section 348.273 and this section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under section 348.273 and this section are sunset.
 - (4) The provisions of this subsection shall not be construed to limit or in any way impair the department of revenue's ability to redeem tax credits authorized on or before the date the program authorized pursuant to this section and section 348.273 expires or a taxpayer's ability to redeem such tax credits.
 - 620.3500. Sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 shall be known and may be cited as the "Missouri Rural Access to Capital Act".
 - 620.3505. As used in sections 620.3500 to 620.3530, the following terms shall 2 mean:
 - "Affiliate", an entity that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with another entity. An entity is controlled by another entity if the controlling entity holds, directly or indirectly, the majority voting or ownership interest in the controlled entity or has control over day-to-day operations of the controlled entity by contract or by law;
 - (2) "Affiliate capital", capital raised by the rural investor directly or indirectly 9 from sources, including leverage sources, directors, members, employees, officers, and 10 affiliates of the rural investor, other than the amount invested by the allocatee claiming the tax credits in exchange for such allocation of tax credits;

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- 12 (3) "Agribusiness", a business that produces or provides any goods or services 13 produced in this state normally used by farmers, ranchers, or producers and harvesters 14 of aquatic products in their business operations, or to improve the welfare or livelihood 15 of such persons, or is involved in the processing and marketing of agricultural products, 16 farm supplies, and input suppliers, or is engaged in agribusiness as defined by the 17 United States Department of Agriculture, or if not engaged in such industries, the 18 department determines that such investment will be beneficial to the rural area and the 19 economic growth of the state;
 - (4) "Applicable percentage", zero percent for the initial credit allowance date and the second credit allowance date, and fifteen percent for the next four credit allowance dates:
 - (5) "Base employment", the total number of qualified employees receiving taxable wages from the eligible business in the tax year preceding the date of the initial capital investment;
 - (6) "Base payroll", the total amount of taxable wages paid by the eligible business to qualified employees in the tax year preceding the date of the initial capital investment;
 - (7) "Base revenue", the total net revenue earned by the eligible business in the tax year preceding the date of the initial capital investment;
 - (8) "Base taxable sales", the taxable sales of the eligible business in the tax year preceding the date of the initial investment;
- 33 (9) "Capital investment", any equity investment in a rural fund by a rural 34 investor which:
 - (a) Is acquired after the effective date of sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 at its original issuance solely in exchange for cash;
 - (b) Has one hundred percent of its cash purchase price used by the rural fund to make qualified investments in eligible businesses located in this state by the third credit allowance date; and
 - (c) Is designated by the rural fund as a capital investment under sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 and is certified by the department under the provisions of section 620.3510. This shall include any capital investment that does not meet the provisions of subdivision (1) of subsection 1 of section 620.3510 if such investment was a capital investment in the hands of a prior holder;
- 45 (10) "Credit allowance date", the anniversary of the initial credit allowance 46 date;
 - (11) "Department", the Missouri department of economic development;

- 48 (12) "Eligible business", a business that, at the time of the initial qualified 49 investment in the business:
 - (a) Has fewer than two hundred fifty employees;
- 51 (b) Has its principal business operations in this state;
- 52 (c) Is engaged in North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) 53 Sectors 11, 21, 22, 31-33, 48-49, 62, or 811, or, if not engaged in such industries, the 54 department determines that such investment will be beneficial to the rural area and 55 economic growth of the state;
 - (d) Does not knowingly employ any individual who is unlawfully present in this country; and
 - (e) Is located or has committed to locate in a rural area in this state.

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- 60 Any business which is classified as an eligible business at the time of the initial investment in such business by a rural fund shall remain classified as an eligible 62 business and may receive follow-on investments from any rural fund, and such followon investments shall be qualified investments even though such business may not meet paragraph (a) of this subdivision at the time of such investments;
 - (13) "Full-time employee", an employee of an eligible business who is scheduled to work an average of at least thirty-five hours per week for a twelve-month period;
 - (14) "Initial credit allowance date", the date on which the department certifies a rural fund's capital investment;
- 69 (15) "Leverage source", third party capital raised as debt from a depository institution; 70
 - (16) "Maintained job", the number of qualified employees at the eligible business at or below base employment;
- (17) "Maintained payroll", the total taxable wages paid by the eligible business 74 to qualified employees at or below base payroll;
- 75 (18) "Maintained revenue", the total revenue earned by the eligible business at 76 or below base revenue;
- (19) "Maintained taxable sales", the total taxable sales of the eligible business at 78 or below base taxable sales;
- 79 (20) "New jobs", the number of qualified employees at the eligible business less 80 the eligible business' base employment;
- 81 (21) "New payroll", the amount of taxable wages paid to qualified employees at 82 the eligible business less the eligible business' base payroll;
- 83 (22) "New revenue", the total revenue earned by the eligible business less the eligible business' base revenue;

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- 85 (23) "New taxable sales", the total taxable sales of the eligible business less the eligible business' base taxable sales; 86
 - (24) "Principal business operations", the location where at least sixty percent of a business's employees work or where employees who are paid at least sixty percent of such business's payroll work. A business that has agreed to relocate employees using the proceeds of a qualified investment to establish its principal business operations in a new location shall be deemed to have its principal business operations in such new location if it satisfied the requirements of this subdivision no later than one hundred eighty days after receiving a qualified investment;
 - (25) "Purchase price", the amount paid to the rural fund that issues a capital investment which shall not exceed the amount of capital investment authority certified under the provisions of section 620.3510;
 - (26) "Qualified employee", an employee of an eligible business who is scheduled to work an average of at least thirty-five hours per week for a twelve-month period or meets the customary practices accepted by that industry as full time;
- (27) "Qualified investment", any investment in an eligible business or any loan to an eligible business with a stated maturity date of at least one year after the date of issuance, excluding revolving lines of credit and senior secured debt unless the chief executive or similar officer of the eligible business certifies that the eligible business sought and was denied similar financing from a depository institution, by a rural fund; provided that, with respect to any one eligible business, the maximum amount of 106 investments made in such business by one or more rural funds, on a collective basis with all of the businesses' affiliates, with the proceeds of capital investments shall be the greater of twenty percent of the rural fund's capital investment authority or six million five hundred thousand dollars, exclusive of investments made with repaid or redeemed investments or interest or profits realized thereon;
 - (28) "Rural area", any area of this state that is set out in the United States Department of Agriculture census places map as published by the United States Department of Agriculture with a census place population of less than fifty thousand inhabitants;
- 115 (29) "Rural fund", an entity certified by the department under the provisions of section 620.3510; 116
 - (30) "Rural investor", an entity that makes a capital investment in a rural fund;
- (31) "Senior secured debt", any loan that is secured by a first mortgage on real 119 estate with a loan-to-value ratio of less than eighty percent;
- 120 (32) "State sharing ratio", the ratio equal to the sum of the actual and projected 121 direct and indirect state and local tax benefits following a rural fund's qualified

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- investments in eligible businesses, including, but not limited to, the state and local tax benefits from new jobs, maintained jobs, new payroll, maintained payroll, new revenue, maintained revenue, new taxable sales, and maintained taxable sales, which direct and indirect state and local tax benefits shall be determined using a nationally recognized dynamic economic forecasting model, divided by the amount of tax credits earned by the rural investor of such rural fund. The economic forecasting model used at the beginning of the program shall be the same model used for the remainder of the program and shall project state and local tax benefits for a minimum of ten years;
 - (33) "State tax liability", any liability incurred by any entity subject to the state income tax imposed under chapter 143, excluding withholding tax imposed under sections 143.191 to 143.265, or an insurance company paying an annual tax on its gross premium receipts, including retaliatory tax, or other financial institution paying taxes to the state or any political subdivision of the state under the provisions of chapter 148, or an express company which pays an annual tax on its gross receipts in this state;
 - (34) "Taxable sales", taxable sales as reported to the Missouri department of revenue, calculated as set forth in sections 144.010 to 144.525;
 - (35) "Third party capital", the difference between the rural fund's capital investment and the sum of the amount invested by the allocatee claiming the tax credits and the affiliate capital.
 - 620.3510. 1. A rural fund that seeks to have an equity investment certified as a capital investment eligible for credits authorized under the provisions of sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 shall apply to the department. The department shall begin accepting applications within ninety days of the effective date of sections 620.3500 to 620.3530. The application shall include:
 - (1) The amount of capital investment requested;
 - (2) A copy of the applicant's or an affiliate of the applicant's license as a rural business investment company under 7 U.S.C. Section 2009cc or as a small business investment company under 15 U.S.C. Section 681 and a certificate executed by an executive officer of the applicant attesting that such license remains in effect and has not been revoked;
 - (3) Evidence that, as of the date the application is submitted, the applicant or affiliates of the applicant have invested:
 - 14 (a) At least one hundred million dollars in nonpublic companies located in 15 counties within the United States with a population of less than fifty thousand according 16 to the 2020 decennial census of the United States; and
 - (b) At least thirty million dollars in nonpublic companies located in Missouri;

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- (4) A business plan that includes a revenue impact assessment projecting state and local tax revenue to be generated by the applicant's proposed qualified investments, 20 prepared by a nationally recognized, third-party, independent economic forecasting firm using the same dynamic economic forecasting model used to calculate the state 22 sharing ratio that analyzes the applicant's business plan in yearly increments over the ten years following the date the application is submitted to the department. Such plan 23 24 shall include an estimate of the new and maintained jobs, new and maintained payroll, new and maintained revenue, and new and maintained taxable sales in this state as a result of the applicant's qualified investments; and
 - (5) A nonrefundable application fee of five thousand dollars payable to the department.
 - 2. Within sixty days after the receipt of a completed application, the department shall grant or deny the application in full or in part. The department shall deny the application if:
 - (1) The applicant does not satisfy all of the criteria provided under subsection 1 of this section:
 - (2) The revenue impact assessment submitted with the application does not demonstrate that the applicant's business plan will result in a positive fiscal impact on this state over a ten-year period that exceeds the cumulative amount of tax credits that would be issued to the applicant if the application were approved; or
 - (3) The department has already approved the maximum amount of capital investment authority under section 620.3515.
 - 3. If the department denies any part of the application, it shall inform the applicant of the grounds for such denial. If the applicant provides any additional information required by the department or otherwise completes its application within fifteen days of the notice of denial, the application shall be considered complete as of the original date of resubmission. If the applicant fails to provide the information or fails to complete its application within the fifteen-day period, the application shall remain denied and shall be resubmitted in full with a new submission date and a new application fee.
 - 4. Upon approval of an application, the department shall certify the proposed equity investment as a capital investment eligible for credits under sections 620.3500 to 620.3530, subject to the limitations contained in section 620.3515. The department shall provide written notice of the certification to the applicant, which shall include the amount of the applicant's capital investment authority. The department shall certify capital investments in the order that the applications are received by the department. Applications received on the same day shall be deemed to have been received

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simultaneously. For applications that are complete and received on the same day, the department shall certify applications in proportionate percentages based upon the ratio 56 57 of the amount of capital investment authority requested in an application to the total 58 amount of capital investment authority requested in all applications.

620.3515. 1. The department shall certify capital investment authority under the provisions of sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 in amounts that would authorize not more than sixteen million dollars in state tax credits to be claimed against state tax liability in 4 any calendar year, excluding any credit amounts carried forward as provided under subsection 1 of section 620.3520. Within ninety days of the applicant receiving notice of 6 certification, the rural fund shall issue the capital investment to, and receive cash in the amount of the certified amount from, a rural investor. At least ten percent of the rural investor's capital investment shall be composed of affiliate capital. The rural fund shall provide the department with evidence of the receipt of the cash investment within ninety-five days of the applicant receiving notice of certification. Such evidence shall include details of the third-party capital raised, including from any leverage source.

- 2. If the rural fund does not receive the cash investment and issue the capital investment within such time period following receipt of the certification notice, the certification shall lapse and the rural fund shall not issue the capital investment without reapplying to the department for certification. Lapsed certifications shall revert to the department and shall be reissued pro rata to applicants whose capital investment allocations were reduced during the immediately preceding application cycle in accordance with the application process provided under subsection 4 of section 620.3510. Any lapsed certification not reissued within the same calendar year as the lapsed certification was issued shall not be reissued.
- 3. A rural fund, before making a qualified investment, may request from the department a written opinion as to whether the business in which it proposes to invest is an eligible business. Such request shall be on a form developed by the department to be completed by the eligible business and the rural fund. If the department fails to notify the rural fund of its determination by the twentieth business day following its receipt of the completed form and all information necessary to form its opinion, the business in which the rural fund proposes to invest shall be deemed an eligible business.

620.3520. 1. Upon making a capital investment in a rural fund, a rural investor 2 shall have a vested right to earn a tax credit that will be issued by the department that may be used against such entity's state tax liability that may be utilized on each credit allowance date of such capital investment in an amount equal to the applicable percentage for such credit allowance date multiplied by the purchase price paid to the 6 rural fund for the capital investment. The amount of the credit claimed by a rural

- investor shall not exceed the amount of such entity's state tax liability for the tax year for which the credit is claimed. Any amount of credit that a rural investor is prohibited from claiming in a taxable year as a result of this section may be carried forward for use in any of the five subsequent taxable years, and shall not be carried back to prior taxable years. A rural investor claiming a credit under the provisions of sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 shall not incur any additional tax that may arise as a result of claiming such credit.
 - 2. No credit claimed under the provisions of sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 shall be refundable or sellable on the open market. Credits earned by or allocated to a partnership, limited liability company, or S-corporation may be allocated to the partners, members, or shareholders of such entity for their direct use in accordance with the provisions of any agreement among such partners, members, or shareholders, and a rural fund shall notify the department of the names of the entities that are eligible to utilize credits pursuant to an allocation of credits or a change in allocation of credits, or due to a transfer of a capital investment upon such allocation, change, or transfer. Such allocation shall not be considered a sale for the purposes of this section.
 - 3. The department may recapture credits from a taxpayer that claimed a credit authorized under this section if:
 - (1) The rural fund does not invest sixty percent of its capital investment authority in qualified investments in this state within two years of the credit allowance date, and one hundred percent of its capital investment authority in qualified investments in this state within three years of the credit allowance date, provided that at least seventy percent of such initial qualified investments shall be made in eligible businesses located in rural areas or eligible businesses that are also agribusinesses. In no event shall more than thirty percent of such initial qualified investments be made in eligible businesses located outside of a rural area;
 - (2) The rural fund fails to maintain qualified investments equal to ninety percent of its capital investment authority from the third until the sixth credit allowance date, with seventy percent of such investments maintained in eligible businesses located in rural areas or eligible businesses that are also agribusinesses, provided that in no event shall more than thirty percent of such qualified investments be made in eligible businesses located outside of a rural area. For each year the rural fund fails to maintain such investments, the department may recapture an amount of such year's allowed credits equal to the percentage difference between ninety percent of a rural fund's capital investment authority and the actual amount of qualified investments maintained for such year. For the purposes of this subdivision, a qualified investment is considered maintained even if the qualified investment was sold or repaid so long as the rural fund

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44 reinvests an amount equal to the capital returned or recovered by the rural fund from the original investment, exclusive of any profits realized, in other qualified investments 45 46 in this state within twelve months of the receipt of such capital. Amounts received 47 periodically by a rural fund shall be treated as continually invested in qualified 48 investments if the amounts are reinvested in one or more qualified investments by the 49 end of the following calendar year. A rural fund shall not be required to reinvest capital returned from qualified investments after the fifth credit allowance date, and such 51 qualified investments shall be considered held continuously by the rural fund through 52 the sixth credit allowance date;

- (3) The rural fund, before exiting the program in accordance with sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 or prior to thirty days after the sixth credit allowance date, whichever is earlier, makes a distribution or payment that results in the rural fund having less than one hundred percent of its capital investment authority invested in qualified investments in this state or held in cash or other marketable securities; or
- (4) The rural fund violates the provisions of section 620.3525, in which case the department may recapture an amount equal to the amount of a rural fund's capital investment authority found to be in violation of such provisions.

62 For the purposes of meeting and maintaining the objectives established for investment in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection, a rural fund's qualified investments shall be multiplied by a factor of one and a quarter in counties with less than thirty thousand in population and more than thirteen thousand in population and shall be multiplied by a factor of one and a half in counties with a population of thirteen thousand or less according to the most recent decennial census.

4. No recapture shall occur until the rural fund has been given notice of noncompliance and afforded six months from the date of such notice to cure the noncompliance.

620.3525. No eligible business that receives a qualified investment under the provisions of sections 620.3500 to 620.3530, or any affiliates of such eligible businesses, shall directly or indirectly:

- (1) Own or have the right to acquire an ownership interest in a rural fund or member or affiliate of a rural fund, including, but not limited to, a holder of a capital investment issued by the rural fund; or
- (2) Loan to or invest in a rural fund or member or affiliate of a rural fund, including, but not limited to, a holder of a capital investment issued by a rural fund, 9 where the proceeds of such loan or investment are directly or indirectly used to fund or 10 refinance the purchase of a capital investment under sections 620.3500 to 620.3530.

620.3530. 1. Rural funds shall submit a report to the department within the first fifteen business days after the second and third credit allowance date. The report following the second credit allowance date shall provide documentation as to the investment of sixty percent of the purchase price of such capital investment in qualified investments. The report following the third credit allowance date shall provide documentation as to the investment of one hundred percent of the purchase price of such capital investment in qualified investments. For all subsequent years, rural funds shall submit an annual report to the department within ninety days of the beginning of the calendar year during the compliance period. Unless previously reported pursuant to this subsection, such reports shall also include:

- **(1)** The name and location of each eligible business receiving a qualified 12 investment;
 - (2) Bank statements of such rural fund evidencing each qualified investment;
 - (3) A copy of the written opinion of the department, as provided in subsection 3 of section 620.3515, or evidence that such business was an eligible business at the time of such qualified investment, as applicable;
 - (4) The total number of new jobs, maintained jobs, new payroll, maintained payroll, new revenue, and maintained revenue by each eligible business receiving a qualified investment from a rural fund; and
 - (5) Such other information as required by the department.
 - 2. The program authorized pursuant to sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 shall be considered a business recruitment tax credit under subdivision (4) of subsection 2 of section 135.800, and any rural fund approved under this program shall be subject to the provisions of sections 135.800 to 135.830.
 - 3. On or after the sixth anniversary of the initial credit allowance date, a rural fund may apply to the department to exit the program and no longer be subject to regulation under the provisions of sections 620.3500 to 620.3530. Such request shall be on a form developed by the department to be completed by the rural fund. The department shall respond to the exit application within thirty days of receipt of the completed form. In evaluating the exit application, the fact that no credits have been recaptured and that the rural fund has not received a notice of recapture that has not been cured pursuant to subsection 4 of section 620.3520 shall be sufficient evidence to prove that the rural fund is eligible for exit. The department shall not unreasonably deny, delay, or withhold its determination of an exit application submitted under this subsection. If the exit application is denied, the notice shall include the reasons for such determination.

- 4. Upon exit from the program in accordance with subsection 3 of this section, in the event the state sharing ratio is less than one, the state shall receive a share of distributions made with respect to the capital investment raised by the rural fund equal to one minus the state sharing ratio multiplied by the amount of tax credits earned by the rural investor of such rural fund, provided the rural fund may make distributions to make payments on the leverage source in an amount not to exceed principal and interest owed on the leverage source.
 - 5. Pursuant to section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:
 - (1) The program authorized under sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 shall expire on August 28, 2029, unless reauthorized by the general assembly; and
 - (2) Sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 is sunset; and
 - (3) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 shall automatically sunset six years after the effective date of the reauthorization of sections 620.3500 to 620.3530; and
 - (4) Nothing in this subsection shall preclude a rural fund that has received certified capital investment authority from the department prior to the expiration of sections 620.3500 to 620.3530 from issuing the capital investment pursuant to that authority in accordance with sections 620.3500 to 620.3530.
 - 6. The department may adopt such rules, statements of policy, procedures, forms, and guidelines as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of sections 620.3500 to 620.3530. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, 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 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 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, 2023, shall be invalid and void.
- Section B. The enactment of section 135.753 of section A of this act shall become 2 effective January 1, 2024.

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