COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4478S.011
Bill No.: SB 961
Subject: Tax Credits; Entertainment, Sports and Amusements
Type: Original
Date: March 4, 2022

Bill Summary: This proposal establishes the "Entertainment Industry Jobs Act".

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	
General Revenue	\$0	Up to	Up to	
Fund*		(\$8,090,870)	(\$8,079,578)	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on General	\$0	Up to	Up to	
Revenue		(\$8,090,870)	(\$8,079,578)	

*Oversight notes that Section 135.753.6. (1) allows up to an additional \$2 million in tax credits to be issued beyond the \$8 million cap in any given year. Therefore, the total tax credits issued in a given year could reach \$10 million. Conversely, the subsequent year shall be reduced by the amount of additional tax credits authorized (perhaps reducing the next year's cap down to \$6 million in issuances).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on Other State				
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on <u>All</u> Federal				
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	
General Revenue	0 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	
Fund				
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on FTE	0 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE	

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

□ Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** note:

This proposal creates the Entertainment Industry Jobs Act, which provides tax credits for businesses in the entertainment industry.

This proposal provides that the maximum amount of tax credits authorized under this section is eight million dollars (\$8,000,000) per fiscal year. If this amount is exceeded, the department of economic development may, at its own discretion, increase this amount by up to two million additional dollars. If it does this, the amount it was increased by must be subtracted from the amount of credits authorized in the subsequent year. There are limits on the amount any one individual can receive in tax credits.

This would be a new income tax credit and it would be added to the MO-TC form and information about the credit would be added to DOR's website and changes would be needed in the individual income tax system. DOR notes the costs to update these items is \$3,596.50. DOR will need the following FTE should the number of credits redeemed justify the FTE.

1 FTE Revenue Processing Technician for every 6,000 credits redeemed

Oversight assumes, for purpose of this fiscal note, the Missouri Department of Revenue can absorb the responsibilities of the tax credit program with existing resources. Should a significant increase in tax credit redemptions, tax credit transfers, and/or errors/correspondence occur, the Missouri Department of Revenue may seek additional FTE through the appropriation process.

Officials from the Office of Administration – Budget & Planning (B&P) assume:

This proposal creates a tax credit for rehearsal expenses and tour expenses for all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2023. The amount of the tax credit shall be equal to thirty percent of the taxpayer's base investment, subject to limitations as outlined in the proposal. This credit is not refundable, can be carried forward to any of the taxpayer's five subsequent taxable years. These credits can be transferred or sold in whole or in part, provided that the tax credit is transferred or sold to another Missouri taxpayer.

The amount of tax credits available for this program is \$8M. If the amount of tax credits applied for by taxpayers exceeds such amount, the DED may authorize additional tax credits in an amount not to exceed \$2M, 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

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credits authorized. Therefore, this proposal could lower general revenues by an average of up to \$8M beginning in FY2024.

However, in any given fiscal year, the amount could be up to or could exceed \$10M. This provision could impact TSR and the calculation under Article X, Section 18(e).

Officials from the **Department of Economic Development (DED)** note:

<u>Section 135.753</u> creates the "Entertainment Industry Jobs Act". Allows a tax credit for rehearsal expenses and tour expenses equal to 30% of the base investment. Base investment is defined as the aggregate funds actually invested and expended by a MO taxpayer as a rehearsal expense or tour expense.

The total amount of tax credits that may be authorized shall not exceed \$8M per fiscal year. DED, at its discretion may authorize additional tax credits up to \$2M per fiscal year; however, the amount of tax credits that may be authorized during the subsequent fiscal year shall be reduced by the amount of additional tax credits DED authorizes.

The program will automatically sunset on 12/31/2029 unless reauthorized.

DED will need to hire 1.0 FTE Economic Development Specialist (\$43,566) to administer the act.

Oversight notes section B authorizes the program as of July 1st 2023. Therefore, Oversight will reflect 1 FTE beginning FY 2024 in the fiscal note.

Officials from the **Department of Commerce and Insurance (DCI)** assumed this proposal has a potential in an unknown decrease of premium tax revenues (up to the tax credit limit established in the bill) in FY2024 and FY2025, as a result of the creation of the Entertainment Industry Jobs Act tax credit. Premium tax revenue is split 50/50 between General Revenue and County Foreign Insurance Fund except for domestic Stock Property and Casualty Companies who pay premium tax to the County Stock Fund. The County Foreign Insurance Fund is later distributed to school districts throughout the state. County Stock Funds are later distributed to the school district and county treasurer of the county in which the principal office of the insurer is located. It is unknown how each of these funds may be impacted by tax credits each year and which insurers will qualify for the new tax credit.

The department will require minimal contract computer programming to add this new tax credit to the premium tax database and can do so under existing appropriation. However, should multiple bills pass that would require additional updates to the premium tax database, the department may need to request more expense and equipment appropriation through the budget process.

Oversight notes the officials from the DCI assumed the proposal will have no administrative impact on their organization. **Oversight** assumes DCI is provided with core funding to handle a

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certain amount of activity each year. Oversight assumes DCI could absorb the costs related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require additional staffing and duties at substantial costs, DCI could request funding through the appropriation process. Therefore, **Oversight** will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for DCI.

FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
	Up to	Up to
\$0	(\$8,000,000)	(\$8,000,000)
\$0	(\$44,437)	(\$45,326)
\$0	(\$29,692)	(\$29,990)
\$0	(\$16,741)	(\$4,261)
\$0	(\$90,870)	(\$79,578)
	1 FTE	1 FTE
<u>\$0</u>	<u>Up to</u> (\$8,090,870)	<u>Up to</u> (\$8,079,578)
0 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE
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FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

This proposed legislation could impact small business that benefit from film production or series production in Missouri.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

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For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2023, this act authorizes a taxpayer to claim a tax credit for rehearsal expenses and tour expenses, as such terms are defined in the act, for live entertainment tours and associated rehearsals conducted within the state. The tax credit shall be equal to 30% of such expenses, provided that no taxpayer shall receive a tax credit in excess of \$1 million if such taxpayer's expenses are less than \$4 million; and further provided that no taxpayer shall receive a tax credit in excess of \$2 million if such taxpayer's expenses are more than \$4 million but less than \$8 million; and further provided that no taxpayer shall receive a tax credit in excess of \$3 million if such taxpayer's expenses are at least \$8 million.

Tax credits issued under this act shall not be refundable, but may be carried forward to the taxpayer's five subsequent tax years. Unredeemed tax credits shall expire after the fifth tax year following the initial date of issuance, regardless of whether unredeemed tax credits are transferred or sold pursuant to the act.

Tax credits may be transferred or sold, provided that the tax credit is transferred or sold to another Missouri taxpayer. A taxpayer shall submit information to the Department of Economic Development and the Department of Revenue relating to the identity of a transferee and the amount of tax credits being transferred or sold, as described in the act. A transferee shall not subsequently transfer or sell any tax credit acquired from a transferor, and tax credits shall not be transferred or sold for less than 60% of the value of such tax credits.

The aggregate amount of tax credits that may be authorized under the act in a given fiscal year shall not exceed \$8 million. If applications for tax credits exceed such amount, the Department of Economic Development may, at its discretion, authorize additional tax credits not to exceed \$2 million, provided that the maximum amount of tax credits that may be authorized during the subsequent fiscal year shall be reduced by such amount.

This act shall sunset on December 31, 2029, unless reauthorized by the General Assembly.

This act has a delayed effective date of July 1, 2023.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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