## FIRST REGULAR SESSION SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

## SENATE BILL NO. 10

## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Economic Development, February 16, 2017, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

0517S.04C ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

## AN ACT

To repeal sections 620.800, 620.803, 620.806, 620.809, and 620.2005, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof five new sections relating to financial incentives for job creation.

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

Section A. Sections 620.800, 620.803, 620.806, 620.809, and 620.2005,

- 2 RSMo, are repealed and five new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as
- 3 sections 620.800, 620.803, 620.806, 620.809, and 620.2005, to read as follows:

620.800. The following additional terms used in sections 620.800 to

- 2 620.809 shall mean:
- 3 (1) "Agreement", the agreement between a qualified company, a
- 4 community college district, and the department concerning a training
- 5 project. Any such agreement shall comply with the provisions of section 620.017;
- 6 (2) "Board of trustees", the board of trustees of a community college
- district established under the provisions of chapter 178;
- 8 (3) "Certificate", a new or retained jobs training certificate issued under
- 9 section 620.809;
- 10 (4) "Committee", the Missouri works job training joint legislative oversight
- 11 committee, established under the provisions of section 620.803;
- 12 (5) "Department", the Missouri department of economic development;
- 13 (6) "Employee", a person employed by a qualified company;
- 14 (7) "Full-time employee", an employee of the qualified company who is
- 15 scheduled to work an average of at least thirty-five hours per week for a
- 16 twelve-month period, and one to whom the qualified company offers health

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- 17 insurance and pays at least fifty percent of such insurance premiums;
- 18 (8) "Local education agency", a community college, two-year state 19 technical college, or technical career education center;
- 20 (9) "Missouri works training program", the training program established 21 under sections 620.800 to 620.809;
- 22 (10) "New capital investment", costs incurred by the qualified company at 23 the project facility [after acceptance by the qualified company of the proposal for 24 benefits from the department or the approval of the notice of intent, whichever 25 occurs first,] for real or personal property, that may include the value of finance 26 or capital leases for real or personal property for the term of such lease at the 27 project facility executed after acceptance by the qualified company of the proposal 28 for benefits from the department or approval of the notice of intent;
  - (11) "New job", the number of full-time employees located at the project facility that exceeds the project facility base employment less any decrease in the number of full-time employees at related facilities below the related facility base employment. No job that was created prior to the date of the notice of intent shall be deemed a new job. An employee who spends less than fifty percent of his or her work time at the facility is still considered to be located at a facility if he or she receives his or her directions and control from that facility, is on the facility's payroll, one hundred percent of the employee's income from such employment is Missouri income, and the employee is paid at or above the applicable percentage of the county's average wage;
  - (12) "New jobs credit", the credit from withholding remitted by a qualified company provided under subsection 6 of section 620.809;
  - (13) "Notice of intent", a form developed by the department, completed by the qualified company, and submitted to the department that states the qualified company's intent to request benefits under this program;
  - (14) "Project facility", the building or buildings used by a qualified company at which new or retained jobs and any new capital investment are or will be located. A project facility may include separate buildings located within sixty miles of each other such that their purpose and operations are interrelated, provided that, if the buildings making up the project facility are not located within the same county, the average wage of the new payroll must exceed the applicable percentage of the highest county average wage among the counties in which the buildings are located. Upon approval by the department, a subsequent project facility may be designated if the qualified company demonstrates a need

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53 to relocate to the subsequent project facility at any time during the project period;

- (15) "Project facility base employment", the greater of the number of full-time employees located at the project facility on the date of the notice of intent or, for the twelve-month period prior to the date of the notice of intent, the average number of full-time employees located at the project facility. In the event the project facility has not been in operation for a full twelve-month period, the average number of full-time employees for the number of months the project facility has been in operation prior to the date of the notice of intent;
- (16) "Qualified company", a firm, partnership, joint venture, association, private or public corporation whether organized for profit or not, or headquarters of such entity registered to do business in Missouri that is the owner or operator of a project facility, offers health insurance to all full-time employees of all facilities located in this state, and pays at least fifty percent of such insurance premiums. For the purposes of sections 620.800 to 620.809, the term "qualified company" shall not mean:
  - (a) Gambling establishments (NAICS industry group 7132);
- (b) Retail trade establishments (NAICS sectors 44 and 45), except with respect to any company headquartered in this state with a majority of its full-time employees engaged in operations not within the NAICS codes specified in this subdivision;
  - (c) Food services and drinking places (NAICS subsector 722);
  - (d) Public utilities (NAICS 221 including water and sewer services);
- (e) Any company that is delinquent in the payment of any nonprotested taxes or any other amounts due the state or federal government or any other political subdivision of this state;
- (f) Any company requesting benefits for retained jobs that has filed for or has publicly announced its intention to file for bankruptcy protection. However, a company that has filed for or has publicly announced its intention to file for bankruptcy may be a qualified company provided that such company:
- a. Certifies to the department that it plans to reorganize and not to liquidate; and
- b. After its bankruptcy petition has been filed, it produces proof, in a form and at times satisfactory to the department, that it is not delinquent in filing any tax returns or making any payment due to the state of Missouri, including but not limited to all tax payments due after the filing of the bankruptcy petition and under the terms of the plan of reorganization;

- 89 (g) Educational services (NAICS sector 61);
- 90 (h) Religious organizations (NAICS industry group 8131);
- 91 (i) Public administration (NAICS sector 92);
- 92 (j) Ethanol distillation or production; or
- 93 (k) Biodiesel production.
- 94 Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the headquarters,
- 95 administrative offices, or research and development facilities of an otherwise
- 96 excluded business may qualify for benefits if the offices or facilities serve a
- 97 multistate territory. In the event a national, state, or regional headquarters
- 98 operation is not the predominant activity of a project facility, the jobs and
- 99 investment of such operation shall be considered eligible for benefits under this
- 100 section if the other requirements are satisfied;
- 101 (17) "Related company":
- 102 (a) A corporation, partnership, trust, or association controlled by the 103 qualified company;
- 104 (b) An individual, corporation, partnership, trust, or association in control 105 of the qualified company; or
- (c) Corporations, partnerships, trusts, or associations controlled by an
- 107 individual, corporation, partnership, trust, or association in control of the
- 108 qualified company. As used in this subdivision, "control of a corporation" shall
- 109 mean ownership, directly or indirectly, of stock possessing at least fifty percent
- 110 of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote; "control
- of a partnership or association" shall mean ownership of at least fifty percent of
- 112 the capital or profits interest in such partnership or association; "control of a
- 113 trust" shall mean ownership, directly or indirectly, of at least fifty percent of the
- beneficial interest in the principal or income of such trust; and "ownership" shall
- 115 be determined as provided in Section 318 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986,
- 116 as amended;
- 117 (18) "Related facility", a facility operated by the qualified company or a
- 118 related company located in this state that is directly related to the operations of
- the project facility or in which operations substantially similar to the operations
- 120 of the project facility are performed;
- 121 (19) "Related facility base employment", the greater of the number of
- 122 full-time employees located at all related facilities on the date of the notice of
- 123 intent or, for the twelve-month period prior to the date of the notice of intent, the
- 124 average number of full-time employees located at all related facilities of the

- 125 qualified company or a related company located in this state;
- 126 (20) "Retained jobs", the average number of full-time employees of a
- qualified company located at the project facility during each month for the calendar year preceding the year in which the notice of intent is submitted;
- 129 (21) "Retained jobs credit", the credit from withholding remitted by a 130 qualified company provided under subsection 6 of section 620.809;
- 131 (22) "Targeted industry", an industry or one of a cluster of industries
- 132 identified by the department by rule following a strategic planning process as
- 133 being critical to the state's economic security and growth;
- 134 (23) "Training program", the Missouri works training program established
- 135 under sections 620.800 to 620.809;
- 136 (24) "Training project", the project or projects established through the
- 137 Missouri works training program for the creation or retention of jobs by providing
- 138 education and training of workers;
- 139 (25) "Training project costs", all necessary and incidental costs of
- 140 providing program services through the training program, including:
- 141 (a) Training materials and supplies;
- (b) Wages and benefits of instructors, who may or may not be employed
- 143 by the eligible industry, and the cost of training such instructors;
- 144 (c) Subcontracted services;
- (d) On-the-job training;
- (e) Training facilities and equipment;
- 147 (f) Skill assessment;
- 148 (g) Training project and curriculum development;
- (h) Travel directly to the training project, including a coordinated
- 150 transportation program for training if the training can be more effectively
- provided outside the community where the jobs are to be located;
- (i) Payments to third-party training providers and to the eligible industry;
- 153 (j) Teaching and assistance provided by educational institutions in the
- 154 state of Missouri;
- (k) In-plant training analysis, including fees for professionals and
- 156 necessary travel and expenses;
- (l) Assessment and preselection tools;
- 158 (m) Publicity;
- (n) Instructional services;
- 160 (o) Rental of instructional facilities with necessary utilities; and

- 161 (p) Payment of the principal, premium, and interest on certificates, 162 including capitalized interest, issued to finance a project, and the funding and
- 163 maintenance of a debt service reserve fund to secure such certificates;
- 164 (26) "Training project services", includes, but shall not be limited to, the 165 following:
- 166 (a) Job training, which may include, but not be limited to, preemployment
- 167 training, analysis of the specified training needs for a qualified company,
- 168 development of training plans, and provision of training through qualified
- 169 training staff;
- (b) Adult basic education and job-related instruction;
- 171 (c) Vocational and skill-assessment services and testing;
- 172 (d) Training facilities, equipment, materials, and supplies;
- (e) On-the-job training;
- (f) Administrative expenses equal to fifteen percent of the total training
- 175 costs;
- 176 (g) Subcontracted services with state institutions of higher education,
- 177 private colleges or universities, or other federal, state, or local agencies;
- (h) Contracted or professional services; and
- (i) Issuance of certificates, when applicable.
  - 620.803. 1. The department shall establish a "Missouri Works Training
  - 2 Program" to assist qualified companies in the training of employees in new jobs
  - 3 and the retraining or upgrading of skills of full-time employees in retained jobs
  - 4 as provided in sections 620.800 to 620.809. The training program shall be funded
  - 5 through appropriations to the funds established under sections 620.806 and
  - 6 620.809. The department shall, to the maximum extent practicable, prioritize
  - 7 funding under the training program to assist qualified companies in targeted
  - 8 industries.
  - 9 2. There is hereby created the "Missouri Works Job Training Joint
  - 10 Legislative Oversight Committee". The committee shall consist of three members
- 11 of the Missouri senate appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate and
- 12 three members of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the
- 13 house. No more than two of the members of the senate and two of the members
- 14 of the house of representatives shall be from the same political party. Members
- 15 of the committee shall report to the governor, the president pro tempore of the
- 16 senate, and the speaker of the house of representatives on all assistance to
- 17 industries under the provisions of sections 620.800 to 620.809 provided during the

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preceding fiscal year. The report of the committee shall be delivered no later than October first of each year. The director of the department shall report to the committee such information as the committee may deem necessary for its annual report. Members of the committee shall receive no compensation in addition to their salary as members of the general assembly but may receive their necessary expenses while attending the meetings of the committee, to be paid out of the joint contingent fund.

- 3. The department shall publish guidelines and may promulgate rules and regulations governing the training program. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2013, shall be invalid and void.
- 4. The department shall make program applications and guidelines available online.
  - 5. The department may contract with other entities for the purposes of [carrying out the provisions of] advertising, marketing, or promoting the training program established in sections 620.800 to 620.809. Any assistance through the training program shall be provided under an agreement.
- 6. Prior to the authorization of any application submitted through the training program, the department shall verify the applicant's tax payment status and offset any delinquencies as provided in section 135.815.
- 7. Any taxpayer who is awarded benefits under sections 620.800 to 620.809 and who files for bankruptcy under Chapter 7 of the United States Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 U.S.C., as amended shall immediately notify the department, shall forfeit such benefits, and shall repay the state an amount equal to any state tax credits already redeemed and any withholding taxes already retained.
- 8. (1) Beginning on August 28, 2017, any local public school district providing training assistance under the provisions of sections 62 620.800 to 620.809 may continue to provide such assistance to any project that has received approval prior to August 28, 2017. Thereafter,

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such school districts shall not provide training assistance for which the aggregate training costs exceed the aggregate amount of training costs 55 attributable to projects for which the local school district was 56 providing assistance as of August 28, 2017. 57

- (2) Beginning August 28, 2017, the department shall not approve any local public school district as a provider of training assistance under the provisions of sections 620.800 to 620.809 which was not already approved as a provider as of August 28, 2017.
- (3) If funding provided by the state for training projects under sections 620.800 to 620.809 is reduced below the amount appropriated for the fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2016, the amount of funding provided to local school districts that have been approved as a provider of training assistance under sections 620.800 to 620.809 shall be reduced proportionately.
- 620.806. 1. The Missouri job development fund, formerly established in the state treasury by section 620.478, shall now be known as the "Missouri Works Job Development Fund" and shall be administered by the department for the training program. The fund shall consist of all moneys which may be appropriated to it by the general assembly and also any gifts, contributions, 5 grants, or bequests received from federal, private or other sources, including, but not limited to, any block grant or other sources of funding relating to job training, school-to-work transition, welfare reform, vocational and technical training, housing, infrastructure, development, and human resource investment programs 9 10 which may be provided by the federal government or other sources.
- 2. The department may provide financial assistance through the training program to qualified companies that create new jobs which will result in the need for training, or that make new capital investment relating directly to the retention of jobs in an amount at least five times greater than the amount of any financial assistance. Financial assistance may also be provided to a consortium 16 of a majority of qualified companies organized to provide common training to 17the consortium members' employees. Funds in the Missouri works job development fund shall be appropriated, for financial assistance through the 18 training program, by the general assembly to the department and shall be administered by a local educational agency certified by the department for such purpose. Except for state-sponsored preemployment training, no qualified company shall receive more than fifty percent of its training program costs from

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23 the Missouri works job development fund. No funds shall be awarded or 24 reimbursed to any qualified company for the training, retraining, or upgrading of skills of potential employees with the purpose of replacing or supplanting 25 employees engaged in an authorized work stoppage. Upon approval by the 26 27 department, training project costs, except the purchase of training equipment and 28 training facilities, shall be eligible for reimbursement with funds from the Missouri works job development fund. Notwithstanding any provision of law to 29 the contrary, no qualified company within a service industry shall be eligible for 30 assistance under this subsection unless such qualified company provides services 31 32 in interstate commerce, which shall mean that the qualified company derives a 33 majority of its annual revenues from out of the state.

3. The department may provide assistance, through appropriations made from the Missouri works job development fund, to business and technology centers. Such assistance shall not include the lending of the state's credit for the payment of any liability of the fund. Such centers may be established by Missouri community colleges, or state-owned postsecondary technical colleges, to provide business and training services for growth industries as determined by current labor market information.

620.809. 1. The Missouri community college job training program fund, formerly established in the state treasury by section 178.896, shall now be known as the "Missouri Works Community College New Jobs Training Fund" and shall be administered by the department for the training program. The department of revenue shall credit to the fund, as received, all new jobs credits. The fund shall 5 also consist of any gifts, contributions, grants, or bequests received from federal, private, or other sources. The general assembly, however, shall not provide for any transfer of general revenue funds into the fund. Moneys in the fund shall be 8 disbursed to the department under regular appropriations by the general assembly. The department shall disburse such appropriated funds in a timely 10 manner into the special funds established by community college districts for 11 12 training projects, which funds shall be used to pay training project costs. Such disbursements shall be made to the special fund for each training project [in the 13 same proportion as the new jobs credit remitted by the qualified company 14 15 participating in such project bears to the total new jobs credit from withholding 16 remitted by all qualified companies participating in projects during the period for 17 which the disbursement is made] as provided under subsection 5 of this 18 section. All moneys remaining in the fund at the end of any fiscal year shall not

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19 lapse to the general revenue fund, as provided in section 33.080, but shall remain 20 in the fund.

- 2. The Missouri community college job retention training program fund, formerly established in the state treasury by section 178.764, shall now be known as the "Missouri Works Community College Job Retention Training Fund" and shall be administered by the department for the Missouri works training program. The department of revenue shall credit to the fund, as received, all retained jobs credits. The fund shall also consist of any gifts, contributions, grants, or bequests received from federal, private, or other sources. The general assembly, however, shall not provide for any transfer of general revenue funds into the fund. Moneys in the fund shall be disbursed to the department under regular appropriations by the general assembly. The department shall disburse such appropriated funds in a timely manner into the special funds established by community college districts for projects, which funds shall be used to pay training program costs, including the principal, premium, and interest on certificates issued by the district to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, a project. Such disbursements by the department shall be made to the special fund for each project [in the same proportion as the retained jobs credit from withholding remitted by the qualified company participating in such project bears to the total retained jobs credit from withholding remitted by qualified companies participating in projects during the period for which the disbursement is madel as provided under subsection 5 of this section. All moneys remaining in the fund at the end of any fiscal year shall not lapse to the general revenue fund, as provided in section 33.080, but shall remain in the fund.
- 3. The department of revenue shall develop such forms as are necessary to demonstrate accurately each qualified company's new jobs credit paid into the Missouri works community college new jobs training fund or retained jobs credit paid into the Missouri works community college job retention training fund. The new or retained jobs credits shall be accounted as separate from the normal withholding tax paid to the department of revenue by the qualified company. Reimbursements made by all qualified companies to the Missouri works community college new jobs training fund and the Missouri works community college job retention training fund shall be no less than all allocations made by the department to all community college districts for all projects. The qualified company shall remit the amount of the new or retained jobs credit, as applicable, to the department of revenue in the same manner as provided in

55 sections 143.191 to 143.265.

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- 56 4. A community college district, with the approval of the department in consultation with the office of administration, may enter into an agreement to 57 establish a training project and provide training project services to a qualified 58 company. As soon as possible after initial contact between a community college 59 60 district and a potential qualified company regarding the possibility of entering into an agreement, the district shall inform the department of the potential 61 training project. The department shall evaluate the proposed training project 62 within the overall job training efforts of the state to ensure that the training 63 64 project will not duplicate other job training programs. The department shall have 65 fourteen days from receipt of a notice of intent to approve or disapprove a 66 training project. If no response is received by the qualified company within 67 fourteen days, the training project shall be deemed approved. Disapproval of any 68 training project shall be made in writing and state the reasons for such 69 disapproval. If an agreement is entered into, the district and the qualified company shall notify the department of revenue within fifteen calendar days. In 70 71 addition to any provisions required under subsection 5 of this section for a 72 qualified company applying to receive a retained job credit, an agreement may provide, but shall not be limited to: 73
  - (1) Payment of training project costs, which may be paid from one or a combination of the following sources:
  - (a) Funds appropriated by the general assembly to the Missouri works community college new jobs training program fund or Missouri works community college job retention training program fund, as applicable, and disbursed by the department for the purposes consistent with sections 620.800 to 620.809;
  - (b) Funds appropriated by the general assembly from the general revenue fund and disbursed by the department for the purposes consistent with sections 620.800 to 620.809;
- 83 **(c)** Tuition, student fees, or special charges fixed by the board of trustees 84 to defray training project costs in whole or in part;
  - (2) Payment of training project costs which shall not be deferred for a period longer than eight years;
- 87 (3) Costs of on-the-job training for employees which shall include wages 88 or salaries of participating employees. Payments for on-the-job training shall not 89 exceed the average of fifty percent of the total wages paid by the qualified 90 company to each participant during the period of training. Payment for

91 on-the-job training may continue for up to six months from the date the training 92 begins;

- (4) A provision which fixes the minimum amount of new or retained jobs credits, **general revenue fund appropriations**, or tuition and fee payments which shall be paid for training project costs; and
- 96 (5) Any payment required to be made by a qualified company. This payment shall constitute a lien upon the qualified company's business property until paid, shall have equal priority with ordinary taxes and shall not be divested by a judicial sale. Property subject to such lien may be sold for sums due and delinquent at a tax sale, with the same forfeitures, penalties, and consequences as for the nonpayment of ordinary taxes. The purchasers at tax sale shall obtain the property subject to the remaining payments.
  - 5. (1) For projects that are funded exclusively under paragraph (a) of subdivision (1) of subsection 4 of this section, the department shall disburse such funds to the special fund for each training project in the same proportion as the new jobs or retained jobs credits remitted by the qualified company participating in such project bears to the total new jobs or retained jobs credits from withholding remitted by all qualified companies participating in projects during the period for which the disbursement is made.
  - (2) For projects that are funded through a combination of funds under paragraphs (a) and (b) of subdivision (1) of subsection 4 of this section, the department shall disburse funds appropriated under paragraph (b) of subdivision (1) of subsection 4 of this section to the special fund for each training project upon commencement of the project. The department shall disburse funds appropriated under paragraph (a) of subdivision (1) of subsection 4 of this section to the special fund for each training project in the same proportion as the new jobs or retained jobs credits remitted by the qualified company participating in such project bears to the total new jobs or retained jobs credits from withholding remitted by all qualified companies participating in projects during the period for which the disbursement is made, reduced by the amount of funds appropriated under paragraph (b) of subdivision (1) of subsection 4 of this section.
  - **6.** Any qualified company that submits a notice of intent for retained job credits shall enter into an agreement, providing that the qualified company has:

- 127 (1) Maintained at least one hundred full-time employees per year at the 128 project facility for the calendar year preceding the year in which the application 129 is made;
- 130 (2) Retained, at the project facility, the same number of employees that 131 existed in the taxable year immediately preceding the year in which application 132 is made; and
- 133 (3) Made or agrees to make a new capital investment of greater than five 134 times the amount of any award under this training program at the project facility 135 over a period of two consecutive calendar years, as certified by the qualified 136 company and:
- 137 (a) Has made substantial investment in new technology requiring the 138 upgrading of employee skills; or
- 139 (b) Is located in a border county of the state and represents a potential 140 risk of relocation from the state; or
- 141 (c) Has been determined to represent a substantial risk of relocation from 142 the state by the director of the department of economic development.
- [6.] 7. If an agreement provides that all or part of the training program costs are to be met by receipt of new or retained jobs credit, such new or retained jobs credit from withholding shall be determined and paid as follows:
- 146 (1) New or retained jobs credit shall be based upon the wages paid to the 147 employees in the new or retained jobs;
- 148 (2) A portion of the total payments made by the qualified companies under 149 sections 143.191 to 143.265 shall be designated as the new or retained jobs credit 150 from withholding. Such portion shall be an amount equal to two and one-half 151 percent of the gross wages paid by the qualified company for each of the first one hundred jobs included in the project and one and one-half percent of the gross 152 wages paid by the qualified company for each of the remaining jobs included in 153 154 the project. If business or employment conditions cause the amount of the new or retained jobs credit from withholding to be less than the amount projected in 155 156 the agreement for any time period, then other withholding tax paid by the 157 qualified company under sections 143.191 to 143.265 shall be credited to the 158 applicable fund by the amount of such difference. The qualified company shall 159 remit the amount of the new or retained jobs credit to the department of revenue 160 in the manner prescribed in sections 143.191 to 143.265. When all training 161 program costs have been paid, the new or retained jobs credits shall cease;
  - (3) The community college district participating in a project shall

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163 establish a special fund for and in the name of the training project. All funds appropriated by the general assembly from the funds established under 164 subsections 1 and 2 of this section and disbursed by the department for the 165 166 training project and other amounts received by the district for training project 167 costs as required by the agreement shall be deposited in the special 168 fund. Amounts held in the special fund shall be used and disbursed by the 169 district only to pay training project costs for such training project. The special 170 fund may be divided into such accounts and subaccounts as shall be provided in the agreement, and amounts held therein may be invested in the same manner 171 172as the district's other funds;

- (4) Any disbursement for training project costs received from the department under sections 620.800 to 620.809 and deposited into the training project's special fund may be irrevocably pledged by a community college district for the payment of the principal, premium, and interest on the certificate issued by a community college district to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, such training project;
  - (5) The qualified company shall certify to the department of revenue that the new or retained jobs credit is in accordance with an agreement and shall provide other information the department of revenue may require;
  - (6) An employee participating in a training project shall receive full credit under section 143.211 for the amount designated as a new or retained jobs credit;
  - (7) If an agreement provides that all or part of training program costs are to be met by receipt of new or retained jobs credit, the provisions of this subsection shall also apply to any successor to the original qualified company until the principal and interest on the certificates have been paid.
  - [7.] 8. To provide funds for the present payment of the training project costs of new or retained jobs training project through the training program, a community college district may borrow money and issue and sell certificates payable from a sufficient portion of the future receipts of payments authorized by the agreement including disbursements from the Missouri works community college new jobs training fund or the Missouri works community college job retention training fund, to the special fund established by the district for each project. The total amount of outstanding certificates sold by all community college districts shall not exceed the total amount authorized under law as of January 1, 2013, unless an increased amount is authorized in writing by a majority of members of the committee. The certificates shall be marketed

through financial institutions authorized to do business in Missouri. The receipts shall be pledged to the payment of principal of and interest on the certificates. Certificates may be sold at public sale or at private sale at par, premium, or discount of not less than ninety-five percent of the par value thereof, at the discretion of the board of trustees, and may bear interest at such rate or rates as the board of trustees shall determine, notwithstanding the provisions of section 108.170 to the contrary. However, the provisions of chapter 176 shall not apply to the issuance of such certificates. Certificates may be issued with respect to a single project or multiple projects and may contain terms or conditions as the board of trustees may provide by resolution authorizing the issuance of the certificates.

- [8.] 9. Certificates issued to refund other certificates may be sold at public sale or at private sale as provided in this section, with the proceeds from the sale to be used for the payment of the certificates being refunded. The refunding certificates may be exchanged in payment and discharge of the certificates being refunded, in installments at different times or an entire issue or series at one time. Refunding certificates may be sold or exchanged at any time on, before, or after the maturity of the outstanding certificates to be refunded. They may be issued for the purpose of refunding a like, greater, or lesser principal amount of certificates and may bear a rate of interest that is higher, lower, or equivalent to that of the certificates being renewed or refunded.
- [9.] 10. Before certificates are issued, the board of trustees shall publish once a notice of its intention to issue the certificates, stating the amount, the purpose, and the project or projects for which the certificates are to be issued. A person with standing may, within fifteen days after the publication of the notice, by action in the circuit court of a county in the district, appeal the decision of the board of trustees to issue the certificates. The action of the board of trustees in determining to issue the certificates shall be final and conclusive unless the circuit court finds that the board of trustees has exceeded its legal authority. An action shall not be brought which questions the legality of the certificates, the power of the board of trustees to issue the certificates, the effectiveness of any proceedings relating to the authorization of the project, or the authorization and issuance of the certificates from and after fifteen days from the publication of the notice of intention to issue.
- [10.] 11. The board of trustees shall make a finding based on information supplied by the qualified company that revenues provided in the agreement are

235 sufficient to secure the faithful performance of obligations in the agreement.

- [11.] 12. Certificates issued under this section shall not be deemed to be an indebtedness of the state, the community college district, or any other political subdivision of the state, and the principal and interest on any certificates shall be payable only from the sources provided in subdivision (1) of subsection 4 of this section which are pledged in the agreement.
- [12.] 13. Pursuant to section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:
- 242 (1) The new program authorized under sections 620.800 to 620.809 shall 243 automatically sunset July 1, 2019, unless reauthorized by an act of the general 244 assembly; and
- 245 (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under 246 sections 620.800 to 620.809 shall automatically sunset twelve years after the 247 effective date of the reauthorization of sections 620.800 to 620.809; and
- 248 (3) Sections 620.800 to 620.809 shall terminate on September first of the 249 calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which a program 250 authorized under sections 620.800 to 620.809 is sunset.

620.2005. As used in sections 620.2000 to 620.2020, the following terms 2 mean:

- 3 (1) "Average wage", the new payroll divided by the number of new jobs, 4 or the payroll of the retained jobs divided by the number of retained jobs;
- 5 (2) "Commencement of operations", the starting date for the qualified 6 company's first new employee, which shall be no later than twelve months from 7 the date of the approval;
- 8 (3) "County average wage", the average wages in each county as determined by the department for the most recently completed full calendar 9 year. However, if the computed county average wage is above the statewide 10 average wage, the statewide average wage shall be deemed the county average 11 12 wage for such county for the purpose of determining eligibility. The department shall publish the county average wage for each county at least 13 annually. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision to the contrary, for 14 any qualified company that in conjunction with their project is relocating 15 employees from a Missouri county with a higher county average wage, the 16 company shall obtain the endorsement of the governing body of the community 18 from which jobs are being relocated or the county average wage for their project 19 shall be the county average wage for the county from which the employees are 20 being relocated;

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- 21 (4) "Department", the Missouri department of economic development;
- 22 (5) "Director", the director of the department of economic development;
- 23 (6) "Employee", a person employed by a qualified company, excluding[:
- 24 (a) Owners of the qualified company unless the qualified company is 25 participating in an employee stock ownership plan; or
- 26 (b) Owners of a noncontrolling interest in stock of a qualified company 27 that is publicly traded] **owners**;
  - (7) "Existing Missouri business", a qualified company that, for the ten-year period preceding submission of a notice of intent to the department, had a physical location in Missouri and full-time employees who routinely perform job duties within Missouri;
  - (8) "Full-time employee", an employee of the qualified company that is scheduled to work an average of at least thirty-five hours per week for a twelve-month period, and one for which the qualified company offers health insurance and pays at least fifty percent of such insurance premiums. An employee that spends less than fifty percent of the employee's work time at the facility shall be considered to be located at a facility if the employee receives his or her directions and control from that facility, is on the facility's payroll, one hundred percent of the employee's income from such employment is Missouri income, and the employee is paid at or above the applicable percentage of the county average wage;
  - (9) "Local incentives", the present value of the dollar amount of direct benefit received by a qualified company for a project facility from one or more local political subdivisions, but this term shall not include loans or other funds provided to the qualified company that shall be repaid by the qualified company to the political subdivision;
- (10) "NAICS" or "NAICS industry classification", the classification provided by the most recent edition of the North American Industry Classification System as prepared by the Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget;
- 51 (11) "New capital investment", shall include costs incurred by the 52 qualified company at the project facility after acceptance by the qualified 53 company of the proposal for benefits from the department or the approval notice 54 of intent, whichever occurs first, for real or personal property, and may include 55 the value of finance or capital leases for real or personal property for the term of 56 such lease at the project facility executed after acceptance by the qualified

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57 company of the proposal for benefits from the department or the approval of the 58 notice of intent;

- (12) "New direct local revenue", the present value of the dollar amount of direct net new tax revenues of the local political subdivisions likely to be produced by the project over a ten-year period as calculated by the department, excluding local earnings tax, and net new utility revenues, provided the local incentives include a discount or other direct incentives from utilities owned or operated by the political subdivision;
  - (13) "New job", the number of full-time employees located at the project facility that exceeds the project facility base employment less any decrease in the number of full-time employees at related facilities below the related facility base employment. No job that was created prior to the date of the notice of intent shall be deemed a new job. In no event shall a benefit under sections 620.2000 to 620.2020 be provided to any job other than a new job. A job shall not be considered a new job merely because of a change of ownership in the company, except when a company ceases to do business and there is a break in employment, and the company is subsequently restarted by new ownership. A company will be considered to have ceased business and been restarted by new ownership when all of the previous owners have been replaced by new owners. Companies acquired with partial ownership and which are qualified companies may be eligible to receive the benefits under sections 620.2000 to 620.2020 for the remaining term after the effective date of the acquisition;
  - (14) "New payroll", the amount of wages paid for all new jobs, located at the project facility during the qualified company's tax year that exceeds the project facility base payroll;
  - (15) "Notice of intent", a form developed by the department and available online, completed by the qualified company, and submitted to the department stating the qualified company's intent to request benefits under this program;
  - (16) "Owner", a person with an ownership interest in a company, including stockholders, partners, members of a limited liability company, or any similarly situated individual; provided however, that the term "owner" shall not include persons with less than a ten percent ownership interest, persons whose interest is solely through an employee stock ownership plan (ESOP) qualified under the Employee

Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) (Pub. L. 93-406), or persons who own only options to purchase stock or other equity interest in the company and said options have not yet been exercised; and provided further that the person does not have the right to manage the company or direct its operations either solely or as part of a larger group;

- 98 (17) "Percent of local incentives", the amount of local incentives divided 99 by the amount of new direct local revenue;
- 100 [(17)] (18) "Program", the Missouri works program established in 101 sections 620.2000 to 620.2020;
  - [(18)] (19) "Project facility", the building or buildings used by a qualified company at which new or retained jobs and any new capital investment are or will be located. A project facility may include separate buildings located within sixty miles of each other such that their purpose and operations are interrelated; provided that where the buildings making up the project facility are not located within the same county, the average wage of the new payroll shall exceed the applicable percentage of the highest county average wage among the counties in which the buildings are located. Upon approval by the department, a subsequent project facility may be designated if the qualified company demonstrates a need to relocate to the subsequent project facility at any time during the project period;
  - [(19)] (20) "Project facility base employment", the greater of the number of full-time employees located at the project facility on the date of the notice of intent or, for the twelve-month period prior to the date of the notice of intent, the average number of full-time employees located at the project facility. In the event the project facility has not been in operation for a full twelve-month period, the average number of full-time employees for the number of months the project facility has been in operation prior to the date of the notice of intent. In no event shall the benefits awarded under sections 620.2000 to 620.2020 be construed to apply to base employment;
  - [(20)] (21) "Project facility base payroll", the annualized payroll for the project facility base employment or the total amount of wages paid by the qualified company to full-time employees of the qualified company located at the project facility in the twelve months prior to the notice of intent. For purposes of calculating the benefits under this program each benefit year, the amount of base payroll shall [increase each year based on an appropriate measure, as determined by the department] be equal to or greater than the previous year's amount and the number of employees in the base shall remain

- 129 the same. Companies may report numbers of employees in the base by
- 130 hire date or by position replacement and shall declare the method in
- 131 their application. The method selected shall remain in effect for the
- 132 full term of benefits;
- 133 **[**(21)**] (22)** "Project period", the time period within which benefits are 134 awarded to a qualified company or within which the qualified company is
- 135 obligated to perform under an agreement with the department, whichever is
- 136 greater;
- [(22)] (23) "Projected net fiscal benefit", the total fiscal benefit to the
- 138 state less any state benefits offered to the qualified company, as determined by
- 139 the department;
- 140 [(23)] (24) "Qualified company", a firm, partnership, joint venture,
- 141 association, private or public corporation whether organized for profit or not, or
- 142 headquarters of such entity registered to do business in Missouri that is the
- owner or operator of a project facility, certifies that it offers health insurance to
- 144 all full-time employees of all facilities located in this state, and certifies that it
- 145 pays at least fifty percent of such insurance premiums. For the purposes of
- sections 620.2000 to 620.2020, the term "qualified company" shall not include:
- (a) Gambling establishments (NAICS industry group 7132);
- 148 (b) Store front consumer-based retail trade establishments (under NAICS
- 149 sectors 44 and 45), except with respect to any company headquartered in this
- 150 state with a majority of its full-time employees engaged in operations not within
- 151 the NAICS codes specified in this subdivision;
- 152 (c) Food and drinking places (NAICS subsector 722);
- (d) Public utilities (NAICS 221 including water and sewer services);
- (e) Any company that is delinquent in the payment of any nonprotested
- 155 taxes or any other amounts due the state or federal government or any other
- 156 political subdivision of this state;
- 157 (f) Any company requesting benefits for retained jobs that has filed for or
- 158 has publicly announced its intention to file for bankruptcy protection. However,
- 159 a company that has filed for or has publicly announced its intention to file for
- 160 bankruptcy may be a qualified company provided that such company:
- a. Certifies to the department that it plans to reorganize and not to
- 162 liquidate; and
- b. After its bankruptcy petition has been filed, it produces proof, in a form
- and at times satisfactory to the department, that it is not delinquent in filing any

165 tax returns or making any payment due to the state of Missouri, including but

- 166 not limited to all tax payments due after the filing of the bankruptcy petition and
- 167 under the terms of the plan of reorganization. Any taxpayer who is awarded
- 168 benefits under this subsection and who files for bankruptcy under Chapter 7 of
- 169 the United States Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 U.S.C., shall immediately notify the
- department and shall forfeit such benefits and shall repay the state an amount
- 171 equal to any state tax credits already redeemed and any withholding taxes
- 172 already retained;
- 173 (g) Educational services (NAICS sector 61);
- (h) Religious organizations (NAICS industry group 8131);
- (i) Public administration (NAICS sector 92);
- 176 (j) Ethanol distillation or production;
- 177 (k) Biodiesel production; or
- 178 (l) Health care and social services (NAICS sector 62).
- 179 Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, the headquarters,
- 180 administrative offices, or research and development facilities of an otherwise
- 181 excluded business may qualify for benefits if the offices or facilities serve a
- 182 multistate territory. In the event a national, state, or regional headquarters
- 183 operation is not the predominant activity of a project facility, the jobs and
- 184 investment of such operation shall be considered eligible for benefits under this
- 185 section if the other requirements are satisfied;
- 186 [(24)] **(25)** "Related company", shall mean:
- 187 (a) A corporation, partnership, trust, or association controlled by the
- 188 qualified company;
- (b) An individual, corporation, partnership, trust, or association in control
- 190 of the qualified company; or
- 191 (c) Corporations, partnerships, trusts or associations controlled by an
- 192 individual, corporation, partnership, trust, or association in control of the
- 193 qualified company. As used in this paragraph, "control of a qualified company"
- 194 shall mean:
- a. Ownership, directly or indirectly, of stock possessing at least fifty
- 196 percent of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock entitled to vote
- 197 in the case of a qualified company that is a corporation;
- b. Ownership of at least fifty percent of the capital or profits interest in
- 199 such qualified company if it is a partnership or association;
- 200 c. Ownership, directly or indirectly, of at least fifty percent of the

beneficial interest in the principal or income of such qualified company if it is a trust, and ownership shall be determined as provided in Section 318 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

- [(25)] (26) "Related facility", a facility operated by the qualified company or a related company located in this state that is directly related to the operations of the project facility or in which operations substantially similar to the operations of the project facility are performed;
- [(26)] (27) "Related facility base employment", the greater of the number of full-time employees located at all related facilities on the date of the notice of intent or, for the twelve-month period prior to the date of the notice of intent, the average number of full-time employees located at all related facilities of the qualified company or a related company located in this state;
- [(27)] (28) "Related facility base payroll", the annualized payroll of the related facility base payroll or the total amount of taxable wages paid by the qualified company to full-time employees of the qualified company located at a related facility in the twelve months prior to the filing of the notice of intent. For purposes of calculating the benefits under this program, the amount of related facility base payroll shall increase each year based on an appropriate measure, as determined by the department;
- [(28)] (29) "Rural area", a county in Missouri with a population less than seventy-five thousand or that does not contain an individual city with a population greater than fifty thousand according to the most recent federal decennial census;
- [(29)] (30) "Tax credits", tax credits issued by the department to offset the state taxes imposed by chapters 143 and 148, or which may be sold or refunded as provided for in this program;
- [(30)] (31) "Withholding tax", the state tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265. For purposes of this program, the withholding tax shall be computed using a schedule as determined by the department based on average wages; [and (31)]
- 231 This section is subject to the provisions of section 196.1127.

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