1		AN	ACT	relatir	ng to the limited liability entity tax.
2	Be i	t enac	ted by	y the (General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:
3		→ S	ection	1. K	XRS 141.0401 is amended to read as follows:
4	(1)	As u	ised in	n this s	section:
5		(a)	"Ke	ntucky	gross receipts" means an amount equal to the computation of the
6			num	erator	of the apportionment fraction under KRS 141.120, any
7			adm	inistra	ative regulations related to the computation of the sales factor, and
8			KRS	S 141.	121 and includes the proportionate share of Kentucky gross receipts
9			of a	all wl	nolly or partially owned limited liability pass-through entities
10			incl	uding	all layers of a multi-layered pass-through structure;
11		(b)	"Gro	oss rec	ceipts from all sources" means an amount equal to the computation
12			of the	he dei	nominator of the apportionment fraction under KRS 141.120, any
13			adm	inistra	ative regulations related to the computation of the sales factor, and
14			KRS	S 141.	121 and includes the proportionate share of gross receipts from all
15			sour	ces of	all wholly or partially owned limited liability pass-through entities
16			incl	uding	all layers of a multi-layered pass-through structure;
17		(c)	"Aff	filiated	d group" has the same meaning as in KRS 141.201;
18		(d)	"Co	st of g	oods sold" means:
19			1.	Amo	ounts that are:
20				a.	Allowable as cost of goods sold pursuant to the Internal Revenue
21					Code and any guidelines issued by the Internal Revenue Service
22					relating to cost of goods sold, unless modified by this paragraph
23					and
24				b.	Incurred in acquiring or producing the tangible product generating
25					the Kentucky gross receipts.
26			2.	For	manufacturing, producing, reselling, retailing, or wholesaling

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activities, cost of goods sold shall only include costs directly incurred in

1		acquiring or producing the tangible product. In determining cost of
2		goods sold:
3		a. Labor costs shall be limited to direct labor costs as defined in
4		paragraph (f) of this subsection;
5		b. Bulk delivery costs as defined in paragraph (g) of this subsection
6		may be included; and
7		c. Costs allowable under Section 263A of the Internal Revenue Code
8		may be included only to the extent the costs are incurred in
9		acquiring or producing the tangible product generating the
10		Kentucky gross receipts. Notwithstanding the foregoing, indirect
11		labor costs allowable under Section 263A shall not be included;
12		3. For any activity other than manufacturing, producing, reselling,
13		retailing, or wholesaling, no costs shall be included in cost of goods
14		sold.
15		As used in this paragraph, "guidelines issued by the Internal Revenue Service"
16		includes regulations, private letter rulings, or any other guidance issued by the
17		Internal Revenue Service that may be relied upon by taxpayers under reliance
18		standards established by the Internal Revenue Service;
19	(e)	1. "Kentucky gross profits" means Kentucky gross receipts reduced by
20		returns and allowances attributable to Kentucky gross receipts, less the
21		cost of goods sold attributable to Kentucky gross receipts. If the amount
22		of returns and allowances attributable to Kentucky gross receipts and the
23		cost of goods sold attributable to Kentucky gross receipts is zero, then
24		"Kentucky gross profits" means Kentucky gross receipts; and
25		2. "Gross profits from all sources" means gross receipts from all sources
26		reduced by returns and allowances attributable to gross receipts from all
27		sources, less the cost of goods sold attributable to gross receipts from all

1			sources. If the amount of returns and allowances attributable to gross
2			receipts from all sources and the cost of goods sold attributable to gross
3			receipts from all sources is zero, then gross profits from all sources
4			means gross receipts from all sources;
5		(f)	"Direct labor" means labor that is incorporated into the tangible product sold
6			or is an integral part of the manufacturing process;
7		(g)	"Bulk delivery costs" means the cost of delivering the product to the
8			consumer if:
9			1. The tangible product is delivered in bulk and requires specialized
10			equipment that generally precludes commercial shipping; and
11			2. The tangible product is taxable under KRS 138.220;
12		(h)	"Manufacturing" and "producing" means:
13			1. Manufacturing, producing, constructing, or assembling components to
14			produce a significantly different or enhanced end tangible product;
15			2. Mining or severing natural resources from the earth; or
16			3. Growing or raising agricultural or horticultural products or animals;
17		(i)	"Real property" means land and anything growing on, attached to, or erected
18			on it, excluding anything that may be severed without injury to the land;
19		(j)	"Reselling," "retailing," and "wholesaling" mean the sale of a tangible
20			product;
21		(k)	"Tangible personal property" means property, other than real property, that
22			has physical form and characteristics; and
23		(1)	"Tangible product" means real property and tangible personal property;
24	(2)	(a)	For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2007, but prior to January
25			1, 2025, an annual limited liability entity tax shall be paid by every
26			corporation and every limited liability pass-through entity doing business in
27			Kentucky on all Kentucky gross receipts or Kentucky gross profits except as

provided in this subsection. A small business exclusion from this tax shall be provided based on the reduction contained in this subsection. The tax shall be the greater of the amount computed under paragraph (b) of this subsection or one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175), regardless of the application of any tax credits provided under this chapter or any other provisions of the Kentucky Revised Statutes for which the business entity may qualify.

- (b) The limited liability entity tax shall be the lesser of subparagraph 1. or 2. of this paragraph:
 - a. If the corporation's or limited liability pass-through entity's gross receipts from all sources are three million dollars (\$3,000,000) or less, the limited liability entity tax shall be one hundred seventyfive dollars (\$175);
 - b. If the corporation's or limited liability pass-through entity's gross receipts from all sources are greater than three million dollars (\$3,000,000) but less than six million dollars (\$6,000,000), the limited liability entity tax shall be nine and one-half cents (\$0.095) per one hundred dollars (\$100) of the corporation's or limited liability pass-through entity's Kentucky gross receipts reduced by an amount equal to two thousand eight hundred fifty dollars (\$2,850) multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is six million dollars (\$6,000,000) less the amount of the corporation's or limited liability pass-through entity's Kentucky gross receipts for the taxable year, and the denominator of which is three million dollars (\$3,000,000), but in no case shall the result be less than one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175);
 - c. If the corporation's or limited liability pass-through entity's gross receipts from all sources are equal to or greater than six million

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1			dollars (\$6,000,000), the limited liability entity tax shall be nine
2			and one-half cents (\$0.095) per one hundred dollars (\$100) of the
3			corporation's or limited liability pass-through entity's Kentucky
4			gross receipts.
5	2.	a.	If the corporation's or limited liability pass-through entity's gross
6			profits from all sources are three million dollars (\$3,000,000) or
7			less, the limited liability entity tax shall be one hundred seventy-
8			five dollars (\$175);
9		b.	If the corporation's or limited liability pass-through entity's gross
10			profits from all sources are at least three million dollars
11			(\$3,000,000) but less than six million dollars (\$6,000,000), the
12			limited liability entity tax shall be seventy-five cents (\$0.75) per
13			one hundred dollars (\$100) of the corporation's or limited liability
14			pass-through entity's Kentucky gross profits, reduced by an
15			amount equal to twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars
16			(\$22,500) multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is six
17			million dollars (\$6,000,000) less the amount of the corporation's or
18			limited liability pass-through entity's Kentucky gross profits, and
19			the denominator of which is three million dollars (\$3,000,000), but
20			in no case shall the result be less than one hundred seventy-five
21			dollars (\$175);
22		c.	If the corporation's or limited liability pass-through entity's gross
23			profits from all sources are equal to or greater than six million
24			dollars (\$6,000,000), the limited liability entity tax shall be
25			seventy-five cents (\$0.75) per one hundred dollars (\$100) of all of
26			the corporation's or limited liability pass-through entity's Kentucky

gross profits.

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In determining eligibility for the reductions contained in this paragraph, a member of an affiliated group shall consider the total gross receipts and the total gross profits from all sources of the entire affiliated group, including eliminating entries for transactions among the group.

- (c) A credit shall be allowed against the tax imposed under paragraph (a) of this subsection for the current year to a corporation or limited liability pass-through entity that owns an interest in a limited liability pass-through entity. The credit shall be the proportionate share of tax calculated under this subsection by the lower-level pass-through entity, as determined after the amount of tax calculated by the pass-through entity has been reduced by the minimum tax of one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175). The credit shall apply across multiple layers of a multi-layered pass-through entity structure. The credit at each layer shall include the credit from each lower layer, after reduction for the minimum tax of one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175) at each layer.
- (d) The department may promulgate administrative regulations to establish a method for calculating the cost of goods sold attributable to Kentucky.
- (3) A nonrefundable credit based on the tax calculated under subsection (2) of this section shall be allowed against the tax imposed by KRS 141.020 or 141.040 *for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2007, but prior to January 1, 2025*. The credit amount shall be determined as follows:
 - (a) The credit allowed a corporation subject to the tax imposed by KRS 141.040 shall be equal to the amount of tax calculated under subsection (2) of this section for the current year after subtraction of any credits identified in KRS 141.0205, reduced by the minimum tax of one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175), plus any credit determined in paragraph (b) of this subsection for tax paid by wholly or partially owned limited liability pass-through entities. The

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amount of credit allowed to a corporation based on the amount of tax paid under subsection (2) of this section for the current year shall be applied to the income tax due from the corporation's activities in this state. Any remaining credit from the corporation shall be disallowed.

- (b) The credit allowed members, shareholders, or partners of a limited liability pass-through entity shall be the members', shareholders', or partners' proportionate share of the tax calculated under subsection (2) of this section for the current year after subtraction of any credits identified in KRS 141.0205, as determined after the amount of tax paid has been reduced by the minimum tax of one hundred seventy-five dollars (\$175). The credit allowed to members, shareholders, or partners of a limited liability pass-through entity shall be applied to income tax assessed on income from the limited liability pass-through entity. Any remaining credit from the limited liability pass-through entity shall be disallowed.
- (4) Each taxpayer subject to the tax imposed in this section shall file a return, on forms prepared by the department, on or before the fifteenth day of the fourth month following the close of the taxpayer's taxable year. Any tax remaining due after making the payments required in KRS 141.044 shall be paid by the original due date of the return.
- 20 (5) The department shall prescribe forms and promulgate administrative regulations as 21 needed to administer the provisions of this section.
- 22 (6) The tax imposed by subsection (2) of this section shall not apply to:
- 23 (a) For taxable years beginning prior to January 1, 2021:
 - 1. Financial institutions, as defined in KRS 136.500, except banker's banks organized under KRS 287.135 or 286.3-135;
 - 2. Savings and loan associations organized under the laws of this state and under the laws of the United States and making loans to members only;

1	3.	Banks for cooperatives;
2	4.	Production credit associations;
3	5.	Insurance companies, including farmers' or other mutual hail, cyclone,
4		windstorm, or fire insurance companies, insurers, and reciprocal
5		underwriters;
6	6.	Corporations or other entities exempt under Section 501 of the Internal
7		Revenue Code;
8	7.	Religious, educational, charitable, or like corporations not organized or
9		conducted for pecuniary profit;
10	8.	Corporations whose only owned or leased property located in this state
11		is located at the premises of a printer with which it has contracted for
12		printing, provided that:
13		a. The property consists of the final printed product, or copy from
14		which the printed product is produced; and
15		b. The corporation has no individuals receiving compensation in this
16		state as provided in KRS 141.901;
17	9.	Public service corporations subject to tax under KRS 136.120;
18	10.	Open-end registered investment companies organized under the laws of
19		this state and registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940;
20	11.	Any property or facility which has been certified as a fluidized bed
21		energy production facility as defined in KRS 211.390;
22	12.	An alcohol production facility as defined in KRS 247.910;
23	13.	Real estate investment trusts as defined in Section 856 of the Internal
24		Revenue Code;
25	14.	Regulated investment companies as defined in Section 851 of the
26		Internal Revenue Code;
27	15.	Real estate mortgage investment conduits as defined in Section 860D of

the Internal Revenue Code;

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2		16.	Personal service corporations as defined in Section 269A(b)(1) of the
3			Internal Revenue Code;
4		17.	Cooperatives described in Sections 521 and 1381 of the Internal
5			Revenue Code, including farmers' agricultural and other cooperatives
6			organized or recognized under KRS Chapter 272, advertising
7			cooperatives, purchasing cooperatives, homeowners associations
8			including those described in Section 528 of the Internal Revenue Code,
9			political organizations as defined in Section 527 of the Internal Revenue
10			Code, and rural electric and rural telephone cooperatives; or
11		18.	Publicly traded partnerships as defined by Section 7704(b) of the
12			Internal Revenue Code that are treated as partnerships for federal tax
13			purposes under Section 7704(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, or their
14			publicly traded partnership affiliates. "Publicly traded partnership
15			affiliates" shall include any limited liability company or limited
16			partnership for which at least eighty percent (80%) of the limited
17			liability company member interests or limited partner interests are
18			owned directly or indirectly by the publicly traded partnership; and
19	(b)	For	taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2021:
20		1.	Insurance companies, including farmers' or other mutual hail, cyclone,
21			windstorm, or fire insurance companies, insurers, and reciprocal
22			underwriters;
23		2.	Corporations or other entities exempt under Section 501 of the Internal
24			Revenue Code;
25		3.	Religious, educational, charitable, or like corporations not organized or
26			conducted for pecuniary profit;
27		4.	Corporations whose only owned or leased property located in this state

1		is located at the premises of a printer with which it has contracted for
2		printing, provided that:
3		a. The property consists of the final printed product, or copy from
4		which the printed product is produced; and
5		b. The corporation has no individuals receiving compensation in this
6		state as provided in KRS 141.901;
7	5.	Public service corporations subject to tax under KRS 136.120;
8	6.	Open-end registered investment companies organized under the laws of
9		this state and registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940;
10	7.	Any property or facility which has been certified as a fluidized bed
11		energy production facility as defined in KRS 211.390;
12	8.	An alcohol production facility as defined in KRS 247.910;
13	9.	Real estate investment trusts as defined in Section 856 of the Internal
14		Revenue Code;
15	10.	Regulated investment companies as defined in Section 851 of the
16		Internal Revenue Code;
17	11.	Real estate mortgage investment conduits as defined in Section 860D of
18		the Internal Revenue Code;
19	12.	Personal service corporations as defined in Section 269A(b)(1) of the
20		Internal Revenue Code;
21	13.	Cooperatives described in Sections 521 and 1381 of the Internal
22		Revenue Code, including farmers' agricultural and other cooperatives
23		organized or recognized under KRS Chapter 272, advertising
24		cooperatives, purchasing cooperatives, homeowners associations
25		including those described in Section 528 of the Internal Revenue Code,
26		political organizations as defined in Section 527 of the Internal Revenue
27		Code, and rural electric and rural telephone cooperatives; or

1	14.	Publicly traded partnerships as defined by Section 7704(b) of the
2		Internal Revenue Code that are treated as partnerships for federal tax
3		purposes under Section 7704(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, or their
1		publicly traded partnership affiliates. "Publicly traded partnership
5		affiliates" shall include any limited liability company or limited
5		partnership for which at least eighty percent (80%) of the limited
7		liability company member interests or limited partner interests are
3		owned directly or indirectly by the publicly traded partnership.

- (7) (a) As used in this subsection, "qualified exempt organization" means an entity listed in subsection (6)(a) and (b) of this section and shall not include any entity whose exempt status has been disallowed by the Internal Revenue Service.
 - (b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, any limited liability pass-through entity that is owned in whole or in part by a qualified exempt organization shall, in calculating its Kentucky gross receipts or Kentucky gross profits, exclude the proportionate share of its Kentucky gross receipts or Kentucky gross profits attributable to the ownership interest of the qualified exempt organization.
 - (c) Any limited liability pass-through entity that reduces Kentucky gross receipts or Kentucky gross profits in accordance with paragraph (b) of this subsection shall disregard the ownership interest of the qualified exempt organization in determining the amount of credit available under subsection (3) of this section.
 - (d) The Department of Revenue may promulgate an administrative regulation to further define "qualified exempt organization" to include an entity for which exemption is constitutionally or legally required, or to exclude any entity created primarily for tax avoidance purposes with no legitimate business

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1		purpose.
2	(8) The	credit permitted by subsection (3) of this section shall flow through multiple
3	laye	rs of limited liability pass-through entities and shall be claimed by the taxpayer
4	who	ultimately pays the tax on the income of the limited liability pass-through
5	entit	ry.
6	→ S	ection 2. KRS 141.0205 is amended to read as follows:
7	If a taxpa	yer is entitled to more than one (1) of the tax credits allowed against the tax
8	imposed b	by KRS 141.020, 141.040, and 141.0401, the priority of application and use of
9	the credits	s shall be determined as follows:
10	(1) The	nonrefundable business incentive credits against the tax imposed by KRS
11	141.	020 shall be taken in the following order:
12	(a)	The limited liability entity tax credit permitted by KRS 141.0401 for taxable
13		years beginning on or after January 1, 2007, but prior to January 1, 2025;
14	(b)	The economic development credits computed under KRS 141.347, 141.381
15		141.384, 141.3841, 141.400, 141.403, 141.407, 141.415, 154.12-207, and
16		154.12-2088;
17	(c)	The qualified farming operation credit permitted by KRS 141.412;
18	(d)	The certified rehabilitation credit permitted by KRS 171.397(1)(a);
19	(e)	The health insurance credit permitted by KRS 141.062;
20	(f)	The tax paid to other states credit permitted by KRS 141.070;
21	(g)	The credit for hiring the unemployed permitted by KRS 141.065;
22	(h)	The recycling or composting equipment credit permitted by KRS 141.390;
23	(i)	The tax credit for cash contributions in investment funds permitted by KRS
24		154.20-263 in effect prior to July 15, 2002, and the credit permitted by KRS
25		154.20-258;
26	(j)	The research facilities credit permitted by KRS 141.395;

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The employer High School Equivalency Diploma program incentive credit

I			permitted under KRS 151B.402;
2		(1)	The voluntary environmental remediation credit permitted by KRS 141.418;
3		(m)	The biodiesel and renewable diesel credit permitted by KRS 141.423;
4		(n)	The clean coal incentive credit permitted by KRS 141.428;
5		(o)	The ethanol credit permitted by KRS 141.4242;
6		(p)	The cellulosic ethanol credit permitted by KRS 141.4244;
7		(q)	The energy efficiency credits permitted by KRS 141.436;
8		(r)	The railroad maintenance and improvement credit permitted by KRS 141.385;
9		(s)	The Endow Kentucky credit permitted by KRS 141.438;
10		(t)	The New Markets Development Program credit permitted by KRS 141.434;
11		(u)	The distilled spirits credit permitted by KRS 141.389;
12		(v)	The angel investor credit permitted by KRS 141.396;
13		(w)	The film industry credit permitted by KRS 141.383 for applications approved
14			on or after April 27, 2018, but before January 1, 2022;
15		(x)	The inventory credit permitted by KRS 141.408; and
16		(y)	The renewable chemical production credit permitted by KRS 141.4231;
17	(2)	Afte	r the application of the nonrefundable credits in subsection (1) of this section,
18		the 1	nonrefundable personal tax credits against the tax imposed by KRS 141.020
19		shall	be taken in the following order:
20		(a)	The individual credits permitted by KRS 141.020(3);
21		(b)	The credit permitted by KRS 141.066;
22		(c)	The tuition credit permitted by KRS 141.069;
23		(d)	The household and dependent care credit permitted by KRS 141.067;
24		(e)	The income gap credit permitted by KRS 141.066; and
25		(f)	The Education Opportunity Account Program tax credit permitted by KRS
26			141.522;
27	(3)	Afte	r the application of the nonrefundable credits provided for in subsection (2) of

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I	this section, the refundable credits against the tax imposed by KRS 141.020 shall be
2	taken in the following order:

- 3 (a) The individual withholding tax credit permitted by KRS 141.350;
- 4 (b) The individual estimated tax payment credit permitted by KRS 141.305;
- 5 (c) The certified rehabilitation credit permitted by KRS 171.3961, 171.3963, and 171.397(1)(b);
- 7 (d) The film industry tax credit permitted by KRS 141.383 for applications approved prior to April 27, 2018, or on or after January 1, 2022;
- 9 (e) The development area tax credit permitted by KRS 141.398;
- 10 (f) The decontamination tax credit permitted by KRS 141.419; and
- 11 (g) The pass-through entity tax credit permitted by KRS 141.209;
- 12 (4) The nonrefundable credit permitted by KRS 141.0401 shall be applied against the
- tax imposed by KRS 141.040 for taxable years beginning on or after January 1,
- 14 <u>2007, but prior to January 1, 2025;</u>
- 15 (5) The following nonrefundable credits shall be applied against the sum of the tax
- imposed by KRS 141.040 after subtracting the credit provided for in subsection (4)
- of this section, and the tax imposed by KRS 141.0401 in the following order:
- 18 (a) The economic development credits computed under KRS 141.347, 141.381,
- 19 141.384, 141.3841, 141.400, 141.403, 141.407, 141.415, 154.12-207, and
- 20 154.12-2088;
- 21 (b) The qualified farming operation credit permitted by KRS 141.412;
- (c) The certified rehabilitation credit permitted by KRS 171.397(1)(a);
- 23 (d) The health insurance credit permitted by KRS 141.062;
- 24 (e) The unemployment credit permitted by KRS 141.065;
- 25 (f) The recycling or composting equipment credit permitted by KRS 141.390;
- 26 (g) The coal conversion credit permitted by KRS 141.041;
- 27 (h) The enterprise zone credit permitted by KRS 154.45-090, for taxable periods

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1		ending prior to January 1, 2008;
2	(i)	The tax credit for cash contributions to investment funds permitted by KRS
3		154.20-263 in effect prior to July 15, 2002, and the credit permitted by KRS
4		154.20-258;
5	(j)	The research facilities credit permitted by KRS 141.395;
6	(k)	The employer High School Equivalency Diploma program incentive credit
7		permitted by KRS 151B.402;
8	(1)	The voluntary environmental remediation credit permitted by KRS 141.418;
9	(m)	The biodiesel and renewable diesel credit permitted by KRS 141.423;
10	(n)	The clean coal incentive credit permitted by KRS 141.428;
11	(o)	The ethanol credit permitted by KRS 141.4242;
12	(p)	The cellulosic ethanol credit permitted by KRS 141.4244;
13	(q)	The energy efficiency credits permitted by KRS 141.436;
14	(r)	The ENERGY STAR home or ENERGY STAR manufactured home credit
15		permitted by KRS 141.437;
16	(s)	The railroad maintenance and improvement credit permitted by KRS 141.385;
17	(t)	The railroad expansion credit permitted by KRS 141.386;
18	(u)	The Endow Kentucky credit permitted by KRS 141.438;
19	(v)	The New Markets Development Program credit permitted by KRS 141.434;
20	(w)	The distilled spirits credit permitted by KRS 141.389;
21	(x)	The film industry credit permitted by KRS 141.383 for applications approved
22		on or after April 27, 2018, but before January 1, 2022;
23	(y)	The inventory credit permitted by KRS 141.408;
24	(z)	The renewable chemical production tax credit permitted by KRS 141.4231;
25		and
26	(aa)	The Education Opportunity Account Program tax credit permitted by KRS

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141.522; and

- 1 After the application of the nonrefundable credits in subsection (5) of this section, (6)
- 2 the refundable credits shall be taken in the following order:
- The corporation estimated tax payment credit permitted by KRS 141.044; 3 (a)
- 4 (b) The certified rehabilitation credit permitted by KRS 171.3961, 171.3963, and 5 171.397(1)(b);
- 6 The film industry tax credit permitted by KRS 141.383 for applications (c) 7 approved prior to April 27, 2018, or on or after January 1, 2022;
- 8 (d) The decontamination tax credit permitted by KRS 141.419; and
- 9 (e) The pass-through entity tax credit permitted by KRS 141.209.