MICHIGAN BUSINESS TAX ACT (EXCERPT) Act 36 of 2007

***** 208.1431.new THIS NEW SECTION IS EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008 *****

208.1431.new Taxpayer certified under Michigan economic growth authority; tax credit; amount; certificate; attachment to annual return; statement; number of years; refund; effect of removal of new jobs from state; statement as to number of new jobs created in state; definitions.

Sec. 431. (1) For a period of time not to exceed 20 years as determined by the Michigan economic growth authority, a taxpayer that is an authorized business or an eligible taxpayer may claim a credit against the tax imposed by this act equal to the amount certified each year by the Michigan economic growth authority as follows:

- (a) For an authorized business for the tax year, an amount not to exceed the payroll of the authorized business attributable to employees who perform qualified new jobs as determined under the Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.801 to 207.810, multiplied by the tax rate.
- (b) For an eligible business as determined under section 8(5)(a) of the Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.808, an amount not to exceed 50% of the payroll of the eligible taxpayer attributable to employees who perform retained jobs as determined under the Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.801 to 207.810, multiplied by the tax rate for the tax year.
- (c) For an eligible business as determined under section 8(5)(b) of the Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.808, an amount not to exceed the payroll of the eligible taxpayer attributable to employees who perform retained jobs as determined under the Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.801 to 207.810, multiplied by the tax rate for the tax year.
- (2) A taxpayer shall not claim a credit under this section unless the Michigan economic growth authority has issued a certificate to the taxpayer. The taxpayer shall attach the certificate to the annual return filed under this act on which a credit under this section is claimed.
 - (3) The certificate required by subsection (2) shall state all of the following:
 - (a) The taxpayer is an authorized business or an eligible taxpayer.
- (b) The amount of the credit under this section for the authorized business or eligible taxpayer for the designated tax year.
- (c) The taxpayer's federal employer identification number or the Michigan department of treasury number assigned to the taxpayer.
- (4) The Michigan economic growth authority may certify a credit under this section based on an agreement entered into prior to January 1, 2008 pursuant to section 37c of former 1975 PA 228. The number of years for which the credit may be claimed under this section shall equal the maximum number of years designated in the resolution reduced by the number of years for which a credit has been claimed or could have been claimed under section 37c of former 1975 PA 228.
- (5) 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 of the taxpayer shall be refunded.
- (6) A taxpayer that claims a credit under subsection (1) or section 37c or 37d of former 1975 PA 228, that has an agreement with the Michigan economic growth authority based on qualified new jobs as defined in section 3(n)(ii) of the Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.803, and that removes from this state 51% or more of those qualified new jobs within 3 years after the first year in which the taxpayer claims a credit described in this subsection shall pay to the department no later than 12 months after those qualified new jobs are removed from the state an amount equal to the total of all credits described in this subsection that were claimed by the taxpayer.
- (7) If the Michigan economic growth authority or a designee of the Michigan economic growth authority requests that a taxpayer that claims the credit under this section get a statement prepared by a certified public accountant verifying that the actual number of new jobs created is the same number of new jobs used to calculate the credit under this section, the taxpayer shall get the statement and attach that statement to its annual return under this act on which the credit under this section is claimed.
- (8) A credit shall not be claimed by a taxpayer under this section if the taxpayer's initial certification as required in subsection (3) is issued after December 31, 2013.
- (9) For purposes of this section, taxpayer includes a person subject to the tax imposed under chapters 2A and 2B.
 - (10) As used in this section:
- (a) "Authorized business", "facility", "full-time job", "qualified high-technology business", and "written Rendered Thursday, January 03, 2008

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agreement" mean those terms as defined in the Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.801 to 207.810.

- (b) "Eligible taxpayer" means an authorized business that meets the criteria under section 8(5) of the Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.808.
- (c) "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.
 - (d) "Payroll" means the total salaries and wages before deducting any personal or dependency exemptions.
 - (e) "Qualified new jobs" means 1 or more of the following:
- (i) The average number of full-time jobs at a facility of an authorized business for a tax year in excess of the average number of full-time jobs the authorized business maintained in this state prior to the expansion or location as that is determined under the Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.801 to 207.810.
- (ii) The average number of full-time jobs at a facility created by an eligible business within 120 days before becoming an authorized business that is in excess of the average number of full-time jobs that the business maintained in this state 120 days before becoming an authorized business, as determined under the Michigan economic growth authority act, 1995 PA 24, MCL 207.801 to 207.810.
- (f) "Tax rate" means the rate imposed under section 51e of the income tax act of 1967, 1967 PA 281, MCL 206.51e, for the tax year in which the tax year of the taxpayer for which the credit is being computed begins.

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Compiler's note: Enacting section 1 of Act 36 of 2007 provides:

"Enacting section 1. This act takes effect January 1, 2008 and applies to all business activity occurring after December 31, 2007."

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