

General Assembly

February Session, 2022

## Substitute Bill No. 98



## AN ACT EXTENDING THE MANUFACTURING APPRENTICESHIP TAX CREDIT TO PASS-THROUGH ENTITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 12-217g of the 2022 supplement to the general
- 2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 3 (Effective July 1, 2022, and applicable to income or taxable years commencing
- 4 on or after January 1, 2022):
- 5 (a) (1) There shall be allowed a credit for any taxpayer against the tax
- 6 imposed under this chapter, chapter 228z or chapter 229, other than the
- 7 <u>liability imposed by section 12-707</u>, for any income <u>or taxable</u> year with
- 8 respect to each apprenticeship in the manufacturing trades commenced
- 9 by such taxpayer in such year under a qualified apprenticeship training
- 10 program as described in subsection (d) of this section, certified in
- accordance with regulations adopted <u>in accordance with the provisions</u>
- 12 <u>of chapter 54</u> by the Labor Commissioner and registered with the Labor
- 13 Department under section 31-22r, in an amount equal to six dollars per
- 14 hour multiplied by the total number of hours worked during the income
- or taxable year by apprentices in the first half of a two-year term of
- 16 apprenticeship and the first three-quarters of a four-year term of
- 17 apprenticeship, provided the amount of credit allowed for any income
- or taxable year with respect to each such apprenticeship may not exceed
- 19 seven thousand five hundred dollars or fifty per cent of actual wages
- 20 paid in such [income] year to an apprentice in the first half of a two-year

- 21 term of apprenticeship or in the first three-quarters of a four-year term
- of apprenticeship, whichever is less. [(2) Effective for] For income or
- 23 <u>taxable</u> years commencing on [and] <u>or</u> after January 1, 2015, for
- 24 purposes of this subsection, "taxpayer" includes an affected business
- entity, as defined in section 12-284b. [Any]

- (2) (A) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2015, but prior to January 1 2022, any affected business entity allowed a credit under this subsection may sell, assign or otherwise transfer such credit, in whole or in part, to one or more taxpayers to offset any state tax due or otherwise payable by such taxpayers under this chapter, or, with respect to [income] taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2016, but prior to January 1, 2022, chapter 212 or 227, provided such credit may be sold, assigned or otherwise transferred, in whole or in part, not more than three times.
- (B) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2022, (i) if a taxpayer is an S corporation or an entity that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes, the shareholders or partners of such taxpayer may claim the credit under this subsection, and (ii) if a taxpayer is a single member limited liability company that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, the limited liability company's owner may claim the credit under this subsection.
- (b) There shall be allowed a credit for any taxpayer against the tax imposed under this chapter for any income year with respect to each apprenticeship in plastics and plastics-related trades commenced by such taxpayer in such year under a qualified apprenticeship training program as described in <u>subsection (d) of</u> this section, certified in accordance with regulations adopted <u>in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54</u> by the Labor Commissioner and registered with the Labor Department under section 31-22r, which apprenticeship exceeds the average number of such apprenticeships begun by such taxpayer during the five income years immediately preceding the income year with respect to which such credit is allowed, in an amount equal to four dollars per hour multiplied by the total number of hours worked during

the income year by apprentices in the first half of a two-year term of apprenticeship and the first three-quarters of a four-year term of apprenticeship, provided the amount of credit allowed for any income year with respect to each such apprenticeship may not exceed four thousand eight hundred dollars or fifty per cent of actual wages paid in such income year to an apprentice in the first half of a two-year term of apprenticeship or in the first three-quarters of a four-year term of apprenticeship, whichever is less.

- (c) There shall be allowed a credit for any taxpayer against the tax imposed under this chapter for any income year with respect to wages paid to apprentices in the construction trades by such taxpayer in such year that the apprentice and taxpayer participate in a qualified apprenticeship training program, as described in <u>subsection</u> (d) of this section, which (1) is at least four years in duration, (2) is certified in accordance with regulations adopted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 by the Labor Commissioner, and (3) is registered with the Labor Department under section 31-22r. The tax credit shall be (A) in an amount equal to two dollars per hour multiplied by the total number of hours completed by each apprentice toward completion of such program, and (B) awarded upon completion and notification of completion of such program in the income year in which such completion and notification occur, provided the amount of credit allowed for such income year with respect to each such apprentice may not exceed four thousand dollars or fifty per cent of actual wages paid over the first four income years for such apprenticeship, whichever is less.
- (d) For purposes of this section, a qualified apprenticeship training program shall require at least four thousand but not more than eight thousand hours of apprenticeship training for certification of such apprenticeship by the Labor Department. The amount of credit allowed any taxpayer under this section for any income <u>or taxable</u> year may not exceed the amount of tax due from such taxpayer under this chapter, <u>chapter 228z or chapter 229</u>, with respect to such income <u>or taxable</u> year.

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This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2022, and applicable to income or taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2022	12-217g

## Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In the introductory language of Section 1, "of the general statutes" was changed to "of the 2022 supplement to the general statutes" for accuracy, in Subsecs. (a)(1), (b), (c)(3) and (d), "Connecticut State Apprenticeship Council established" was changed to "Labor Department" and "31-22n" was changed to "31-22r" for statutory accuracy.

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