

HOUSE BILL No. 5775

July 18, 2012, Introduced by Reps. Stapleton, Hobbs, Lane, Haugh and Nathan and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled
"Income tax act of 1967,"
(MCL 206.1 to 206.713) by adding section 277.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 277. (1) FOR TAX YEARS THAT BEGIN AFTER DECEMBER 31,
2 2011, A QUALIFIED TAXPAYER MAY CLAIM A CREDIT AGAINST THE TAX
3 IMPOSED BY THIS ACT EQUAL TO THE COST PAID BY THE QUALIFIED
4 TAXPAYER IN THE TAX YEAR NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000.00 FOR A SINGLE
5 RETURN OR \$2,000.00 FOR A JOINT RETURN FOR CLASSROOM SUPPLIES
6 PURCHASED BY THE QUALIFIED TAXPAYER FOR USE BY DEPENDENTS OF THAT
7 TAXPAYER.

8 (2) IF THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SECTION EXCEEDS THE TAX
9 LIABILITY OF THE TAXPAYER FOR THE TAX YEAR, THAT PORTION THAT
10 EXCEEDS THE TAX LIABILITY SHALL NOT BE REFUNDED.

11 (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION:

1 (A) "CLASSROOM SUPPLIES" MEANS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

2 (i) BOOKS, BOOKS ON TAPES, VIDEOTAPES, CDS, OR DVDS.

3 (ii) COMPUTER PROGRAMS OR DOWNLOADS.

4 (iii) EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, TAPE RECORDERS,
5 HEADPHONES, SCIENCE EQUIPMENT, AND LAB EQUIPMENT.

6 (iv) ART SUPPLIES.

7 (v) FOOD AND OTHER SUPPLIES OR MATERIALS FOR EXPERIMENTS OR
8 PROJECTS CARRIED OUT IN THE CLASSROOM.

9 (vi) OTHER SUPPLIES OR MATERIALS SIMILAR TO THOSE LISTED IN
10 THIS SUBDIVISION.

11 (B) "DEPENDENT" MEANS THAT TERM AS DEFINED UNDER SECTION 30E.

12 (C) "QUALIFIED TAXPAYER" MEANS A TAXPAYER THAT HAS A GROSS
13 INCOME NOT EXCEEDING \$100,000.00 FOR ANY TAX YEAR FOR WHICH THE
14 TAXPAYER CLAIMS A CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION.