SENATE BILL No. 822

November 4, 2003, Introduced by Senators SANBORN, GARCIA, KUIPERS, BIRKHOLZ, McMANUS, GEORGE, BISHOP, SIKKEMA, CROPSEY, GILBERT, BROWN, VAN WOERKOM, TOY, JELINEK, HARDIMAN, JOHNSON and HAMMERSTROM and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor.

A bill to amend 1975 PA 228, entitled

"Single business tax act,"

by amending section 38g (MCL 208.38g), as amended by 2002 PA 726.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 38q. (1) Subject to the criteria under this section, an 2 eligible taxpayer may claim a credit against the tax imposed by this act as determined under subsections (20) to (25); and 3 4 subject to the criteria under this section, a qualified taxpayer 5 that has a preapproval letter issued after December 31, 1999 and 6 before January 1, 2008, provided that the project is completed 7 not more than 5 years after the preapproval letter for the 8 project is issued, or an assignee under subsection (17) or (18) may claim a credit that has been approved under subsection (2) or 9 (3) against the tax imposed by this act equal to either of the 10

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1 following:

2 (a) If the total of all credits for a project is \$1,000,000.00 or less, 10% of the cost of the qualified 3 taxpayer's eligible investment paid or accrued by the qualified 4 5 taxpayer on an eligible property provided that the project does not exceed the amount stated in the preapproval letter. 6 Ιf eligible investment exceeds the amount of eligible investment in 7 the preapproval letter for that project, the total of all credits 8 for the project shall not exceed the total of all credits on the 9 certificate of completion. 10

11 (b) If the total of all credits for a project is more than 12 \$1,000,000.00 but \$30,000,000.00 or less and, except as provided in subsection (5)(b), the project is located in a qualified local 13 governmental unit, a percentage as determined by the Michigan 14 economic growth authority not to exceed 10% of the cost of the 15 qualified taxpayer's eligible investment as determined under 16 subsection (8) paid or accrued by the qualified taxpayer on an 17 eligible property. If eligible investment exceeds the amount of 18 eligible investment in the preapproval letter for that project, 19 20 the total of all credits for the project shall not exceed the total of all credits on the certificate of completion. 21

(2) If the cost of a project will be for \$10,000,000.00 or
less, a qualified taxpayer shall apply to the department for
approval of the project under this subsection. An application
under this subsection shall state whether the project is a
multiphase project. The state treasurer or a designee of the
state treasurer is authorized to approve an application or

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1 project under this subsection. Only the state treasurer is authorized to deny an application or project under this 2 subsection. A project shall be approved or denied not more than 3 45 days after receipt of the application. If the state treasurer 4 5 or the state treasurer's designee does not approve or deny an application within 45 days after the application is received by 6 the department, the application is considered approved as 7 written. The total of all credits for all projects approved 8 under this subsection shall not exceed \$30,000,000.00 in any 9 calendar year. The criteria in subsection (6) shall be used when 10 approving projects under this subsection. When approving 11 12 projects under this subsection, priority shall be given to projects on a facility. The total of all credits for an approved 13 project under this subsection shall not exceed \$1,000,000.00. A 14 taxpayer may apply under this subsection instead of subsection 15 (3) for approval of a project that will be for more than 16 \$10,000,000.00 but the total of all credits for that project 17 shall not exceed \$1,000,000.00. If the state treasurer or a 18 designee of the state treasurer approves a project under this 19 20 subsection, the state treasurer or a designee of the state treasurer shall issue a preapproval letter that states that the 21 22 taxpayer is a qualified taxpayer; the maximum total eligible investment for the project on which credits may be claimed and 23 the maximum total of all credits for the project when the project 24 is completed and a certificate of completion is issued; and the 25 project number assigned by the department. If a project is 26 27 denied under this subsection, a taxpayer is not prohibited from

subsequently applying under this subsection or subsection (3) for
 the same project or for another project.

3 (3) If the cost of a project will be for more than 4 \$10,000,000.00 and, except as provided in subsection (5)(b), the 5 project is located in a qualified local governmental unit, a qualified taxpayer shall apply to the Michigan economic growth 6 authority for approval of the project. The Michigan economic 7 growth authority shall approve or deny the project not more than 8 65 days after receipt of the application. A project under this 9 10 subsection shall not be approved without the concurrence of the state treasurer. If the Michigan economic growth authority does 11 12 not approve or deny the application within 65 days after it receives the application, the Michigan economic growth authority 13 shall send the application to the state treasurer. 14 The state treasurer shall approve or deny the application within 5 days 15 after receipt of the application. If the state treasurer does 16 not deny the application within the 5 days after receipt of the 17 application, the application is considered approved. 18 The Michigan economic growth authority shall approve a limited number 19 20 of projects under this subsection during each calendar year as provided in subsection (5). The Michigan economic growth 21 authority shall use the criteria in subsection (6) when approving 22 projects under this subsection, when determining the total amount 23 of eligible investment, and when determining the percentage of 24 eligible investment for the project to be used to calculate a 25 credit. The total of all credits for an approved project under 26 27 this subsection shall not exceed the amount designated in the

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1 preapproval letter for that project. If the Michigan economic growth authority approves a project under this subsection, the 2 Michigan economic growth authority shall issue a preapproval 3 letter that states that the taxpayer is a qualified taxpayer; the 4 5 percentage of eligible investment for the project determined by the Michigan economic growth authority for purposes of subsection 6 (1) (b); the maximum total eligible investment for the project on 7 which credits may be claimed and the maximum total of all credits 8 for the project when the project is completed and a certificate 9 of completion is issued; and the project number assigned by the 10 Michigan economic growth authority. The Michigan economic growth 11 12 authority shall send a copy of the preapproval letter to the department. If a project is denied under this subsection, a 13 taxpayer is not prohibited from subsequently applying under this 14 subsection or subsection (2) for the same project or for another 15 16 project.

17 (4) If the project is on property that is functionally 18 obsolete, the taxpayer shall include, with the application, an 19 affidavit signed by a level 3 or level 4 assessor, that states 20 that it is the assessor's expert opinion that the property is 21 functionally obsolete and the underlying basis for that opinion.

(5) The Michigan economic growth authority may approve not
more than 15 projects each calendar year under subsection (3),
and the following limitations apply:

(a) Of the 15 projects allowed under this subsection, the
total of all credits for each project may be more than
\$10,000,000.00 but \$30,000,000.00 or less for up to 3 projects.

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1 (b) Of the 15 projects allowed under this subsection, up to 3 projects may be approved for projects that are not in a qualified 2 local governmental unit if the property is a facility for which 3 eligible activities are identified in a brownfield plan. For 4 5 purposes of this subdivision, a facility includes a building or complex of buildings that was used by a state or federal agency 6 and that is no longer being used for the purpose for which it was 7 used by the state or federal agency. 8

9 (c) Of the 3 projects allowed under subdivision (a), 1 may be10 a project that also qualifies under subdivision (b).

11 (6) The Michigan economic growth authority shall review all 12 applications for projects under subsection (3) and, if an application is approved, shall determine the maximum total of all 13 credits for that project. Before approving a project for which 14 the total of all credits will be more than \$10,000,000.00 but 15 \$30,000,000.00 or less only, the Michigan economic growth 16 authority shall determine that the project would not occur in 17 this state without the tax credit offered under subsection (3), 18 except that the Michigan economic growth authority may approve 1 19 20 project the construction of which began after January 1, 2000 and before January 1, 2001 without determining that the eligible 21 investment would not occur in this state without the tax credit 22 offered under this section. The Michigan economic growth 23 authority shall consider the following criteria to the extent 24 reasonably applicable to the type of project proposed when 25 approving a project under subsection (3) and the state treasurer 26 27 or a designee of the state treasurer shall consider the following

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1 criteria to the extent reasonably applicable to the type of

2 project proposed when approving a project under subsection (2) or

 ${\bf 3}$ when considering an amendment to a project under

4 subsection (31):

5 (a) The overall benefit to the public.

6 (b) The extent of reuse of vacant buildings and redevelopment7 of blighted property.

8 (c) Creation of jobs.

9 (d) Whether the eligible property is in an area of high10 unemployment.

(e) The level and extent of contamination alleviated by the
qualified taxpayer's eligible activities to the extent known to
the qualified taxpayer.

14 (f) The level of private sector contribution.

(g) The cost gap that exists between the site and a similar
greenfield site as determined by the Michigan economic growth
authority.

18 (h) If the qualified taxpayer is moving from another location19 in this state, whether the move will create a brownfield.

20 (i) Whether the financial statements of the qualified
21 taxpayer indicate that it is financially sound and that the
22 project is economically sound.

(j) Any other criteria that the Michigan economic growth
authority or the state treasurer, as applicable, considers
appropriate for the determination of eligibility under subsection
(2) or (3).

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(7) A qualified taxpayer may apply for projects under

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subsection (2) or (3) for eligible investment on more than 1
 eligible property in a tax year. Each project approved and each
 project for which a certificate of completion is issued under
 this section shall be for eligible investment on 1 eligible
 property.

6 (8) When a project under subsection (2) or (3) is completed, 7 the taxpayer shall submit documentation that the project is completed, an accounting of the cost of the project, the eligible 8 investment of each taxpayer if there is more than 1 taxpayer 9 eligible for a credit for the project, and, if the taxpayer is 10 not the owner or lessee of the eligible property on which the 11 12 eligible investment was made at the time the project is 13 completed, that the taxpayer was the owner or lessee of that eligible property when all eligible investment of the taxpayer 14 was made. The state treasurer or a designee of the state 15 treasurer, for projects approved under subsection (2), or the 16 Michigan economic growth authority, for projects approved under 17 subsection (3), shall verify that the project is completed. For 18 projects approved under subsection (3), the Michigan economic 19 20 growth authority shall conduct an on-site inspection as part of the verification process. When the completion of the project is 21 verified, a certificate of completion shall be issued to each 22 qualified taxpayer that has made eligible investment on that 23 eligible property. The certificate of completion shall state the 24 total amount of all credits for the project and that total shall 25 not exceed the maximum total of all credits listed in the 26 27 preapproval letter for the project under subsection (2) or (3) as

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1 applicable and shall state all of the following:

2 (a) That the taxpayer is a qualified taxpayer.

3 (b) The total cost of the project and the eligible investment4 of each qualified taxpayer.

5 (c) Each qualified taxpayer's credit amount.

6 (d) The qualified taxpayer's federal employer identification
7 number or the Michigan treasury number assigned to the taxpayer.
8 (e) The project number.

9 (f) For a project approved under subsection (3) for which the 10 total of all credits is more than \$10,000,000.00 but 11 \$30,000,000.00 or less, the total of all credits and the schedule 12 on which the annual credit amount shall be claimed by the 13 qualified taxpayer.

(g) For a multiphase project under subsection (33) (32), the amount of each credit assigned and the amount of all credits claimed in each tax year before the year in which the project is completed.

18 (9) Except as otherwise provided in this section, qualified taxpayers shall claim credits under subsections (2) and (3) in 19 20 the tax year in which the certificate of completion is issued. For a project approved under subsection (3) for which the total 21 of all credits is more than \$10,000,000.00 but \$30,000,000.00 or 22 less, the qualified taxpayer shall claim 10% of its approved 23 credit each year for 10 years. A credit assigned based on a 24 multiphase project shall be claimed in the year in which the 25 credit is assigned. 26

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(10) The cost of eligible investment for leased machinery,

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1 equipment, or fixtures is the cost of that property had the property been purchased minus the lessor's estimate, made at the 2 time the lease is entered into, of the market value the property 3 will have at the end of the lease. A credit for property 4 5 described in this subsection is allowed only if the cost of that property had the property been purchased and the lessor's 6 estimate of the market value at the end of the lease are provided 7 to the department or the Michigan economic growth authority, as 8 applicable. 9

10 (11) For credits under subsections (2) and (3), credits
11 claimed by a lessee of eligible property are subject to the total
12 of all credits limitation under this section.

(12) Each qualified taxpayer and assignee under subsection 13 (17) or (18) that claims a credit under subsection (1)(a) or (b) 14 shall attach a copy of the certificate of completion and, if the 15 credit was assigned, a copy of the assignment form provided for 16 under this section to the annual return filed under this act on 17 which the credit under subsection (2) or (3) is claimed. An 18 assignee of a credit based on a multiphase project shall attach a 19 copy of the assignment form provided for under this section and 20 the component completion certificate provided for in 21 subsection (32) to the annual return filed under this act on 22 which the credit is claimed but is not required to file a copy of 23 a certificate of completion. 24

(13) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection or
subsection (15), (17), (19), or (32), a credit under subsection
(2) or (3) shall be claimed in the tax year in which the

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certificate of completion is issued to the qualified taxpayer.
 For a project described in subsection (8)(f) for which a schedule
 for claiming annual credit amounts is designated on the
 certificate of completion by the Michigan economic growth
 authority, the annual credit amount shall be claimed in the tax
 year specified on the certificate of completion.

7 (14) The credits approved under this section shall be
8 calculated after application of all other credits allowed under
9 this act. The credits under subsections (2) and (3) shall be
10 calculated before the calculation of credits under subsections
11 (20) to (25) and before the credits under sections 37c and 37d.

12 (15) If the credit allowed under subsection (2) or (3) for the tax year and any unused carryforward of the credit allowed 13 under subsection (2) or (3) exceed the qualified taxpayer's or 14 assignee's tax liability for the tax year, that portion that 15 exceeds the tax liability for the tax year shall not be refunded 16 but may be carried forward to offset tax liability in subsequent 17 tax years for 10 years or until used up, whichever occurs first. 18 Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the maximum time 19 20 allowed under the carryforward provisions under this subsection begins with the tax year in which the certificate of completion 21 22 is issued to the qualified taxpayer. If the qualified taxpayer assigns all or any portion of its credit approved under 23 subsection (2) or (3), the maximum time allowed under the 24 carryforward provisions for an assignee begins to run with the 25 tax year in which the assignment is made and the assignee first 26 27 claims a credit, which shall be the same tax year. The maximum

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1 time allowed under the carryforward provisions for an annual 2 credit amount for a credit allowed under subsection (3) begins to 3 run in the tax year for which the annual credit amount is 4 designated on the certificate of completion issued under this 5 section.

(16) If a project or credit under subsection (2) or (3) is 6 7 for the addition of personal property, if the cost of that personal property is used to calculate a credit under subsection 8 (2) or (3), and if the personal property is sold or disposed of 9 10 or transferred from eligible property to any other location, the qualified taxpayer that sold, disposed of, or transferred the 11 12 personal property shall add the same percentage as determined pursuant to subsection (1) of the federal basis of the personal 13 property used for determining gain or loss as of the date of the 14 sale, disposition, or transfer to the qualified taxpayer's tax 15 liability after application of all credits under this act for the 16 tax year in which the sale, disposition, or transfer occurs. 17 Τf a qualified taxpayer has an unused carryforward of a credit under 18 subsection (2) or (3), the amount otherwise added under this 19 20 subsection to the qualified taxpayer's tax liability may instead be used to reduce the qualified taxpayer's carryforward under 21 22 subsection (15).

(17) For credits under subsections (2) and (3) and except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if a qualified taxpayer pays or accrues eligible investment on or to an eligible property that is leased for a minimum term of 10 years or sold to another taxpayer for use in a business activity, the qualified taxpayer

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1 may assign all or a portion of the credit based on that eligible investment to the lessee or purchaser of that eligible property. 2 A credit assignment under this subsection shall only be made to a 3 taxpayer that when the assignment is complete will be a qualified 4 5 taxpayer. All credit assignments under this subsection are irrevocable and, except for a credit based on a multiphase 6 project, shall be made in the tax year in which the certificate 7 of completion is issued, unless the assignee is an unknown 8 lessee. If a qualified taxpayer wishes to assign all or a 9 portion of its credit to a lessee but the lessee is unknown in 10 the tax year in which the certificate of completion is issued, 11 12 the qualified taxpayer may delay claiming and assigning the credit until the first tax year in which the lessee is known. 13 Α qualified taxpayer may claim a portion of a credit and assign the 14 remaining credit amount. Except as otherwise provided in this 15 subsection, if the qualified taxpayer both claims and assigns 16 portions of the credit, the qualified taxpayer shall claim the 17 18 portion it claims in the tax year in which the certificate of completion is issued or for a credit assigned and claimed for a 19 20 multiphase project before a certificate of completion is issued, the taxpayer shall claim the credit in the year in which the 21 22 credit is assigned. If a qualified taxpayer assigns all or a portion of the credit and the eligible property is leased to more 23 than 1 taxpayer, the qualified taxpayer shall determine the 24 amount of credit assigned to each lessee. A lessee shall not 25 subsequently assign a credit or any portion of a credit assigned 26 27 under this subsection. A purchaser may subsequently assign a

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1 credit or any portion of a credit assigned to the purchaser under this subsection to a lessee of the eligible property. The credit 2 assignment under this subsection shall be made on a form 3 prescribed by the department. The qualified taxpayer shall send 4 5 a copy of the completed assignment form to the department in the tax year in which the assignment is made. The assignee shall 6 attach a copy of the completed assignment form to its annual 7 return required to be filed under this act, for the tax year in 8 which the assignment is made and the assignee first claims a 9 10 credit, which shall be the same tax year. In addition to all other procedures under this subsection, the following apply if 11 12 the total of all credits for a project is more than \$10,000,000.00 but \$30,000,000.00 or less: 13

14 (a) The credit shall be assigned based on the schedule15 contained in the certificate of completion.

(b) If the qualified taxpayer assigns all or a portion of the
17 credit amount, the qualified taxpayer shall assign the annual
18 credit amount for each tax year separately.

(c) More than 1 annual credit amount may be assigned to any 1
assignee and the qualified taxpayer may assign all or a portion
of each annual credit amount to any assignee.

22 (d) The qualified taxpayer shall not assign more than the23 annual credit amount for each tax year.

(18) If a qualified taxpayer is a partnership, limited
liability company, or subchapter S corporation, the qualified
taxpayer may assign all or a portion of a credit allowed under
subsection (2) or (3) to its partners, members, or shareholders,

1 based on their proportionate share of ownership of the partnership, limited liability company, or subchapter S 2 corporation or based on an alternative method approved by the 3 department. A credit assignment under this subsection is 4 5 irrevocable and, except for a credit assignment based on a multiphase project, shall be made in the tax year in which a 6 certificate of completion is issued. A qualified taxpayer may 7 claim a portion of a credit and assign the remaining credit 8 amount. If the qualified taxpayer both claims and assigns 9 10 portions of the credit, the qualified taxpayer shall claim the portion it claims in the tax year in which a certificate of 11 12 completion is issued. A partner, member, or shareholder that is an assignee shall not subsequently assign a credit or any portion 13 of a credit assigned under this subsection. The credit 14 assignment under this subsection shall be made on a form 15 prescribed by the department. The qualified taxpayer shall send 16 a copy of the completed assignment form to the department in the 17 18 tax year in which the assignment is made. A partner, member, or 19 shareholder who is an assignee shall attach a copy of the 20 completed assignment form to its annual return required under this act, for the tax year in which the assignment is made and 21 the assignee first claims a credit, which shall be the same tax 22 year. In addition to all other procedures under this subsection, 23 the following apply if the total of all credits for a project is 24 more than \$10,000,000.00 but \$30,000,000.00 or less: 25

26 (a) The credit shall be assigned based on the schedule27 contained in the certificate of completion.

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(b) If the qualified taxpayer assigns all or a portion of the
 credit amount, the qualified taxpayer shall assign the annual
 credit amount for each tax year separately.

4 (c) More than 1 annual credit amount may be assigned to any 1
5 assignee and the qualified taxpayer may assign all or a portion
6 of each annual credit amount to any assignee.

7 (d) The qualified taxpayer shall not assign more than the8 annual credit amount for each tax year.

9 (19) A qualified taxpayer or assignee under subsection (17)
10 or (18) shall not claim a credit under subsection (1)(a) or (b)
11 based on eligible investment on which a credit claimed under
12 section 38d was based.

13 (20) In addition to the other credits allowed under this
14 section and sections 37c and 37d, for tax years that begin after
15 December 31, 1999 and for a period of time not to exceed 20 years
16 as determined by the Michigan economic growth authority, an
17 eligible taxpayer may credit against the tax imposed by section
18 31 the amount certified each year by the Michigan economic growth
19 authority that is 1 of the following:

(a) For an eligible business under section 8(5)(a) of the
Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.808,
an amount that is not more than 50% of 1 or both of the following
as determined by the Michigan economic growth authority:

(i) An amount determined under the Michigan economic growth
authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.801 to 207.810, that does not
exceed the payroll of the eligible taxpayer attributable to
employees who perform retained jobs multiplied by the tax rate

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1 for the tax year.

(ii) The tax liability attributable to the eligible
taxpayer's business activity multiplied by a fraction the
numerator of which is the ratio of the value of new capital
investment to all of the taxpayer's property located in this
state plus the ratio of the taxpayer's payroll attributable to
retained jobs to all of the taxpayer's payroll in this state and
the denominator of which is 2.

9 (b) For an eligible business under section 8(5)(b) of the
10 Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.808,
11 an amount that is not more than 1 or both of the following as
12 determined by the Michigan economic growth authority:

13 (i) An amount determined under the Michigan economic growth 14 authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.801 to 207.810, that does not 15 exceed the payroll of the eligible taxpayer attributable to 16 employees who perform retained jobs multiplied by the tax rate 17 for the tax year.

18 (*ii*) The tax liability attributable to eligible taxpayer's 19 business activity multiplied by a fraction the numerator of which 20 is the ratio of the value of capital investment to all of the 21 taxpayer's property located in this state plus the ratio of the 22 taxpayer's payroll attributable to retained jobs to all of the 23 taxpayer's payroll in this state and the denominator of which is 24 2.

(21) An eligible taxpayer shall not claim a credit under
subsection (20) unless the Michigan economic growth authority has
issued a certificate under section 9 of the Michigan economic

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growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.809, to the taxpayer.
The eligible taxpayer shall attach the certificate to the return
filed under this act on which a credit under subsection (20) is
claimed.

5 (22) An affiliated group as defined in this act, a controlled group of corporations as defined in section 1563 of the internal 6 revenue code and further described in 26 C.F.R. 1.414(b)-1 and 7 1.414(c) - 1 to 1.414(c) - 5, or an entity under common control as 8 defined by the internal revenue code shall claim only 1 credit 9 under subsection (20) for each tax year based on each written 10 agreement whether or not a combined or consolidated return is 11 12 filed.

(23) A credit shall not be claimed by a taxpayer under
subsection (20) if the eligible taxpayer's initial certification
under section 9 of the Michigan economic growth authority act,
1995 PA 24, MCL 207.809, is issued after December 31, -2003

17 2009. <<Each tax year that a taxpayer claims a credit under this section, the taxpayer shall attach to its annual return on which the credit is claimed, a statement prepared by a certified public accountant verifying

18 >> that the actual number of new jobs created is the same as 19 the number of retained jobs used to calculate the credit under 20 subsection (20) claimed for the tax year.

(24) If the credit allowed under subsection (20) (a) (ii) or (b) (ii) for the tax year and any unused carryforward of the credit allowed by subsection (20) (a) (ii) or (b) (ii) 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.

(25) If the credit allowed under subsection (20) (a) (i) or
 (b) (i) exceeds the tax liability of the eligible taxpayer for the
 tax year, the excess shall be refunded to the eligible taxpayer.

4 (26) An eligible taxpayer that claims a credit under
5 subsection (1)(a) or (b) is not prohibited from claiming a credit
6 under subsection (20). However, the eligible taxpayer shall not
7 claim a credit under both subsections (1)(a) or (b) and (20)
8 based on the same costs.

9 (27) Eligible investment attributable or related to the 10 operation of a professional sports stadium, and eligible investment that is associated or affiliated with the operation of 11 a professional sports stadium, including, but not limited to, the 12 operation of a parking lot or retail store, shall not be used as 13 a basis for a credit under subsection (2) or (3). Professional 14 sports stadium does not include a professional sports stadium 15 that will no longer be used by a professional sports team on and 16 after the date that an application related to that professional 17 sports stadium is filed under subsection (2) or (3). 18

19 (28) Eligible investment attributable or related to the 20 operation of a casino, and eligible investment that is associated or affiliated with the operation of a casino, including, but not 21 22 limited to, the operation of a parking lot, hotel, motel, or retail store, shall not be used as a basis for a credit under 23 subsection (2) or (3). As used in this subsection, "casino" 24 means a casino regulated by this state pursuant to the Michigan 25 gaming control and revenue act, the Initiated Law of 1996, 26 27 MCL 432.201 to 432.226.

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(29) Eligible investment attributable or related to the
 construction of a new landfill or the expansion of an existing
 landfill regulated under part 115 of the natural resources and
 environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.11501 to
 324.11550, shall not be used as a basis for a credit under
 subsection (2) or (3).

7 (30) The department annually shall prepare and submit to the
8 house of representatives and senate committees responsible for
9 tax policy and economic development issues a report on the
10 credits under subsection (2). The report shall include, but is
11 not limited to, all of the following:

12 (a) A listing of the projects under subsection (2) that were13 approved in the calendar year.

14 (b) The total amount of eligible investment for projects15 approved under subsection (2) in the calendar year.

16 (31) If, after a taxpayer's project has been approved and the taxpayer has received a preapproval letter but before the project 17 is completed, the taxpayer determines that the project cannot be 18 completed as preapproved, the taxpayer may petition the 19 20 department for projects approved under subsection (2) or the Michigan economic growth authority for projects approved under 21 subsection (3) to amend the project. The total of eligible 22 investment for the project as amended shall not exceed the amount 23 allowed in the preapproval letter for that project. 24

25 (32) A project under subsection (2) may be a multiphase
26 project but only if the project is an industrial or manufacturing
27 project. If a project is a multiphase project, when each

component of the multiphase project is completed, the taxpayer 1 shall submit documentation that the component is complete, an 2 accounting of the cost of the component, and the eligible 3 investment for the component of each taxpayer eligible for a 4 5 credit for the project of which the component is a part to the state treasurer or the designee of the state treasurer who shall 6 verify that the component is complete. When the completion of 7 the component is verified, a component completion certificate 8 shall be issued to the qualified taxpayer which shall state that 9 10 the taxpayer is a qualified taxpayer, the credit amount for the component, the qualified taxpayer's federal employer 11 12 identification number or the Michigan treasury number assigned to the taxpayer, and the project number. The taxpayer may assign 13 all or part of the credit for a multiphase project as provided in 14 this section after a component completion certificate for a 15 component is issued. The qualified taxpayer may transfer 16 ownership of or lease the completed component and assign a 17 proportionate share of the credit for the entire project to the 18 qualified taxpayer that is the new owner or lessee. A multiphase 19 20 project shall not be divided into more than 3 components. A component is considered to be completed when a certificate of 21 22 occupancy has been issued by the local municipality in which the project is located for all of the buildings or facilities that 23 comprise the completed component and a component completion 24 certificate is issued. A credit assigned based on a multiphase 25 project shall be claimed by the assignee in the tax year in which 26 27 the assignment is made. The total of all credits for a

1 multiphase project shall not exceed the amount stated in the preapproval letter for the project under subsection (1)(a). 2 Ιf all components of a multiphase project are not completed by 10 3 years after the date on which the preapproval letter for the 4 5 project was issued, the qualified taxpayer that received the preapproval letter for the project shall pay to the state 6 treasurer, as a penalty, an amount equal to the sum of all 7 credits claimed and assigned for all components of the multiphase 8 project and no credits based on that multiphase project shall be 9 claimed after that date by the qualified taxpayer or any assignee 10 of the qualified taxpayer. The penalty under this subsection is 11 12 subject to interest on the amount of the credit claimed or 13 assigned determined individually for each component at the rate in section 23(2) of 1941 PA 122, MCL 205.23 beginning on the date 14 that the credit for that component was claimed or assigned. 15 As used in this subsection, "proportionate share" means the same 16 percentage of the total of all credits for the project that the 17 qualified investment for the completed component is of the total 18 qualified investment stated in the preapproval letter for the 19 20 entire project.

21 (33) As used in this section:

(a) "Annual credit amount" means the maximum amount that a qualified taxpayer is eligible to claim each tax year for a project for which the total of all credits is more than \$10,000,000.00 but \$30,000,000.00 or less, which shall be 10% of the qualified taxpayer's credit amount approved under subsection (3).

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(b) "Authority" means a brownfield redevelopment authority
 created under the brownfield redevelopment financing act, 1996
 PA 381, MCL 125.2651 to 125.2672.

4 (c) "Authorized business", "full-time job", "new capital
5 investment", "retained jobs", and "written agreement" mean those
6 terms as defined in the Michigan economic growth authority act,
7 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.801 to 207.810.

8 (d) "Blighted", "brownfield plan", "eligible activities",
9 "eligible property", "facility", "functionally obsolete", and
10 "response activity" mean those terms as defined in the brownfield
11 redevelopment financing act, 1996 PA 381, MCL 125.2651 to
12 125.2672.

13 (e) "Eligible investment" means demolition, construction, restoration, alteration, renovation, or improvement of buildings 14 or site improvements on eligible property and the addition of 15 machinery, equipment, and fixtures to eligible property after the 16 date that eligible activities on that eligible property have 17 started pursuant to a brownfield plan under the brownfield 18 redevelopment financing act, 1996 PA 381, MCL 125.2651 to 19 20 125.2672, and after the date that the preapproval letter is issued, except that the date that the preapproval letter is 21 issued is not a limitation for 1 project the construction of 22 which began after January 1, 2000 and before January 1, 2001 23 without the Michigan economic growth authority determining that 24 the project would not occur in this state without the tax credit 25 offered under this section as provided in subsection (7), if the 26 27 costs of the eligible investment are not otherwise reimbursed to

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1 the taxpayer or paid for on behalf of the taxpayer from any source other than the taxpayer. The addition of leased 2 machinery, equipment, or fixtures to eligible property by a 3 lessee of the machinery, equipment, or fixtures is eliqible 4 5 investment if the lease of the machinery, equipment, or fixtures has a minimum term of 10 years or is for the expected useful life 6 of the machinery, equipment, or fixtures, and if the owner of the 7 machinery, equipment, or fixtures is not the qualified taxpayer 8 with regard to that machinery, equipment, or fixtures. 9

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10 (f) "Eligible taxpayer" means an eligible business that meets 11 the criteria under section 8(5) of the Michigan economic growth 12 authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.808.

(g) "Michigan economic growth authority" means the Michigan
economic growth authority created in the Michigan economic growth
authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.801 to 207.810.

16 (h) "Multiphase project" means a project for which the total 17 of all credits is \$1,000,000.00 or less for a project approved 18 under subsection (2) that has more than 1 component, each of 19 which can be completed separately.

20 (i) "Payroll" and "tax rate" mean those terms as defined in21 section 37c.

(j) "Personal property" means that term as defined in section
8 of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.8, except
that personal property does not include either of the following:
(i) Personal property described in section 8(h), (i), or (j)

26 of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.8.

27 (*ii*) Buildings described in section 14(6) of the general

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1 property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.14.

2 (k) "Project" means the total of all eligible investment on
3 an eligible property or, for purposes of subsection (5)(b), all
4 eligible investment on property not in a qualified local
5 governmental unit that is a facility.

6 (l) "Qualified local governmental unit" means that term as
7 defined in the obsolete property rehabilitation act, 2000 PA 146,
8 MCL 125.2781 to 125.2797.

9 (m) "Qualified taxpayer" means a taxpayer that meets both of10 the following criteria:

11 (i) Owns or leases eligible property.

12 (ii) Certifies that, except as otherwise provided in this subparagraph, the department of environmental quality has not 13 sued or issued a unilateral order to the taxpayer pursuant to 14 part 201 of the natural resources and environmental protection 15 act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.20101 to 324.20142, to compel response 16 activity on or to the eligible property, or expended any state 17 funds for response activity on or to the eligible property and 18 demanded reimbursement for those expenditures from the qualified 19 20 taxpayer. However, if the taxpayer has completed all response activity required by part 201 of the natural resources and 21 environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.20101 to 22 324.20142, is in compliance with any deed restriction or 23 administrative or judicial order related to the required response 24 activity, and has reimbursed the state for all costs incurred by 25 the state related to the required response activity, the taxpayer 26 meets the criteria under this subparagraph. 27

(n) "Tax liability attributable to authorized business
activity" means the tax liability imposed by this act after the
calculation of credits provided in sections 36, 37, and 39.
Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take
effect unless Senate Bill No. 824
of the 92nd Legislature is enacted into
law.