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AN ACT

To repeal sections 143.191, 143.801, and 144.020, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating taxation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

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Section A. Sections 143.191, 143.801, and 144.020, RSMo, are repealed and four new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 143.191, 143.266, 143.801, and 144.020, to read as follows:

- 143.191. 1. Every employer maintaining an office or transacting any business within this state and making payment of any wages taxable under [sections 143.011 to 143.998] this chapter to a resident or nonresident individual shall deduct and withhold from such wages for each payroll period the amount provided in subsection 3 of this section.
- 2. The term "wages" referred to in subsection 1 of this section means wages as defined by section 3401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The term "employer" means any person, firm, corporation, association, fiduciary of any kind, or other type of organization for whom an individual performs service as an employee, except that if the person or organization for whom the individual performs service does not have control of the payment of compensation for such service, the term "employer" means the person having control of the 10 payment of the compensation. The term includes the United States, this state, other states, and all agencies, instrumentalities, and subdivisions of any of them.
 - 3. (1) The method of determining the amount to be withheld shall be prescribed by regulations of the director of revenue. The prescribed table, percentages, or other method shall result, so far as practicable, in withholding from the employee's wages during each calendar year an amount substantially equivalent to the tax reasonably estimated to be due from the employee

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

under [sections 143.011 to 143.998] **this chapter** with respect to the amount of such wages included in his Missouri adjusted gross income during the calendar year.

- (2) The amount to be withheld by an employer with respect to tips received by an employee in the course of the employee's employment shall be calculated based solely on the amount of tips reported by the employee in a written statement furnished to the employer as required by Section 6053(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and only to the extent that collection can be made by the employer, at or after the time such statement is furnished and before the close of the calendar year in which the statement is furnished, by deducting the amount of the tax from such employee's wages under the control of the employer, excluding tips and any amounts which the employer is obligated to withhold and remit to the federal government, but including funds turned over by the employee to the employer to be used for Missouri income tax withholding. The employer shall have no Missouri income tax withholding obligation with respect to an employee's under-reported tips.
- 4. For purposes of this section an employee shall be entitled to the same number of personal and dependency withholding exemptions as the number of exemptions to which he is entitled for federal income tax withholding purposes. An employer may rely upon the number of federal withholding exemptions claimed by the employee, except where the employee provides the employer with a form claiming a different number of withholding exemptions in this state.
- 5. The director of revenue may enter into agreements with the tax departments of other states (which require income tax to be withheld from the payment of wages) so as to govern the amounts to be withheld from the wages of residents of such states under this section. Such agreements may provide for recognition of anticipated tax credits in determining the amounts to be withheld and, under regulations prescribed by the director of revenue, may relieve employers in this state from withholding income tax on wages paid to nonresident employees. The agreements authorized by this subsection are subject to the condition that the tax department of such other states grant similar treatment to residents of this state.
- 6. The director of revenue shall enter into agreements with the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States or with the appropriate secretaries of the respective branches of the Armed Forces of the United States for the withholding, as required by subsections 1 and 2 of this section, of income taxes due the state of Missouri on wages or other payments for service in the armed services of the United States or on payments received as retirement or retainer pay of any member or former member of the Armed Forces entitled to such pay.
- 7. Subject to appropriations for the purpose of implementing this section, the director of revenue shall comply with provisions of the laws of the United States as amended and the

- regulations promulgated thereto in order that all residents of this state receiving monthly retirement income as a civil service annuitant from the federal government taxable by this state may have withheld monthly from any such moneys, whether pension, annuities or otherwise, an amount for payment of state income taxes as required by state law, but such withholding shall not be less than twenty-five dollars per quarter.
- 8. The provisions of this section shall not apply to out-of-state businesses operating under sections 190.270 to 190.285.
 - 143.266. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Missouri Supporting Families Income Tax Holiday Act".
- 2. The department of revenue may conduct a review of the collection of withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265 in all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, but ending on or before December 31, 2018, to determine the average amount of withholding tax collected in each month in all such tax years to determine in which month the amount of withholding tax collected is the lowest.
 - 3. The department shall submit its report to the general assembly no later than February 1, 2019.
 - 4. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:
 - (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset on December thirty-first six years after the effective date of this section unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly; and
 - (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset on December thirty-first twelve years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section; and
 - (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset. The termination of the program as described in this subsection shall not be construed to preclude any taxpayer who claims any benefit under any program that is sunset under this subsection from claiming such benefit for all allowable activities related to such claim that were completed before the program was sunset, or to eliminate any responsibility of the administering agency to verify the continued eligibility of projects receiving tax credits and to enforce other requirements of law that applied before the program was sunset.
 - 143.801. 1. A claim for credit or refund of an overpayment of any tax imposed by sections 143.011 to 143.996 shall be filed by the taxpayer within three years from the time the return was filed or two years from the time the tax was paid, whichever of such periods expires the later; or if no return was filed by the taxpayer, within two years from the time the tax was paid. No credit or refund shall be allowed or made after the expiration of the period of limitation

6 prescribed in this subsection for the filing of a claim for credit or refund, unless a claim for credit 7 or refund is filed by the taxpayer within such period.

- 2. If the claim is filed by the taxpayer during the three-year period prescribed in subsection 1 **of this section**, the amount of the credit or refund shall not exceed the portion of the tax paid within the three years immediately preceding the filing of the claim plus the period of any extension of time for filing the return. If the claim is not filed within such three-year period, but is filed within the two-year period, the amount of the credit or refund shall not exceed the portion of the tax paid during the two years immediately preceding the filing of the claim. If no claim is filed, the credit or refund shall not exceed the amount which would be allowable under either of the preceding sentences, as the case may be, if a claim was filed on the date the credit or refund is allowed.
- 3. If pursuant to subsection 6 of section 143.711 an agreement for an extension of the period for assessment of income taxes is made within the period prescribed in subsection 1 of this section for the filing of a claim for credit or refund, the period for filing a claim for credit or for making a credit or refund if no claim is filed, shall not expire prior to six months after the expiration of the period within which an assessment may be made pursuant to the agreement or any extension thereof. The amount of such credit or refund shall not exceed the portion of the tax paid after the execution of the agreement and before the filing of the claim or the making of the credit or refund, as the case may be, plus the portion of the tax paid within the period which would be applicable under subsection 1 of this section if a claim had been filed on the date the agreement was executed.
- 4. If a taxpayer is required by section 143.601 to report a change or correction in federal taxable income reported on his federal income tax return, or to report a change or correction which is treated in the same manner as if it were an overpayment for federal income tax purposes, an amended return or a claim for credit or refund of any resulting overpayment of tax shall be filed by the taxpayer within one year from the time the notice of such change or correction or such amended return was required to be filed with the director of revenue. If the report or amended return required by section 143.601 is not filed within the ninety-day period therein specified, interest on any resulting refund or credit shall cease to accrue after such ninetieth day. The amount of such credit or refund shall not exceed the amount of the reduction in tax attributable to:
- (1) The issues on which such federal change or correction or the items amended on the taxpayer's amended federal income tax return are based[,]; and
- (2) Any change in the amount of [his] the taxpayer's federal income tax deduction under the provisions of subsection 1 of section 143.171. No effect shall be given in the preceding sentence to any federal change or correction or to any item on an amended return

unless it is timely under the applicable federal period of limitations. The time and amount provisions of this subsection shall be in lieu of any other provisions of this section. This subsection shall not affect the time within which or the amount for which a claim for credit or refund may be filed apart from this subsection.

- 5. If the claim for credit or refund relates to an overpayment of tax on account of the deductibility by the taxpayer of a debt as a debt which became worthless or a loss from worthlessness of a security or the effect that the deductibility of a debt or of a loss has on the application to the taxpayer of a carryover, the claim may be made, under regulations prescribed by the director of revenue within seven years from the date prescribed by law for filing the return for the year with respect to which the claim is made.
- 6. If the claim for credit or refund relates to an overpayment attributable to a net operating loss carryback or a capital loss carryback, in lieu of the three-year period of limitations prescribed in subsection 1 of this section, the period shall be that period which ends with the expiration of the fifteenth day of the fortieth month (or the thirty-ninth month, in the case of a corporation) following the end of the taxable year of the net operating loss or net capital loss which results in such carryback, or the period prescribed in subsection 3 of this section in respect of such taxable year, whichever expires later. In the case of such a claim, the amount of the credit or refund may exceed the portion of the tax paid within the period provided in subsections 2, 3 and 4 of this section, whichever is applicable, to the extent of the amount of the overpayment attributable to such carryback.
- 7. (1) No period of limitations provided in subsections 1 to 6 of this section shall apply if the director of revenue examines or causes to have examined any return filed and retained under section 143.971 and:
- (a) Such examination is conducted after any period of limitations provided in subsections 1 to 6 of this section has expired;
- (b) Such examination reveals that the taxpayer is eligible to claim a credit or refund of an overpayment of any tax imposed under this chapter; and
- (c) A period of limitations provided in subsections 1 to 6 of this section prohibits the taxpayer from claiming such credit or refund.
- (2) The director shall notify the taxpayer of any overpayment discovered under this subsection and inform the taxpayer of the procedure for filing a claim for a credit or refund of such overpayment. If the taxpayer files a claim for such credit or refund, the claim shall be filed in the manner provided in this chapter and shall be filed within one year from the time the director provided notice to the taxpayer.
- 144.020. 1. A tax is hereby levied and imposed for the privilege of titling new and used 2 motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased or acquired for use on the

- highways or waters of this state which are required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri and, except as provided in subdivision (9) of this subsection, upon all sellers for the privilege of engaging in the business of selling tangible personal property or rendering taxable service at retail in this state. The rate of tax shall be as follows:
 - (1) Upon every retail sale in this state of tangible personal property, excluding motor vehicles, trailers, motorcycles, mopeds, motortricycles, boats and outboard motors required to be titled under the laws of the state of Missouri and subject to tax under subdivision (9) of this subsection, a tax equivalent to four percent of the purchase price paid or charged, or in case such sale involves the exchange of property, a tax equivalent to four percent of the consideration paid or charged, including the fair market value of the property exchanged at the time and place of the exchange, except as otherwise provided in section 144.025;
 - (2) A tax equivalent to four percent of the amount paid for admission and seating accommodations, or fees paid to, or in any place of amusement, entertainment or recreation, games and athletic events;
 - (3) A tax equivalent to four percent of the basic rate paid or charged on all sales of electricity or electrical current, water and gas, natural or artificial, to domestic, commercial or industrial consumers;
 - (4) A tax equivalent to four percent on the basic rate paid or charged on all sales of local and long distance telecommunications service to telecommunications subscribers and to others through equipment of telecommunications subscribers for the transmission of messages and conversations and upon the sale, rental or leasing of all equipment or services pertaining or incidental thereto; except that, the payment made by telecommunications subscribers or others, pursuant to section 144.060, and any amounts paid for access to the internet or interactive computer services shall not be considered as amounts paid for telecommunications services;
 - (5) A tax equivalent to four percent of the basic rate paid or charged for all sales of services for transmission of messages of telegraph companies;
 - (6) A tax equivalent to four percent on the amount of sales or charges for all rooms, meals and drinks furnished at any hotel, motel, tavern, inn, restaurant, eating house, drugstore, dining car, tourist cabin, tourist camp or other place in which rooms, meals or drinks are regularly served to the public. The tax imposed under this subdivision shall not apply to any automatic mandatory gratuity for a large group imposed by a restaurant when such gratuity is reported as employee tip income and the restaurant withholds income tax under section 143.191 on such gratuity;
 - (7) A tax equivalent to four percent of the amount paid or charged for intrastate tickets by every person operating a railroad, sleeping car, dining car, express car, boat, airplane and such buses and trucks as are licensed by the division of motor carrier and railroad safety of the

department of economic development of Missouri, engaged in the transportation of persons for hire;

- (8) A tax equivalent to four percent of the amount paid or charged for rental or lease of tangible personal property, provided that if the lessor or renter of any tangible personal property had previously purchased the property under the conditions of "sale at retail" or leased or rented the property and the tax was paid at the time of purchase, lease or rental, the lessor, sublessor, renter or subrenter shall not apply or collect the tax on the subsequent lease, sublease, rental or subrental receipts from that property. The purchase, rental or lease of motor vehicles, trailers, motorcycles, mopeds, motortricycles, boats, and outboard motors shall be taxed and the tax paid as provided in this section and section 144.070. In no event shall the rental or lease of boats and outboard motors be considered a sale, charge, or fee to, for or in places of amusement, entertainment or recreation nor shall any such rental or lease be subject to any tax imposed to, for, or in such places of amusement, entertainment or recreation. Rental and leased boats or outboard motors shall be taxed under the provisions of the sales tax laws as provided under such laws for motor vehicles and trailers. Tangible personal property which is exempt from the sales or use tax under section 144.030 upon a sale thereof is likewise exempt from the sales or use tax upon the lease or rental thereof;
- (9) A tax equivalent to four percent of the purchase price, as defined in section 144.070, of new and used motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors purchased or acquired for use on the highways or waters of this state which are required to be registered under the laws of the state of Missouri. This tax is imposed on the person titling such property, and shall be paid according to the procedures in section 144.440.
- 2. All tickets sold which are sold under the provisions of sections 144.010 to 144.525 which are subject to the sales tax shall have printed, stamped or otherwise endorsed thereon, the words "This ticket is subject to a sales tax.".

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