

1 AN ACT relating to an individual income tax credit for stillbirths.

2 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 141 IS CREATED TO  
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

- 5 (1) (a) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2022, but before  
6 January 1, 2026, an individual is allowed a nonrefundable, nontransferable  
7 credit against the tax imposed by KRS 141.020 for each stillbirth in which a  
8 combination birth-death or stillbirth certificate has been issued in  
9 accordance with KRS 213.096.
- 10 (b) An individual who claims the credit shall provide a copy of the combination  
11 birth-death or stillbirth certificate to the department.
- 12 (c) The credit is only allowed in the taxable year in which the stillbirth  
13 occurred.
- 14 (d) The credit is only allowed to be taken by an individual who would have  
15 claimed the child as a dependent, as defined in Section 152 of the Internal  
16 Revenue Code, had the birth not resulted in a stillbirth.
- 17 (e) The amount of the credit shall be two thousand dollars (\$2,000). If more  
18 than one (1) individual qualifies to take the credit, the total amount of credit  
19 taken for each stillbirth shall not exceed two thousand dollars (\$2,000).
- 20 (f) The credit shall be taken in the order established by Section 2 of this Act.
- 21 (g) Any amount of credit that an individual is unable to use during a taxable  
22 year may be carried forward to a succeeding taxable year for a period not to  
23 exceed three (3) years. Any amount of credit not used within three (3) years  
24 shall be lost. No amount of credit may be carried back.
- 25 (2) (a) The purpose of the credit permitted by subsection (1) of this section is to  
26 assist individuals with costs incurred from a stillbirth.
- 27 (b) In order for the General Assembly to evaluate the fulfillment of the purpose

1 stated in paragraph (a) of this subsection, the department shall provide the  
 2 following information on a cumulative basis for each taxable year to  
 3 provide a historical impact of the credit to the Commonwealth:

4 1. The total amount of credits claimed by individuals for each taxable  
 5 year;

6 2. The total number of returns that claimed the credit for each taxable  
 7 year;

8 3. Based on the mailing address of the return, the cumulative total  
 9 amount of credits claimed by county for each taxable year; and

10 4. Based on ranges of adjusted gross income of no larger than five  
 11 thousand dollars (\$5,000) for the taxable year, the total amount of  
 12 credits claimed and the number of returns claiming the credit for each  
 13 adjusted gross income range.

14 (c) The report required by paragraph (b) of this subsection shall be submitted  
 15 to the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue beginning  
 16 no later than November 1, 2023, and no later than each November 1  
 17 thereafter, as long as the credit is claimed on any return processed by the  
 18 department.

19 ➔Section 2. KRS 141.0205 is amended to read as follows:

20 If a taxpayer is entitled to more than one (1) of the tax credits allowed against the tax  
 21 imposed by KRS 141.020, 141.040, and 141.0401, the priority of application and use of  
 22 the credits shall be determined as follows:

23 (1) The nonrefundable business incentive credits against the tax imposed by KRS  
 24 141.020 shall be taken in the following order:

25 (a) The limited liability entity tax credit permitted by KRS 141.0401;

26 (b) The economic development credits computed under KRS 141.347, 141.381,  
 27 141.384, 141.3841, 141.400, 141.401, 141.403, 141.407, 141.415, 154.12-

- 1           207, and 154.12-2088;
- 2           (c) The qualified farming operation credit permitted by KRS 141.412;
- 3           (d) The certified rehabilitation credit permitted by KRS 171.397(1)(a);
- 4           (e) The health insurance credit permitted by KRS 141.062;
- 5           (f) The tax paid to other states credit permitted by KRS 141.070;
- 6           (g) The credit for hiring the unemployed permitted by KRS 141.065;
- 7           (h) The recycling or composting equipment credit permitted by KRS 141.390;
- 8           (i) The tax credit for cash contributions in investment funds permitted by KRS
- 9           154.20-263 in effect prior to July 15, 2002, and the credit permitted by KRS
- 10          154.20-258;
- 11          (j) The research facilities credit permitted by KRS 141.395;
- 12          (k) The employer High School Equivalency Diploma program incentive credit
- 13          permitted under KRS 151B.402;
- 14          (l) The voluntary environmental remediation credit permitted by KRS 141.418;
- 15          (m) The biodiesel and renewable diesel credit permitted by KRS 141.423;
- 16          (n) The clean coal incentive credit permitted by KRS 141.428;
- 17          (o) The ethanol credit permitted by KRS 141.4242;
- 18          (p) The cellulosic ethanol credit permitted by KRS 141.4244;
- 19          (q) The energy efficiency credits permitted by KRS 141.436;
- 20          (r) The railroad maintenance and improvement credit permitted by KRS 141.385;
- 21          (s) The Endow Kentucky credit permitted by KRS 141.438;
- 22          (t) The New Markets Development Program credit permitted by KRS 141.434;
- 23          (u) The distilled spirits credit permitted by KRS 141.389;
- 24          (v) The angel investor credit permitted by KRS 141.396;
- 25          (w) The film industry credit permitted by KRS 141.383 for applications approved
- 26          on or after April 27, 2018, but before January 1, 2022;
- 27          (x) The inventory credit permitted by KRS 141.408; and

- 1 (y) The renewable chemical production credit permitted by KRS 141.4231.
- 2 (2) After the application of the nonrefundable credits in subsection (1) of this section,  
3 the nonrefundable personal tax credits against the tax imposed by KRS 141.020  
4 shall be taken in the following order:
- 5 (a) The individual credits permitted by KRS 141.020(3);  
6 (b) The credit permitted by KRS 141.066;  
7 (c) The tuition credit permitted by KRS 141.069;  
8 (d) The household and dependent care credit permitted by KRS 141.067;  
9 (e) The income gap credit permitted by KRS 141.066;~~and~~  
10 (f) The Education Opportunity Account Program tax credit permitted by KRS  
11 141.522; **and**
- 12 **(g) The stillbirth credit permitted by Section 1 of this Act.**
- 13 (3) After the application of the nonrefundable credits provided for in subsection (2) of  
14 this section, the refundable credits against the tax imposed by KRS 141.020 shall be  
15 taken in the following order:
- 16 (a) The individual withholding tax credit permitted by KRS 141.350;  
17 (b) The individual estimated tax payment credit permitted by KRS 141.305;  
18 (c) The certified rehabilitation credit permitted by KRS 171.3961, 171.3963, and  
19 171.397(1)(b);  
20 (d) The film industry tax credit permitted by KRS 141.383 for applications  
21 approved prior to April 27, 2018, or on or after January 1, 2022; and  
22 (e) The development area tax credit permitted by KRS 141.398.
- 23 (4) The nonrefundable credit permitted by KRS 141.0401 shall be applied against the  
24 tax imposed by KRS 141.040.
- 25 (5) The following nonrefundable credits shall be applied against the sum of the tax  
26 imposed by KRS 141.040 after subtracting the credit provided for in subsection (4)  
27 of this section, and the tax imposed by KRS 141.0401 in the following order:

- 1 (a) The economic development credits computed under KRS 141.347, 141.381,  
2 141.384, 141.3841, 141.400, 141.401, 141.403, 141.407, 141.415, 154.12-  
3 207, and 154.12-2088;
- 4 (b) The qualified farming operation credit permitted by KRS 141.412;
- 5 (c) The certified rehabilitation credit permitted by KRS 171.397(1)(a);
- 6 (d) The health insurance credit permitted by KRS 141.062;
- 7 (e) The unemployment credit permitted by KRS 141.065;
- 8 (f) The recycling or composting equipment credit permitted by KRS 141.390;
- 9 (g) The coal conversion credit permitted by KRS 141.041;
- 10 (h) The enterprise zone credit permitted by KRS 154.45-090, for taxable periods  
11 ending prior to January 1, 2008;
- 12 (i) The tax credit for cash contributions to investment funds permitted by KRS  
13 154.20-263 in effect prior to July 15, 2002, and the credit permitted by KRS  
14 154.20-258;
- 15 (j) The research facilities credit permitted by KRS 141.395;
- 16 (k) The employer High School Equivalency Diploma program incentive credit  
17 permitted by KRS 151B.402;
- 18 (l) The voluntary environmental remediation credit permitted by KRS 141.418;
- 19 (m) The biodiesel and renewable diesel credit permitted by KRS 141.423;
- 20 (n) The clean coal incentive credit permitted by KRS 141.428;
- 21 (o) The ethanol credit permitted by KRS 141.4242;
- 22 (p) The cellulosic ethanol credit permitted by KRS 141.4244;
- 23 (q) The energy efficiency credits permitted by KRS 141.436;
- 24 (r) The ENERGY STAR home or ENERGY STAR manufactured home credit  
25 permitted by KRS 141.437;
- 26 (s) The railroad maintenance and improvement credit permitted by KRS 141.385;
- 27 (t) The railroad expansion credit permitted by KRS 141.386;

- 1 (u) The Endow Kentucky credit permitted by KRS 141.438;
- 2 (v) The New Markets Development Program credit permitted by KRS 141.434;
- 3 (w) The distilled spirits credit permitted by KRS 141.389;
- 4 (x) The film industry credit permitted by KRS 141.383 for applications approved
- 5 on or after April 27, 2018, but before January 1, 2022;
- 6 (y) The inventory credit permitted by KRS 141.408;
- 7 (z) The renewable chemical production tax credit permitted by KRS 141.4231;
- 8 and
- 9 (aa) The Education Opportunity Account Program tax credit permitted by KRS
- 10 141.522.
- 11 (6) After the application of the nonrefundable credits in subsection (5) of this section,
- 12 the refundable credits shall be taken in the following order:
- 13 (a) The corporation estimated tax payment credit permitted by KRS 141.044;
- 14 (b) The certified rehabilitation credit permitted by KRS 171.3961, 171.3963, and
- 15 171.397(1)(b); and
- 16 (c) The film industry tax credit permitted by KRS 141.383 for applications
- 17 approved prior to April 27, 2018, or on or after January 1, 2022.
- 18 ➔Section 3. KRS 131.190 is amended to read as follows:
- 19 (1) No present or former commissioner or employee of the department, present or
- 20 former member of a county board of assessment appeals, present or former property
- 21 valuation administrator or employee, present or former secretary or employee of the
- 22 Finance and Administration Cabinet, former secretary or employee of the Revenue
- 23 Cabinet, or any other person, shall intentionally and without authorization inspect or
- 24 divulge any information acquired by him or her of the affairs of any person, or
- 25 information regarding the tax schedules, returns, or reports required to be filed with
- 26 the department or other proper officer, or any information produced by a hearing or
- 27 investigation, insofar as the information may have to do with the affairs of the

1 person's business.

2 (2) The prohibition established by subsection (1) of this section shall not extend to:

3 (a) Information required in prosecutions for making false reports or returns of  
4 property for taxation, or any other infraction of the tax laws;

5 (b) Any matter properly entered upon any assessment record, or in any way made  
6 a matter of public record;

7 (c) Furnishing any taxpayer or his or her properly authorized agent with  
8 information respecting his or her own return;

9 (d) Testimony provided by the commissioner or any employee of the department  
10 in any court, or the introduction as evidence of returns or reports filed with the  
11 department, in an action for violation of state or federal tax laws or in any  
12 action challenging state or federal tax laws;

13 (e) Providing an owner of unmined coal, oil or gas reserves, and other mineral or  
14 energy resources assessed under KRS 132.820, or owners of surface land  
15 under which the unmined minerals lie, factual information about the owner's  
16 property derived from third-party returns filed for that owner's property, under  
17 the provisions of KRS 132.820, that is used to determine the owner's  
18 assessment. This information shall be provided to the owner on a confidential  
19 basis, and the owner shall be subject to the penalties provided in KRS  
20 131.990(2). The third-party filer shall be given prior notice of any disclosure  
21 of information to the owner that was provided by the third-party filer;

22 (f) Providing to a third-party purchaser pursuant to an order entered in a  
23 foreclosure action filed in a court of competent jurisdiction, factual  
24 information related to the owner or lessee of coal, oil, gas reserves, or any  
25 other mineral resources assessed under KRS 132.820. The department may  
26 promulgate an administrative regulation establishing a fee schedule for the  
27 provision of the information described in this paragraph. Any fee imposed

- 1 shall not exceed the greater of the actual cost of providing the information or  
2 ten dollars (\$10);
- 3 (g) Providing information to a licensing agency, the Transportation Cabinet, or  
4 the Kentucky Supreme Court under KRS 131.1817;
- 5 (h) Statistics of gasoline and special fuels gallonage reported to the department  
6 under KRS 138.210 to 138.448;
- 7 (i) Providing any utility gross receipts license tax return information that is  
8 necessary to administer the provisions of KRS 160.613 to 160.617 to  
9 applicable school districts on a confidential basis;
- 10 (j) Providing documents, data, or other information to a third party pursuant to an  
11 order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction; or
- 12 (k) Providing information to the Legislative Research Commission under:
- 13 1. KRS 139.519 for purposes of the sales and use tax refund on building  
14 materials used for disaster recovery;
- 15 2. KRS 141.436 for purposes of the energy efficiency products credits;
- 16 3. KRS 141.437 for purposes of the ENERGY STAR home and the  
17 ENERGY STAR manufactured home credits;
- 18 4. KRS 141.383 for purposes of the film industry incentives;
- 19 5. KRS 154.26-095 for purposes of the Kentucky industrial revitalization  
20 tax credits and the job assessment fees;
- 21 6. KRS 141.068 for purposes of the Kentucky investment fund;
- 22 7. KRS 141.396 for purposes of the angel investor tax credit;
- 23 8. KRS 141.389 for purposes of the distilled spirits credit;
- 24 9. KRS 141.408 for purposes of the inventory credit;
- 25 10. KRS 141.390 for purposes of the recycling and composting credit;
- 26 11. KRS 141.3841 for purposes of the selling farmer tax credit;
- 27 12. KRS 141.4231 for purposes of the renewable chemical production tax



1 credit;

2 13. KRS 141.524 for purposes of the Education Opportunity Account  
3 Program tax credit;

4 14. KRS 141.398 for purposes of the development area tax credit;~~and~~

5 15. KRS 139.516 for the purposes of the sales and use tax exemption on the  
6 commercial mining of cryptocurrency; **and**

7 **16. Section 1 of this Act for purposes of the stillbirth credit.**

8 (3) The commissioner shall make available any information for official use only and on  
9 a confidential basis to the proper officer, agency, board or commission of this state,  
10 any Kentucky county, any Kentucky city, any other state, or the federal government,  
11 under reciprocal agreements whereby the department shall receive similar or useful  
12 information in return.

13 (4) Access to and inspection of information received from the Internal Revenue Service  
14 is for department use only, and is restricted to tax administration purposes.  
15 Information received from the Internal Revenue Service shall not be made available  
16 to any other agency of state government, or any county, city, or other state, and shall  
17 not be inspected intentionally and without authorization by any present secretary or  
18 employee of the Finance and Administration Cabinet, commissioner or employee of  
19 the department, or any other person.

20 (5) Statistics of crude oil as reported to the department under the crude oil excise tax  
21 requirements of KRS Chapter 137 and statistics of natural gas production as  
22 reported to the department under the natural resources severance tax requirements  
23 of KRS Chapter 143A may be made public by the department by release to the  
24 Energy and Environment Cabinet, Department for Natural Resources.

25 (6) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, beginning with mine-map  
26 submissions for the 1989 tax year, the department may make public or divulge only  
27 those portions of mine maps submitted by taxpayers to the department pursuant to

1           KRS Chapter 132 for ad valorem tax purposes that depict the boundaries of mined-  
2           out parcel areas. These electronic maps shall not be relied upon to determine actual  
3           boundaries of mined-out parcel areas. Property boundaries contained in mine maps  
4           required under KRS Chapters 350 and 352 shall not be construed to constitute land  
5           surveying or boundary surveys as defined by KRS 322.010 and any administrative  
6           regulations promulgated thereto.