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103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR MOON.

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KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

## AN ACT

To repeal section 143.161, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to an income tax exemption for certain dependents.

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

Section A. Section 143.161, RSMo, is repealed and one new  
2 section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 143.161,  
3 to read as follows:

143.161. 1. For all taxable years beginning after  
2 December 31, 1997, a resident may deduct one thousand two  
3 hundred dollars for each dependent for whom such resident is  
4 entitled to a dependency exemption deduction for federal  
5 income tax purposes, provided that the exemption amount as  
6 defined under 26 U.S.C. Section 151 is not zero. In the  
7 case of a dependent who has attained sixty-five years of age  
8 on or before the last day of the taxable year, if such  
9 dependent resides in the taxpayer's home or the dependent's  
10 own home or if such dependent does not receive Medicaid or  
11 state funding while residing in a facility licensed pursuant  
12 to chapter 198, the taxpayer may deduct an additional one  
13 thousand dollars.

2. For all taxable years beginning on or after January  
15 1, 1999, a resident who qualifies as an unmarried head of  
16 household or as a surviving spouse for federal income tax  
17 purposes may deduct an additional one thousand four hundred  
18 dollars.

19           3. For all taxable years beginning on or after January  
20 1, 2015, for each birth for which a certificate of birth  
21 resulting in stillbirth has been issued under section  
22 193.165, a taxpayer may claim the exemption under subsection  
23 1 of this section only in the taxable year in which the  
24 stillbirth occurred, if the child otherwise would have been  
25 a member of the taxpayer's household.

26           4. (1) In addition to the exemptions provided for  
27 pursuant to subsections 1 to 3 of this section, for all tax  
28 years beginning on or after January 1, 2026, a taxpayer may  
29 deduct two thousand four hundred dollars for each child to  
30 which a taxpayer gives birth during the tax year and for  
31 which the taxpayer is entitled to a dependency exemption for  
32 federal income tax purposes, regardless of whether the  
33 exemption amount as defined under 26 U.S.C. Section 151 is  
34 zero.

35           (2) A deduction authorized pursuant to this subsection  
36 shall only be made during the tax year in which the taxpayer  
37 gives birth to a child for which the taxpayer is entitled to  
38 the deduction provided in subdivision (1) of this subsection  
39 and shall only be made for the child to which the taxpayer  
40 gives birth during the tax year.

41           (3) A taxpayer shall not be eligible to claim a  
42 deduction pursuant to this subsection and subsection 1 or 3  
43 of this section for the same child.

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