206.251 Credit for taxes withheld; election to treat as total tax.

Sec. 251. (1) The amount withheld under section 703 shall be allowed to the recipient of the compensation as a credit against the tax imposed on him or her by this part.

(2) The amount so withheld during any calendar year shall be allowed as a credit for the taxable year beginning in such calendar year. If more than 1 taxable year begins in a calendar year, such amount shall be allowed as a credit for the last taxable year so beginning.


Compiler's note: The repealed sections pertained to Headlee amendment refund and tax credit relating to purchase and installation of qualified home improvement.

206.255 Credit for tax imposed by another state, District of Columbia, or Canadian province; allowance of Canadian provincial credit; maximum credit.

Sec. 255. (1) A resident individual or resident estate or trust is allowed a credit against the tax due under this part for the amount of an income tax imposed on the resident individual or resident estate or trust for the tax year by another state of the United States, a political subdivision of another state of the United States, the District of Columbia, or a Canadian province, on income derived from sources outside this state that is also subject to tax under this part or the amount determined under subsection (3), whichever is less. For purposes of the Canadian provincial credit, the credit is allowed for only that portion of the provincial tax not claimed as a credit for federal income tax purposes. It is presumed that the Canadian federal income tax is claimed first. The provincial tax claimed as a carryover deduction as provided in the internal revenue code is not allowed as a credit under this section.

(2) The Canadian provincial credit shall be allowed for the 1978 tax year and for each tax year after 1978.

(3) The credit under this section shall not exceed an amount determined by dividing income that is subject to taxation both in this state and in another jurisdiction by taxable income and then multiplying that result by the taxpayer's tax liability before any credits are deducted.


Compiler's note: Section 2 of Act 515 of 1982 provides: “(1) Section 255 of this amendatory act shall be effective for the 1979 tax year and each tax year thereafter.

(2) Section 301 of this amendatory act shall take effect for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1983.

(3) Section 520 of this amendatory act shall take effect for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 1981.”

206.256 Tax exemption in other states by nonresidents; reciprocal agreement.

Sec. 256. For a nonresident individual, estate, or trust, if the laws of the state of residence exempt a resident of this state from liability for the payment of income taxes on income earned for personal services performed in that state, the department may enter into a reciprocal agreement with that state to provide a similar tax exemption for that state's residents on income earned for personal services performed in this state.


Compiler's note: The repealed section pertained to tax credit for city income taxes.


Compiler's note: The repealed section pertained to credit for personal property taxes paid on inventories.


Compiler's note: The repealed sections pertained to tax credit for certain charitable contributions and to certain community foundations.


Compiler's note: The repealed section pertained to tax credits for solar, wind, or water energy conversion devices.

Compiler's note: The repealed section pertained to agricultural products gleaned from agricultural property.


Compiler's note: The repealed section pertained to tax credit for contribution to medical care savings account.

206.265 Credit against tax; determining amount; eligibility; limitation; refund.

Sec. 265. (1) For the 1989 tax year and each tax year after 1989, a taxpayer may credit against the tax imposed by this part for the tax year an amount equal to the tax paid in any prior tax year attributable to income received by the taxpayer in any prior tax year and repaid by the taxpayer during the tax year if the taxpayer is eligible for a deduction or credit against his or her federal tax liability pursuant to section 1341 of the internal revenue code based on the repayment for the tax year. A credit under this section for a tax year is allowed only if the repayment for which a deduction or credit was taken pursuant to section 1341 of the internal revenue code is not deducted in calculating the taxpayer's adjusted gross income for the tax year.

(2) If the credit allowed under this section exceeds the tax liability of the taxpayer for the tax year, that portion of the credit that exceeds the tax liability shall be refunded.


Compiler's note: Enacting section 1 of Act 19 of 1998 provides:

“This amendatory act is effective for tax years beginning after 1988.”

206.266 Rehabilitation of historic resource; tax credit; plan; certification; revocation of certificate or sale of historic resource; rules; report; definitions.

Sec. 266. (1) A qualified taxpayer with a rehabilitation plan certified after December 31, 1998 and before January 1, 2012 may credit against the tax imposed by this part the amount determined pursuant to subsection (2) for the qualified expenditures for the rehabilitation of a historic resource pursuant to the rehabilitation plan in the year in which the certification of completed rehabilitation of the historic resource is issued. Only those expenditures that are paid or incurred during the time periods prescribed for the credit under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code and any related treasury regulations shall be considered qualified expenditures.

(2) The credit allowed under this section shall be 25% of the qualified expenditures that are eligible, or would have been eligible except that the taxpayer elected to transfer the credit under subsection (12), for the credit under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code if the taxpayer is eligible for the credit under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code or, if the taxpayer is not eligible for the credit under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code, 25% of the qualified expenditures that would qualify under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code except that the expenditures are made to a historic resource that is not eligible for the credit under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code, subject to both of the following:

(a) A taxpayer with qualified expenditures that are eligible for the credit under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code may claim a credit under this section for those qualified expenditures unless the taxpayer has claimed and received a credit for those qualified expenditures under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code or the taxpayer has elected to transfer the credit under subsection (12).

(b) A credit under this section shall be reduced by the amount of a credit received by the taxpayer for the same qualified expenditures under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code.

(3) To be eligible for the credit under this section, the taxpayer shall apply to and receive from the Michigan state housing development authority that the historic significance, the rehabilitation plan, and the completed rehabilitation of the historic resource meet the criteria under subsection (6) and either of the following:

(a) All of the following criteria:

(i) The historic resource contributes to the significance of the historic district in which it is located.

(ii) Both the rehabilitation plan and completed rehabilitation of the historic resource meet the federal secretary of the interior's standards for rehabilitation and guidelines for rehabilitating historic buildings, 36 CFR part 67.

(iii) All rehabilitation work has been done to or within the walls, boundaries, or structures of the historic resource or to historic resources located within the property boundaries of the resource.

(b) The taxpayer has received certification from the national park service that the historic resource's significance, the rehabilitation plan, and the completed rehabilitation qualify for the credit allowed under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code.

(4) If a qualified taxpayer is eligible for the credit allowed under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code, the qualified taxpayer shall file for certification with the authority to qualify for the credit allowed under
section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code. If the qualified taxpayer has previously filed for certification with the authority to qualify for the credit allowed under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code, additional filing for the credit allowed under this section is not required.

(5) The authority may inspect a historic resource at any time during the rehabilitation process and may revoke certification of completed rehabilitation if the rehabilitation was not undertaken as represented in the rehabilitation plan or if unapproved alterations to the completed rehabilitation are made during the 5 years after the tax year in which the credit was claimed. The authority shall promptly notify the department of a revocation.

(6) Qualified expenditures for the rehabilitation of a historic resource may be used to calculate the credit under this section if the historic resource meets 1 of the criteria listed in subdivision (a) and 1 of the criteria listed in subdivision (b):

(a) The resource is 1 of the following during the tax year in which a credit under this section is claimed for those qualified expenditures:
   (i) Individually listed on the national register of historic places or state register of historic sites.
   (ii) A contributing resource located within a historic district listed on the national register of historic places or the state register of historic sites.
   (iii) A contributing resource located within a historic district designated by a local unit pursuant to an ordinance adopted under the local historic districts act, 1970 PA 169, MCL 399.201 to 399.215.

(b) The resource meets 1 of the following criteria during the tax year in which a credit under this section is claimed for those qualified expenditures:
   (i) The historic resource is located in a designated historic district in a local unit of government with an existing ordinance under the local historic districts act, 1970 PA 169, MCL 399.201 to 399.215.
   (ii) The historic resource is located in an incorporated local unit of government that does not have an ordinance under the local historic districts act, 1970 PA 169, MCL 399.201 to 399.215, and has a population of less than 5,000.
   (iii) The historic resource is located in an unincorporated local unit of government.
   (iv) The historic resource is located in an incorporated local unit of government that does not have an ordinance under the local historic districts act, 1970 PA 169, MCL 399.201 to 399.215, and is located within the boundaries of an association that has been chartered under 1889 PA 39, MCL 455.51 to 455.72.
   (v) The historic resource is subject to a historic preservation easement.

(7) A credit amount assigned under section 39c(7) of former 1975 PA 228 or section 435 of the Michigan business tax act, 2007 PA 36, MCL 208.1435, may be claimed against the partner's, member's, or shareholder's tax liability under this part as provided in section 39c(7) of former 1975 PA 228 or section 435 of the Michigan business tax act, 2007 PA 36, MCL 208.1435.

(8) If the credit allowed under this section for the tax year and any unused carryforward of the credit allowed by this section exceed the taxpayer's tax liability for the tax year, that portion that exceeds the tax liability for the tax year shall not be refunded but may be carried forward to offset tax liability in subsequent tax years for 10 years or until used up, whichever occurs first. For projects for which a certificate of completed rehabilitation is issued for a tax year beginning after December 31, 2008 and for which the credit amount allowed is less than $250,000.00, a qualified taxpayer may elect to forgo the carryover period and receive a refund of the amount of the credit that exceeds the qualified taxpayer's tax liability. The amount of the refund shall be equal to 90% of the amount of the credit that exceeds the qualified taxpayer's tax liability. An election under this subsection shall be made in the year that a certificate of completed rehabilitation is issued and shall be irrevocable.

(9) For tax years beginning before January 1, 2009, if a taxpayer sells a historic resource for which a credit under this section was claimed less than 5 years after the year in which the credit was claimed, the following percentage of the credit amount previously claimed relative to that historic resource shall be added back to the tax liability of the taxpayer in the year of the sale:
   (a) If the sale is less than 1 year after the year in which the credit was claimed, 100%.
   (b) If the sale is at least 1 year but less than 2 years after the year in which the credit was claimed, 80%.
   (c) If the sale is at least 2 years but less than 3 years after the year in which the credit was claimed, 60%.
   (d) If the sale is at least 3 years but less than 4 years after the year in which the credit was claimed, 40%.
   (e) If the sale is at least 4 years but less than 5 years after the year in which the credit was claimed, 20%.
   (f) If the sale is 5 years or more after the year in which the credit was claimed, an addback to the taxpayer's tax liability shall not be made.

(10) For tax years beginning before January 1, 2009, if a certification of completed rehabilitation is revoked under subsection (5) less than 5 years after the year in which a credit was claimed, the following percentage of the credit amount previously claimed relative to that historic resource shall be added back to the tax liability for the tax year.
tax liability of the taxpayer in the year of the revocation:

(a) If the revocation is less than 1 year after the year in which the credit was claimed, 100%.
(b) If the revocation is at least 1 year but less than 2 years after the year in which the credit was claimed, 80%.
(c) If the revocation is at least 2 years but less than 3 years after the year in which the credit was claimed, 60%.
(d) If the revocation is at least 3 years but less than 4 years after the year in which the credit was claimed, 40%.
(e) If the revocation is at least 4 years but less than 5 years after the year in which the credit was claimed, 20%.
(f) If the revocation is 5 years or more after the year in which the credit was claimed, an addback to the taxpayer's tax liability shall not be made.

(11) For tax years beginning after December 31, 2008, if a certificate of completed rehabilitation is revoked under subsection (5) or if the historic resource is sold or disposed of less than 5 years after being placed in service as defined in section 47(b)(1) of the internal revenue code and related treasury regulations, the following percentage of the credit amount previously claimed relative to that historic resource shall be added back to the tax liability of the qualified taxpayer that received the certificate of completed rehabilitation and not the assignee in the year of the revocation:

(a) If the revocation is less than 1 year after the historic resource is placed in service, 100%.
(b) If the revocation is at least 1 year but less than 2 years after the historic resource is placed in service, 80%.
(c) If the revocation is at least 2 years but less than 3 years after the historic resource is placed in service, 60%.
(d) If the revocation is at least 3 years but less than 4 years after the historic resource is placed in service, 40%.
(e) If the revocation is at least 4 years but less than 5 years after the historic resource is placed in service, 20%.
(f) If the revocation is at least 5 years or more after the historic resource is placed in service, an addback to the qualified taxpayer tax liability shall not be required.

(12) A qualified taxpayer who receives a certificate of completed rehabilitation after December 31, 2008 may elect to forgo claiming the credit and transfer the credit along with the ownership of the property for which the credit may be claimed to a new owner. The new owner shall be treated as the qualified taxpayer having incurred the rehabilitation costs and shall be subject to the recapture provisions under subsection (11) if the new owner sells or disposes of the property within 5 years after the new owner acquired the property. For purposes of this subsection and subsection (11), the placed in service date for a new owner is the date the new owner acquired the property for which the credit is claimed.

(13) The authority may impose a fee to cover the administrative cost of implementing the program under this section.

(14) The qualified taxpayer shall attach all of the following to the qualified taxpayer's annual return under this part:

(a) Certification of completed rehabilitation.
(b) Certification of historic significance related to the historic resource and the qualified expenditures used to claim a credit under this section.
(c) A completed assignment form if the qualified taxpayer is an assignee under section 39c of former 1975 PA 228 or section 435 of the Michigan business tax act, 2007 PA 36, MCL 208.1435, of any portion of a credit allowed under that section.

(15) The authority may promulgate rules to implement this section pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.

(16) The total of the credits claimed under this section and section 39c of former 1975 PA 228 or section 435 of the Michigan business tax act, 2007 PA 36, MCL 208.1435, for a rehabilitation project shall not exceed 25% of the total qualified expenditures eligible for the credit under this section for that rehabilitation project.

(17) The authority shall report all of the following to the legislature annually for the immediately preceding state fiscal year:

(a) The fee schedule used by the center and the total amount of fees collected.
(b) A description of each rehabilitation project certified.
(c) The location of each new and ongoing rehabilitation project.

(18) As used in this section:
(a) "Contributing resource" means a historic resource that contributes to the significance of the historic district in which it is located.

(b) "Historic district" means an area, or group of areas not necessarily having contiguous boundaries, that contains 1 resource or a group of resources that are related by history, architecture, archaeology, engineering, or culture.

(c) "Historic resource" means a publicly or privately owned historic building, structure, site, object, feature, or open space located within a historic district designated by the national register of historic places, the state register of historic sites, or a local unit acting under the local historic districts act, 1970 PA 169, MCL 399.201 to 399.215; or that is individually listed on the state register of historic sites or national register of historic places and includes all of the following:

(i) An owner-occupied personal residence or a historic resource located within the property boundaries of that personal residence.

(ii) An income-producing commercial, industrial, or residential resource or a historic resource located within the property boundaries of that resource.

(iii) A resource owned by a governmental body, nonprofit organization, or tax-exempt entity that is used primarily by a taxpayer lessee in a trade or business unrelated to the governmental body, nonprofit organization, or tax-exempt entity and that is subject to tax under this part.

(iv) A resource that is occupied or utilized by a governmental body, nonprofit organization, or tax-exempt entity pursuant to a long-term lease or lease with option to buy agreement.

(v) Any other resource that could benefit from rehabilitation.

(d) "Local unit" means a county, city, village, or township.

(e) "Long-term lease" means a lease term of at least 27.5 years for a residential resource or at least 31.5 years for a nonresidential resource.

(f) "Michigan state housing development authority" or "authority" means the public body corporate and politic created by section 21 of the state housing development authority act of 1966, 1966 PA 346, MCL 125.1421.

(g) "Open space" means undeveloped land, a naturally landscaped area, or a formal or man-made landscaped area that provides a connective link or a buffer between other resources.

(h) "Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation, association, governmental entity, or other legal entity.

(i) "Qualified expenditures" means capital expenditures that qualify, or would qualify except that the taxpayer elected to transfer the credit under subsection (12), for a rehabilitation credit under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code if the taxpayer is eligible for the credit under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code or, if the taxpayer is not eligible for the credit under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code, the qualified expenditures that would qualify under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code except that the expenditures are made to a historic resource that is not eligible for the credit under section 47(a)(2) of the internal revenue code, that were paid. Qualified expenditures do not include capital expenditures for nonhistoric additions to a historic resource except an addition that is required by state or federal regulations that relate to historic preservation, safety, or accessibility.

(j) "Qualified taxpayer" means a person that is an assignee under section 39c of former 1975 PA 228 or section 435 of the Michigan business tax act, 2007 PA 36, MCL 208.1435, or either owns the resource to be rehabilitated or has a long-term lease agreement with the owner of the historic resource and that has qualified expenditures for the rehabilitation of the historic resource equal to or greater than 10% of the state equalized valuation of the property. If the historic resource to be rehabilitated is a portion of a historic or nonhistoric resource, the state equalized valuation of only that portion of the property shall be used for purposes of this subdivision. If the assessor for the local tax collecting unit in which the historic resource is located determines the state equalized valuation of that portion, that assessor's determination shall be used for purposes of this subdivision. If the assessor does not determine that state equalized valuation of that portion, qualified expenditures, for purposes of this subdivision, shall be equal to or greater than 5% of the appraised value as determined by a certified appraiser. If the historic resource to be rehabilitated does not have a state equalized valuation, qualified expenditures for purposes of this subdivision shall be equal to or greater than 5% of the appraised value of the resource as determined by a certified appraiser.

(k) "Rehabilitation plan" means a plan for the rehabilitation of a historic resource that meets the federal secretary of the interior's standards for rehabilitation and guidelines for rehabilitation of historic buildings under 36 CFR part 67.

Compiler's note: Enacting section 1 of Act 52 of 2006 provides:
"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act is effective for tax years that begin after December 31, 2004."

For transfer of powers and duties of department of history, arts, and libraries or the Michigan historical center relating to the identification, certification, and preservation of historical sites to the Michigan state housing development authority, see E.R.O. No. 2009-26, compiled at MCL 399.752.

For transfer of powers and duties of the state historic preservation office relating to the identification, certification, and preservation of historical sites from the Michigan state housing development authority to the Michigan strategic fund, see E.R.O. No. 2019-3, compiled at MCL 125.1998.


Compiler's note: The repealed sections pertained to tax credit after December 31, 2000, tax exemption for qualified adoption expenses, and tax credit for donated automobiles.

206.270 Tax voucher certificate; definitions.

Sec. 270. (1) For tax years that begin after December 31, 2008, a taxpayer to whom a tax voucher certificate is issued under an agreement entered into before January 1, 2012 or a taxpayer that is the transferee of a tax voucher certificate that is issued under an agreement entered into before January 1, 2012 may use the tax voucher certificate to pay any liability of the taxpayer under section 51 or to pay any amount owed by the taxpayer under section 351.

(2) A tax voucher certificate shall be used for the purposes allowed under subsection (1) and only in a tax year that begins after December 31, 2008.

(3) The amount of the tax voucher that may be used to pay a liability due under this part in any tax year shall not exceed the lesser of the following:
   (a) The amount of the tax voucher stated in the tax voucher certificate held by the taxpayer.
   (b) The amount authorized to be used in the tax year under the terms of the tax voucher certificate.
   (c) The taxpayer's liability under this part for the tax year for which the tax voucher is used.

(4) If the amount of any tax voucher certificate held by a taxpayer or transferee exceeds the amount the taxpayer may use under subsection (3)(b) or (c) in a tax year, that excess may be used by the taxpayer or transferee to pay, subject to the limitations of subsection (3), any future liability of the taxpayer or transferee under this part.

(5) The tax voucher certificate, and any completed transfer form that was issued pursuant to the Michigan early stage venture investment act of 2003, 2003 PA 296, MCL 125.2231 to 125.2263, shall be attached to the annual return under this part. The department may prescribe and implement alternative methods of reporting and recording ownership, transfer, and utilization of tax voucher certificates that are not inconsistent with the provisions of this act. The department shall administer this section to assure that any amount of a tax voucher certificate used to pay any liability under this part shall not also be applied to pay any liability of the taxpayer or any other person under the Michigan business tax act, 2007 PA 36, MCL 208.1101 to 208.1601. The department shall take any action necessary to enforce and effectuate the permissible issuance and use of tax voucher certificates in a manner authorized under this section and the Michigan early stage venture investment act of 2003, 2003 PA 296, MCL 125.2231 to 125.2263.

(6) As used in this section:
   (a) "Certificate" or "tax voucher certificate" means the tax voucher certificate issued under section 23 of the Michigan early stage venture capital investment act of 2003, 2003 PA 296, MCL 125.2253, or any replacement tax voucher certificate issued under former section 37e(9)(b) or (d) of the single business tax act, 1975 PA 228, or section 419 of the Michigan business tax act, 2007 PA 36, MCL 208.1419.
   (b) "Transferee" means a taxpayer to whom a tax voucher certificate has been transferred under section 23 of the Michigan early stage venture investment act of 2003, 2003 PA 296, MCL 125.2253, and former section 37e of the single business tax act, 1975 PA 228, or section 419 of the Michigan business tax act, 2007 PA 36, MCL 208.1419.


Compiler's note: In subsection (6)(a), the reference to the “Michigan early stage venture capital investment act of 2003” evidently should read “Michigan early stage venture investment act of 2003.”

206.271 Recomputation of taxable income by excluding proportional gain or loss on disposition of property.

Sec. 271. (1) A taxpayer subject to the tax levied by section 51 and whose income received after September 30, 1967 is increased or diminished by the disposition of property acquired before October 1,
1967, which is described in and subject to subchapter P of the internal revenue code, may elect to recompute taxable income by excluding therefrom the proportional gain or loss incurred before October 1, 1967. Taxpayers so electing shall be subject to a tax on taxable income thus recomputed at the rates imposed by this part. An election so made shall include all items of gains or losses realized during the taxable year.

(2) The proportion of gain or loss occurring after September 30, 1967, to total gain or loss is equal to the proportion the number of months after September 30, 1967, to date of disposition bears to the number of months from date of acquisition to date of disposition.


206.272 Tax credit; amount equal to federal credit; refund.

Sec. 272. (1) For the following tax years that begin after December 31, 2007, a taxpayer may credit against the tax imposed by this act an amount equal to the specified percentages of the credit the taxpayer is allowed to claim as a credit under section 32 of the internal revenue code for a tax year on a return filed under this act for the same tax year:

(a) For tax years that begin after December 31, 2007 and before January 1, 2009, 10%.
(b) For tax years that begin after December 31, 2008 and before January 1, 2012, 20%.
(c) For tax years that begin after December 31, 2011, 6%.

(2) If the credit allowed by this section exceeds the tax liability of the taxpayer for the tax year, the state treasurer shall refund the excess to the taxpayer without interest, except as provided in section 30 of 1941 PA 122, MCL 205.30.


Compiler's note: Enacting section 1 of Act 469 of 2014 provides:
"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Joint Resolution UU of the 97th Legislature becomes a part of the state constitution of 1963 as provided in section 1 of article XII of the state constitution of 1963."

House Joint Resolution UU was presented to the electors as Proposal 15-1 at the May 5, 2015 special election. The proposal to amend the constitution was not approved by the voters and Act 469 of 2014 does not go into effect.


Compiler's note: The repealed section pertained to credit for prescription drugs.


Compiler's note: The repealed sections pertained to tax credit claimed for student fees and tuition, certificate of stillbirth, and contributions to individual or family development account program.

206.278 Qualified investment in qualified business; tax credit; definitions.

Sec. 278. (1) Subject to the limitations provided under this section, a taxpayer that makes a qualified investment after December 31, 2010 and before January 1, 2012 in a qualified business may claim a credit against the tax imposed by this act equal to 25% of the qualified investment made during the tax year.

(2) To qualify for the credit under this section, the taxpayer shall request certification from the Michigan strategic fund within 60 days of making the investment. A taxpayer shall not claim a credit under this section unless the Michigan strategic fund has issued a certificate to the taxpayer. The board shall not approve a credit under this section for a taxpayer who has been convicted of a felony involving a fiduciary obligation or the conversion or misappropriation of funds or insurance accounts, theft, deceit, fraud, misrepresentation, or corruption. The Michigan strategic fund shall forward a copy of each certificate received pursuant to this subsection to the governor, the president of the Michigan strategic fund, the chairperson of the senate finance committee, the chairperson of the house tax policy committee, the director of the senate fiscal agency, and the director of the house fiscal agency. The requirements of section 28(1)(f) of 1941 PA 122, MCL 205.28, do not apply to the disclosure required by this subsection. The Michigan strategic fund shall not certify more than $1,000,000.00 in qualified investments in any 1 qualified business. The taxpayer shall attach the certificate to the annual return filed under this act on which a credit under this section is claimed. The certificate required under this subsection shall specify all of the following:

(a) The total amount of investment made during the tax year by the taxpayer in each qualified business.
(b) The total amount of qualified investments made in each qualified business if different from the previous amount.
(c) The total amount of the credit under this section that the taxpayer is allowed to claim for the designated tax year.

(3) A taxpayer shall not claim a credit of more than $250,000.00 based on an investment in any 1 qualified business and shall not claim a credit of more than $250,000.00 for qualified investments in all qualified businesses.
businesses in any 1 year. The credit allowed under this section shall be taken by the taxpayer in equal installments over 2 years beginning with the tax year in which the certification was issued.

(4) The total amount of credits that the Michigan strategic fund may certify under this section shall not exceed $9,000,000.00.

(5) If the amount of the credit allowed under this section exceeds the tax liability of the taxpayer for the tax year, that portion of the credit that exceeds the tax liability of the taxpayer for the tax year shall not be refunded but may be carried forward to offset tax liability under this act in subsequent tax years for a period not to exceed 5 tax years or until used up, whichever occurs first.

(6) The board shall develop an application and approval process in order to certify investments under this section and adopt a program describing parameters and criteria to be used for approving investments. As part of that program adoption, the board may determine and describe the conditions to be met to be considered an investment alongside or through an approved angel group, seed capital firm, or venture capital firm.

(7) A taxpayer who has not paid or entered into an installment agreement regarding a final assessment of an unpaid liability for a state tax for which all rights of appeal have been exhausted or who is currently in a bankruptcy proceeding is not eligible to claim a credit under this section.

(8) As used in this section:

(a) “Board” means the board of directors of the Michigan strategic fund.

(b) "Michigan strategic fund" means the Michigan strategic fund as described in the Michigan strategic fund act, 1984 PA 270, MCL 125.2001 to 125.2094.

(c) "Qualified business" means a business that the board certifies as in compliance with all of the following at the time of the investment:

(i) The business is a seed or early stage business as defined in section 3 of the Michigan early stage venture investment act of 2003, 2003 PA 296, MCL 125.2233.

(ii) The business has its headquarters in this state, is domiciled in this state, and has a majority of its employees working in this state.

(iii) The business has a preinvestment valuation of less than $10,000,000.00 and has fewer than 100 full-time equivalent employees.

(iv) Except as otherwise provided under this subparagraph, the business has been in existence less than 5 years; or, for a business in which the business activity is derived from research at an institution of higher education located within this state or an organization exempt from federal taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code and that is located within this state, the business has been in existence less than 10 years. As used in this subparagraph, a public or private college or university that awards a bachelor's degree or other degrees is an institution of higher education.

(v) The business is not a retail establishment as described in section 44-45 – retail trade, of the North American industry classification system, United States, 1997, published by the office of management and budget.

(vi) The business has not claimed a credit under section 431, 455, 457, or 459 of the Michigan business tax act, 2007 PA 36, MCL 208.1431, 208.1455, 208.1457, and 208.1459.

(d) "Qualified investment" means, except as otherwise provided under this subdivision, an investment of at least $20,000.00 certified by the Michigan strategic fund that is made alongside of, or through, a seed venture capital or angel investor group that is registered with the Michigan strategic fund and is not in a business in which any member of the investor's family is an employee or owner of the business or in which the investor or any member of the investor's family has a preexisting fiduciary relationship with the business. Qualified investment does not include an investment in a business that engages in life sciences technology unless those activities are included in the definition of life sciences as that term is defined under section 88a of the Michigan strategic fund act, 1984 PA 270, MCL 125.2088a.


Compiler's note: Enacting section 1 of Act 235 of 2010 provides:

"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act shall be known as the "venture investment credit"."