1	TAX CREDIT REVIEW AMENDMENTS
2	2016 THIRD SPECIAL SESSION
3	STATE OF UTAH
4	Chief Sponsor: Jeremy A. Peterson
5	Senate Sponsor: Curtis S. Bramble
6 7	LONG TITLE
8	General Description:
9	This bill provides for a review of certain tax credits.
)	Highlighted Provisions:
	This bill:
,	<ul> <li>requires the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to review certain credits</li> </ul>
3	related to individual income tax, corporate income tax, motor and special fuel tax,
ļ	taxation of admitted insurers, and economic development; and
5	<ul> <li>establishes requirements for the review by the Revenue and Taxation Interim</li> </ul>
Ó	Committee.
,	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
3	None
)	Other Special Clauses:
)	This bill provides a special effective date.
1	<b>Utah Code Sections Affected:</b>
2	AMENDS:
3	59-7-612, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 135
4	59-7-614, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapters 30, 133 and last amended
5	by Coordination Clause, Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 133
6	59-7-614.2, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapters 135 and 350
7	59-7-614.5, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 135



59-7-614.7, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 135
59-7-614.8, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 135
59-7-614.10, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 11
59-7-619, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 356
59-9-107, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2014, Chapter 435
59-10-1012, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 135
59-10-1013, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 135
59-10-1014, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 133
59-10-1024, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2011, Chapter 384
59-10-1025, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 354
59-10-1029, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 135
59-10-1030, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 135
59-10-1034, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 356
59-10-1037, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 11
59-10-1106, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 133
59-10-1107, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 135
59-10-1108, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 135
59-13-202, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 375
63N-2-106, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 344 and renumbered and
amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 283
63N-2-213, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 11
63N-2-305, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 283
63N-2-810, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapters 135 and 354
ENACTS:
<b>59-7-159</b> , Utah Code Annotated 1953
<b>59-10-137</b> , Utah Code Annotated 1953
Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
Section 1. Section 59-7-159 is enacted to read:
59-7-159. Review of credits allowed under this chapter.
(1) As used in this section, "committee" means the Revenue and Taxation Interim

59	Committee.
60	(2) (a) The committee shall review the tax credits described in this chapter as provided
61	in Subsection (3) and make recommendations concerning whether the tax credits should be
62	continued, modified, or repealed.
63	(b) In conducting the review required under Subsection (2)(a), the committee shall:
64	(i) schedule time on at least one committee agenda to conduct the review;
65	(ii) invite state agencies, individuals, and organizations concerned with the tax credit
66	under review to provide testimony;
67	(iii) (A) invite the Governor's Office of Economic Development to present a summary
68	and analysis of the information for each tax credit regarding which the Governor's Office of
69	Economic Development is required to make a report under this chapter; and
70	(B) invite the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst to present a summary and
71	analysis of the information for each tax credit regarding which the Office of the Legislative
72	Fiscal Analyst is required to make a report under this chapter;
73	(iv) ensure that the committee's recommendations described in this section include an
74	evaluation of:
75	(A) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
76	(B) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
77	(C) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit; and
78	(v) undertake other review efforts as determined by the committee chairs or as
79	otherwise required by law.
80	(3) (a) On or before November 30, 2017, and every three years after 2017, the
81	committee shall conduct the review required under Subsection (2) of the tax credits allowed
82	under the following sections:
83	(i) Section 59-7-601;
84	(ii) Section 59-7-607;
85	(iii) Section 59-7-612;
86	(iv) Section 59-7-614.1; and
87	(v) Section 59-7-614.5.
88	(b) On or before November 30, 2018, and every three years after 2018, the committee
89	shall conduct the review required under Subsection (2) of the tax credits allowed under the

90	<u>following sections:</u>
91	(i) Section 59-7-609;
92	(ii) Section 59-7-614.2;
93	(iii) Section 59-7-614.10;
94	(iv) Section 59-7-617;
95	(v) Section 59-7-619; and
96	(vi) Section <u>59-7-620.</u>
97	(c) On or before November 30, 2019, and every three years after 2019, the committee
98	shall conduct the review required under Subsection (2) of the tax credits allowed under the
99	<u>following sections:</u>
100	(i) Section 59-7-605;
101	(ii) Section 59-7-610;
102	(iii) Section 59-7-614;
103	(iv) Section 59-7-614.7;
104	(v) Section 59-7-614.8; and
105	(vi) Section 59-7-618.
106	(d) (i) In addition to the reviews described in this Subsection (3), the committee shall
107	conduct a review of a tax credit described in this chapter that is enacted on or after January 1,
108	<u>2017.</u>
109	(ii) The committee shall complete a review described in this Subsection (3)(d) three
110	years after the effective date of the tax credit and every three years after the initial review date.
111	Section 2. Section <b>59-7-612</b> is amended to read:
112	59-7-612. Tax credits for research activities conducted in the state Carry
113	forward Commission to report modification or repeal of certain federal provisions
114	Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee study.
115	(1) (a) A taxpayer meeting the requirements of this section may claim the following
116	nonrefundable tax credits:
117	(i) a research tax credit of 5% of the taxpayer's qualified research expenses for the
118	current taxable year that exceed the base amount provided for under Subsection (4);
119	(ii) a tax credit for a payment to a qualified organization for basic research as provided
120	in Section 41(e), Internal Revenue Code, of 5% for the current taxable year that exceed the

121	base amount provided for under Subsection (4); and
122	(iii) a tax credit equal to 7.5% of the taxpayer's qualified research expenses for the
123	current taxable year.
124	(b) Subject to Subsection (5), a taxpayer may claim a tax credit under:
125	(i) Subsection (1)(a)(i) or (1)(a)(iii), for the taxable year for which the taxpayer incurs
126	the qualified research expenses; or
127	(ii) Subsection (1)(a)(ii), for the taxable year for which the taxpayer makes the payment
128	to the qualified organization.
129	(c) The tax credits provided for in this section do not include the alternative
130	incremental credit provided for in Section 41(c)(4), Internal Revenue Code.
131	(2) For purposes of claiming a tax credit under this section, a unitary group as defined
132	in Section 59-7-101 is considered to be one taxpayer.
133	(3) Except as specifically provided for in this section:
134	(a) the tax credits authorized under Subsection (1) shall be calculated as provided in
135	Section 41, Internal Revenue Code; and
136	(b) the definitions provided in Section 41, Internal Revenue Code, apply in calculating
137	the tax credits authorized under Subsection (1).
138	(4) For purposes of this section:
139	(a) the base amount shall be calculated as provided in Sections 41(c) and 41(h),
140	Internal Revenue Code, except that:
141	(i) the base amount does not include the calculation of the alternative incremental
142	credit provided for in Section 41(c)(4), Internal Revenue Code;
143	(ii) a taxpayer's gross receipts include only those gross receipts attributable to sources
144	within this state as provided in Part 3, Allocation and Apportionment of Income - Utah
145	UDITPA Provisions; and
146	(iii) notwithstanding Section 41(c), Internal Revenue Code, for purposes of calculating
147	the base amount, a taxpayer:
148	(A) may elect to be treated as a start-up company as provided in Section 41(c)(3)(B)
149	regardless of whether the taxpayer meets the requirements of Section 41(c)(3)(B)(i)(I) or (II);

(B) may not revoke an election to be treated as a start-up company under Subsection

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153 (b) "basic research" is as defined in Section 41(e)(7), Internal Revenue Code, except 154 that the term includes only basic research conducted in this state;

- (c) "qualified research" is as defined in Section 41(d), Internal Revenue Code, except that the term includes only qualified research conducted in this state;
- (d) "qualified research expenses" is as defined and calculated in Section 41(b), Internal Revenue Code, except that the term includes only:
  - (i) in-house research expenses incurred in this state; and
  - (ii) contract research expenses incurred in this state; and
- (e) a tax credit provided for in this section is not terminated if a credit terminates under
   Section 41, Internal Revenue Code.
  - (5) (a) If the amount of a tax credit claimed by a taxpayer under Subsection (1)(a)(i) or (ii) exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability under this chapter for a taxable year, the amount of the tax credit exceeding the tax liability:
  - (i) may be carried forward for a period that does not exceed the next 14 taxable years; and
    - (ii) may not be carried back to a taxable year preceding the current taxable year.
    - (b) A taxpayer may not carry forward the tax credit allowed by Subsection (1)(a)(iii).
  - (6) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the commission may make rules for purposes of this section prescribing a certification process for qualified organizations to ensure that amounts paid to the qualified organizations are for basic research conducted in this state.
  - (7) If a provision of Section 41, Internal Revenue Code, is modified or repealed, the commission shall provide an electronic report of the modification or repeal to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee within 60 days after the day on which the modification or repeal becomes effective.
  - (8) (a) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall review the tax credits provided for in this section on or before October 1 of the year after the year in which the commission reports under Subsection (7) a modification or repeal of a provision of Section 41, Internal Revenue Code.
    - (b) The review described in Subsection (8)(a) is in addition to the review required by

183	Section 59-7-159.
184	[(b)] (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (8)(a), the Revenue and Taxation Interim
185	Committee is not required to review the tax credits provided for in this section if the only
186	modification to a provision of Section 41, Internal Revenue Code, is the extension of the
187	termination date provided for in Section 41(h), Internal Revenue Code.
188	[(e)] (d) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall address in a review under
189	this section:
190	(i) the cost of the tax credits provided for in this section;
191	(ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credits provided for in this section;
192	(iii) whether the tax credits provided for in this section benefit the state; and
193	(iv) whether the tax credits provided for in this section should be:
194	(A) continued;
195	(B) modified; or
196	(C) repealed.
197	[(d)] (e) If the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee reviews the tax credits
198	provided for in this section, the committee shall <u>issue a</u> report [its findings to the Legislative
199	Management Committee on or before the November interim meeting of the year in which the
200	Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee reviews the tax credits] of the Revenue and Taxation
201	Interim Committee's findings.
202	Section 3. Section <b>59-7-614</b> is amended to read:
203	59-7-614. Renewable energy systems tax credits Definitions Certification
204	Rulemaking authority.
205	(1) As used in this section:
206	(a) (i) "Active solar system" means a system of equipment that is capable of:
207	(A) collecting and converting incident solar radiation into thermal, mechanical, or
208	electrical energy; and
209	(B) transferring a form of energy described in Subsection (1)(a)(i)(A) by a separate
210	apparatus to storage or to the point of use.
211	(ii) "Active solar system" includes water heating, space heating or cooling, and
212	electrical or mechanical energy generation.
213	(b) "Biomass system" means a system of apparatus and equipment for use in:

214	(1) converting material into biomass energy, as defined in Section 39-12-102; and
215	(ii) transporting the biomass energy by separate apparatus to the point of use or storage.
216	(c) "Commercial energy system" means a system that is:
217	(i) (A) an active solar system;
218	(B) a biomass system;
219	(C) a direct use geothermal system;
220	(D) a geothermal electricity system;
221	(E) a geothermal heat pump system;
222	(F) a hydroenergy system;
223	(G) a passive solar system; or
224	(H) a wind system;
225	(ii) located in the state; and
226	(iii) used:
227	(A) to supply energy to a commercial unit; or
228	(B) as a commercial enterprise.
229	(d) "Commercial enterprise" means an entity, the purpose of which is to produce
230	electrical, mechanical, or thermal energy for sale from a commercial energy system.
231	(e) (i) "Commercial unit" means a building or structure that an entity uses to transact
232	business.
233	(ii) Notwithstanding Subsection (1)(e)(i):
234	(A) with respect to an active solar system used for agricultural water pumping or a wind
235	system, each individual energy generating device is considered to be a commercial unit; or
236	(B) if an energy system is the building or structure that an entity uses to transact
237	business, a commercial unit is the complete energy system itself.
238	(f) "Direct use geothermal system" means a system of apparatus and equipment that
239	enables the direct use of geothermal energy to meet energy needs, including heating a building,
240	an industrial process, and aquaculture.
241	(g) "Geothermal electricity" means energy that is:
242	(i) contained in heat that continuously flows outward from the earth; and
243	(ii) used as a sole source of energy to produce electricity.
244	(h) "Geothermal energy" means energy generated by heat that is contained in the earth.

245	(i) "Geothermal heat pump system" means a system of apparatus and equipment that:
246	(i) enables the use of thermal properties contained in the earth at temperatures well
247	below 100 degrees Fahrenheit; and
248	(ii) helps meet heating and cooling needs of a structure.
249	(j) "Hydroenergy system" means a system of apparatus and equipment that is capable
250	of:
251	(i) intercepting and converting kinetic water energy into electrical or mechanical
252	energy; and
253	(ii) transferring this form of energy by separate apparatus to the point of use or storage.
254	(k) "Office" means the Office of Energy Development created in Section 63M-4-401.
255	(l) (i) "Passive solar system" means a direct thermal system that utilizes the structure of
256	a building and its operable components to provide for collection, storage, and distribution of
257	heating or cooling during the appropriate times of the year by utilizing the climate resources
258	available at the site.
259	(ii) "Passive solar system" includes those portions and components of a building that
260	are expressly designed and required for the collection, storage, and distribution of solar energy.
261	(m) (i) "Principal recovery portion" means the portion of a lease payment that
262	constitutes the cost a person incurs in acquiring a commercial energy system.
263	(ii) "Principal recovery portion" does not include:
264	(A) an interest charge; or
265	(B) a maintenance expense.
266	(n) "Residential energy system" means the following used to supply energy to or for a
267	residential unit:
268	(i) an active solar system;
269	(ii) a biomass system;
270	(iii) a direct use geothermal system;
271	(iv) a geothermal heat pump system;
272	(v) a hydroenergy system;
273	(vi) a passive solar system; or
274	(vii) a wind system.
275	(o) (i) "Residential unit" means a house, condominium, apartment, or similar dwelling

276	unit that:
277	(A) is located in the state; and
278	(B) serves as a dwelling for a person, group of persons, or a family.
279	(ii) "Residential unit" does not include property subject to a fee under:
280	(A) Section 59-2-404;
281	(B) Section 59-2-405;
282	(C) Section 59-2-405.1;
283	(D) Section 59-2-405.2; or
284	(E) Section 59-2-405.3.
285	(p) "Wind system" means a system of apparatus and equipment that is capable of:
286	(i) intercepting and converting wind energy into mechanical or electrical energy; and
287	(ii) transferring these forms of energy by a separate apparatus to the point of use, sale,
288	or storage.
289	(2) A taxpayer may claim an energy system tax credit as provided in this section
290	against a tax due under this chapter for a taxable year.
291	(3) (a) Subject to the other provisions of this Subsection (3), a taxpayer may claim a
292	nonrefundable tax credit under this Subsection (3) with respect to a residential unit the taxpayer
293	owns or uses if:
294	(i) the taxpayer:
295	(A) purchases and completes a residential energy system to supply all or part of the
296	energy required for the residential unit; or
297	(B) participates in the financing of a residential energy system to supply all or part of
298	the energy required for the residential unit;
299	(ii) the residential energy system is completed and placed in service on or after January
300	1, 2007; and
301	(iii) the taxpayer obtains a written certification from the office in accordance with
302	Subsection (7).
303	(b) (i) Subject to Subsections (3)(b)(ii) through (v), the tax credit is equal to 25% of the
304	reasonable costs of each residential energy system installed with respect to each residential unit

(ii) A tax credit under this Subsection (3) may include installation costs.

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307 (iii) A taxpayer may claim a tax credit under this Subsection (3) for the taxable year in 308 which the residential energy system is completed and placed in service. 309 (iv) If the amount of a tax credit under this Subsection (3) exceeds a taxpayer's tax 310 liability under this chapter for a taxable year, the amount of the tax credit exceeding the 311 liability may be carried forward for a period that does not exceed the next four taxable years. 312 (v) The total amount of tax credit a taxpayer may claim under this Subsection (3) may 313 not exceed \$2,000 per residential unit. 314 (c) If a taxpayer sells a residential unit to another person before the taxpayer claims the 315 tax credit under this Subsection (3): 316 (i) the taxpayer may assign the tax credit to the other person; and 317 (ii) (A) if the other person files a return under this chapter, the other person may claim 318 the tax credit under this section as if the other person had met the requirements of this section 319 to claim the tax credit; or 320 (B) if the other person files a return under Chapter 10, Individual Income Tax Act, the 321 other person may claim the tax credit under Section 59-10-1014 as if the other person had met 322 the requirements of Section 59-10-1014 to claim the tax credit. 323 (4) (a) Subject to the other provisions of this Subsection (4), a taxpayer may claim a 324 refundable tax credit under this Subsection (4) with respect to a commercial energy system if: 325 (i) the commercial energy system does not use: 326 (A) wind, geothermal electricity, solar, or biomass equipment capable of producing a 327 total of 660 or more kilowatts of electricity; or 328 (B) solar equipment capable of producing 2,000 or more kilowatts of electricity; 329 (ii) the taxpayer purchases or participates in the financing of the commercial energy 330 system; 331 (iii) (A) the commercial energy system supplies all or part of the energy required by 332 commercial units owned or used by the taxpayer; or 333 (B) the taxpayer sells all or part of the energy produced by the commercial energy

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(iv) the commercial energy system is completed and placed in service on or after

(v) the taxpayer obtains a written certification from the office in accordance with

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338	Subsection (7).
339	(b) (i) Subject to Subsections (4)(b)(ii) through (v), the tax credit is equal to 10% of the
340	reasonable costs of the commercial energy system.
341	(ii) A tax credit under this Subsection (4) may include installation costs.
342	(iii) A taxpayer may claim a tax credit under this Subsection (4) for the taxable year in
343	which the commercial energy system is completed and placed in service.
344	(iv) A tax credit under this Subsection (4) may not be carried forward or carried back.
345	(v) The total amount of tax credit a taxpayer may claim under this Subsection (4) may
346	not exceed \$50,000 per commercial unit.
347	(c) (i) Subject to Subsections (4)(c)(ii) and (iii), a taxpayer that is a lessee of a
348	commercial energy system installed on a commercial unit may claim a tax credit under this
349	Subsection (4) if the taxpayer confirms that the lessor irrevocably elects not to claim the tax
350	credit.
351	(ii) A taxpayer described in Subsection (4)(c)(i) may claim as a tax credit under this
352	Subsection (4) only the principal recovery portion of the lease payments.
353	(iii) A taxpayer described in Subsection (4)(c)(i) may claim a tax credit under this
354	Subsection (4) for a period that does not exceed seven taxable years after the date the lease
355	begins, as stated in the lease agreement.
356	(5) (a) Subject to the other provisions of this Subsection (5), a taxpayer may claim a
357	refundable tax credit under this Subsection (5) with respect to a commercial energy system if:
358	(i) the commercial energy system uses wind, geothermal electricity, or biomass
359	equipment capable of producing a total of 660 or more kilowatts of electricity;
360	(ii) (A) the commercial energy system supplies all or part of the energy required by
361	commercial units owned or used by the taxpayer; or
362	(B) the taxpayer sells all or part of the energy produced by the commercial energy
363	system as a commercial enterprise;
364	(iii) the commercial energy system is completed and placed in service on or after
365	January 1, 2007; and

(b) (i) Subject to Subsections (5)(b)(ii) and (iii), a tax credit under this Subsection (5)

(iv) the taxpayer obtains a written certification from the office in accordance with

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369	is equal to the product of:
370	(A) 0.35 cents; and
371	(B) the kilowatt hours of electricity produced and used or sold during the taxable year.
372	(ii) A tax credit under this Subsection (5) may be claimed for production occurring
373	during a period of 48 months beginning with the month in which the commercial energy
374	system is placed in commercial service.
375	(iii) A tax credit under this Subsection (5) may not be carried forward or carried back.
376	(c) A taxpayer that is a lessee of a commercial energy system installed on a commercial
377	unit may claim a tax credit under this Subsection (5) if the taxpayer confirms that the lessor
378	irrevocably elects not to claim the tax credit.
379	(6) (a) Subject to the other provisions of this Subsection (6), a taxpayer may claim a
380	refundable tax credit as provided in this Subsection (6) if:
381	(i) the taxpayer owns a commercial energy system that uses solar equipment capable of
382	producing a total of 660 or more kilowatts of electricity;
383	(ii) (A) the commercial energy system supplies all or part of the energy required by
384	commercial units owned or used by the taxpayer; or
385	(B) the taxpayer sells all or part of the energy produced by the commercial energy
386	system as a commercial enterprise;
387	(iii) the taxpayer does not claim a tax credit under Subsection (4);
388	(iv) the commercial energy system is completed and placed in service on or after
389	January 1, 2015; and
390	(v) the taxpayer obtains a written certification from the office in accordance with
391	Subsection (7).
392	(b) (i) Subject to Subsections (6)(b)(ii) and (iii), a tax credit under this Subsection (6)
393	is equal to the product of:
394	(A) 0.35 cents; and
395	(B) the kilowatt hours of electricity produced and used or sold during the taxable year.
396	(ii) A tax credit under this Subsection (6) may be claimed for production occurring
397	during a period of 48 months beginning with the month in which the commercial energy
398	system is placed in commercial service.
399	(iii) A tax credit under this Subsection (6) may not be carried forward or carried back.

400 (c) A taxpayer that is a lessee of a commercial energy system installed on a commercial 401 unit may claim a tax credit under this Subsection (6) if the taxpayer confirms that the lessor 402 irrevocably elects not to claim the tax credit. 403 (7) (a) Before a taxpayer may claim a tax credit under this section, the taxpayer shall 404 obtain a written certification from the office. 405 (b) The office shall issue a taxpayer a written certification if the office determines that: 406 (i) the taxpayer meets the requirements of this section to receive a tax credit; and 407 (ii) the residential energy system or commercial energy system with respect to which 408 the taxpayer seeks to claim a tax credit: 409 (A) has been completely installed; 410 (B) is a viable system for saving or producing energy from renewable resources; and 411 (C) is safe, reliable, efficient, and technically feasible to ensure that the residential 412 energy system or commercial energy system uses the state's renewable and nonrenewable energy resources in an appropriate and economic manner. 413 414 (c) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the 415 office may make rules: 416 (i) for determining whether a residential energy system or commercial energy system 417 meets the requirements of Subsection (7)(b)(ii); and 418 (ii) for purposes of a tax credit under Subsection (3) or (4), establishing the reasonable 419 costs of a residential energy system or a commercial energy system, as an amount per unit of 420 energy production. 421 (d) A taxpayer that obtains a written certification from the office shall retain the 422 certification for the same time period a person is required to keep books and records under 423 Section 59-1-1406. 424 (8) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the 425 commission may make rules to address the certification of a tax credit under this section. 426 (9) A tax credit under this section is in addition to any tax credits provided under the

[(10) (a) On or before October 1, 2017, and every five years after 2017, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall review each tax credit provided by this section and report its recommendations to the Legislative Management Committee concerning whether the

laws or rules and regulations of the United States.

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431	tax credit should be continued, modified, or repealed.
432	[(b) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee's report under Subsection (10)(a)
433	shall include information concerning the cost of the tax credit, the purpose and effectiveness of
434	the tax credit, and the state's benefit from the tax credit.]
435	Section 4. Section <b>59-7-614.2</b> is amended to read:
436	59-7-614.2. Refundable economic development tax credit.
437	(1) As used in this section:
438	(a) "Business entity" means a taxpayer that meets the definition of "business entity" as
439	defined in Section 63N-2-103.
440	(b) "Community reinvestment agency" means the same as that term is defined in
441	Section 17C-1-102.
442	(c) "Local government entity" means the same as that term is defined in Section
443	63N-2-103.
444	(d) "New incremental jobs" means the same as that term is defined in Section
445	63N-2-103.
446	(e) "New state revenues" means the same as that term is defined in Section 63N-2-103.
447	(f) "Office" means the Governor's Office of Economic Development.
448	(2) Subject to the other provisions of this section, a business entity, local government
449	entity, or community reinvestment agency may claim a refundable tax credit for economic
450	development.
451	(3) The tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax credit amount on the
452	tax credit certificate that the office issues to the business entity, local government entity, or
453	community reinvestment agency for the taxable year.
454	(4) A community reinvestment agency may claim a tax credit under this section only if
455	a local government entity assigns the tax credit to the community reinvestment agency in
456	accordance with Section 63N-2-104.
457	(5) (a) In accordance with any rules prescribed by the commission under Subsection
458	(5)(b), the commission shall make a refund to the following that claim a tax credit under this
459	section:
460	(i) a local government entity;
461	(ii) a community reinvestment agency; or

462	(iii) a business entity if the amount of the tax credit exceeds the business entity's tax
463	liability for a taxable year.
464	(b) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
465	commission may make rules providing procedures for making a refund to a business entity,
466	local government entity, or community reinvestment agency as required by Subsection (5)(a).
467	(6) (a) [On or before October 1, 2013, and every five years after October 1, 2013] In
468	accordance with Section 59-7-159, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall study
469	the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations [to the Legislative
470	Management Committee] concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or
471	repealed.
472	(b) [For] Except as provided in Subsection (6)(c), for purposes of the study required by
473	this Subsection (6), the office shall provide the following information, if available to the office,
474	to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee by electronic means:
475	(i) the amount of tax credit that the office grants to each business entity, local
476	government entity, or community reinvestment agency for each calendar year;
477	(ii) the criteria that the office uses in granting a tax credit;
478	(iii) (A) for a business entity, the new state revenues generated by the business entity
479	for the calendar year; or
480	(B) for a local government entity, regardless of whether the local government entity
481	assigns the tax credit in accordance with Section 63N-2-104, the new state revenues generated
482	as a result of a new commercial project within the local government entity for each calendar
483	year;
484	(iv) estimates for each of the next [five] three calendar years of the following:
485	(A) the amount of tax credits that the office will grant;
486	(B) the amount of new state revenues that will be generated; and
487	(C) the number of new incremental jobs within the state that will be generated;
488	(v) the information contained in the office's latest report [to the Legislature] under
489	Section 63N-2-106; and
490	(vi) any other information that the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee requests.
491	(c) (i) In providing the information described in Subsection (6)(b), the office shall
492	redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section.

company as required by Subsection (4)(a).

(ii) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (6)(c)(i), reporting the
information described in Subsection (6)(b) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a tax
credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to
provide the information described in Subsection (6)(b) in the aggregate for all entities and
agencies that receive the tax credit under this section.
[(e)] (d) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that [its] the
recommendations [under] described in Subsection (6)(a) include an evaluation of:
(i) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
(ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.
Section 5. Section <b>59-7-614.5</b> is amended to read:
59-7-614.5. Refundable motion picture tax credit.
(1) As used in this section:
(a) "Motion picture company" means a taxpayer that meets the definition of a motion
picture company under Section 63N-8-102.
(b) "Office" means the Governor's Office of Economic Development created in Section
<u>63N-1-201</u> .
(c) "State-approved production" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that
term is defined in Section 63N-8-102.
(2) For $\underline{a}$ taxable [years] year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, a motion picture
company may claim a refundable tax credit for a state-approved production.
(3) The tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax credit amount on the
tax credit certificate that the office issues to a motion picture company under Section
63N-8-103 for the taxable year.
(4) (a) In accordance with any rules prescribed by the commission under Subsection
(4)(b), the commission shall make a refund to a motion picture company that claims a tax
credit under this section if the amount of the tax credit exceeds the motion picture company's
tax liability for a taxable year.
(b) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
commission may make rules providing procedures for making a refund to a motion picture

524	(5) (a) [On or before October 1, 2014, and every five years after October 1, 2014] In
525	accordance with Section 59-7-159, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall study
526	the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations [to the Legislative
527	Management Committee] concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or
528	repealed.
529	(b) [For] (i) Except as provided in Subsection (5)(b)(ii), for purposes of the study
530	required by this Subsection (5), the office shall provide the following information [to the
531	Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee], if available to the office, to the Office of the
532	Legislative Fiscal Analyst by electronic means:
533	[(i)] (A) the amount of tax credit that the office grants to each motion picture company
534	for each calendar year; [and]
535	(B) estimates of the amount of tax credit that the office will grant for each of the next
536	[five] three calendar years;
537	[(ii)] (C) the criteria that the office uses in granting the tax credit;
538	[(iii)] (D) the dollars left in the state, as defined in Section 63N-8-102, by each motion
539	picture company for each calendar year;
540	[(iv)] (E) the information contained in the office's latest report [to the Legislature]
541	under Section 63N-8-105; and
542	[(v)] (F) any other information [requested by] that the [Revenue and Taxation Interim
543	Committee] Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst requests.
544	(ii) (A) In providing the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i), the office shall
545	redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section.
546	(B) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (5)(b)(ii)(A), reporting
547	the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a
548	tax credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to
549	provide the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) in the aggregate for all motion picture
550	companies that receive the tax credit under this section.
551	(c) As part of the study required by this Subsection (5), the Office of the Legislative
552	Fiscal Analyst shall report to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee a summary and
553	analysis of the information provided to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by the
554	office under Subsection (5)(b).

222	$[\frac{(c)}{(d)}]$ The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that $[\frac{t}{t}]$ the
556	recommendations [under] described in Subsection (5)(a) include an evaluation of:
557	(i) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
558	(ii) the effectiveness of the tax credit; and
559	(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.
560	Section 6. Section <b>59-7-614.7</b> is amended to read:
561	59-7-614.7. Nonrefundable alternative energy development tax credit.
562	(1) As used in this section:
563	(a) "Alternative energy entity" [is as] means the same as that term is defined in Section
564	63M-4-502.
565	(b) "Alternative energy project" [is as] means the same as that term is defined in
566	Section 63M-4-502.
567	(c) "Office" [is as defined] means the Office of Energy Development created in Section
568	63M-4-401.
569	(2) Subject to the other provisions of this section, an alternative energy entity may
570	claim a nonrefundable tax credit for alternative energy development as provided in this section.
571	(3) The tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax credit amount on a
572	tax credit certificate that the office issues under Title 63M, Chapter 4, Part 5, Alternative
573	Energy Development Tax Credit Act, to the alternative energy entity for the taxable year.
574	(4) An alternative energy entity may carry forward a tax credit under this section for a
575	period that does not exceed the next seven taxable years if:
576	(a) the alternative energy entity is allowed to claim a tax credit under this section for a
577	taxable year; and
578	(b) the amount of the tax credit exceeds the alternative energy entity's tax liability
579	under this chapter for that taxable year.
580	(5) (a) [On or before October 1, 2017, and every five years after October 1, 2017] In
581	accordance with Section 59-7-159, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall study
582	the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations [to the Legislative
583	Management Committee] concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or
584	repealed.
585	(b) [For] (i) Except as provided in Subsection (5)(b)(ii), for purposes of the study

086	required by this Subsection (5), the office shall provide the following information, if available
587	to the office, to the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee] Office of the Legislative Fiscal
588	Analyst by electronic means:
589	[(i)] (A) the amount of tax credit that the office grants to each alternative energy entity
590	for each taxable year;
591	[(ii)] (B) the new state revenues generated by each alternative energy project;
592	[(iii)] (C) the information contained in the office's latest report [to the Legislature]
593	under Section 63M-4-505; and
594	[(iv)] (D) any other information that the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee]
595	Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst requests.
596	(ii) (A) In providing the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i), the office shall
597	redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section.
598	(B) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (5)(b)(ii)(A), reporting
599	the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a
600	tax credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to
501	provide the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) in the aggregate for all alternative
502	energy entities that receive the tax credit under this section.
503	(c) As part of the study required by this Subsection (5), the Office of the Legislative
504	Fiscal Analyst shall report to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee a summary and
505	analysis of the information provided to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by the
606	office under Subsection (5)(b).
507	[(c)] (d) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that [its] the
608	recommendations [under] described in Subsection (5)(a) include an evaluation of:
509	(i) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
510	(ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
511	(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.
512	Section 7. Section <b>59-7-614.8</b> is amended to read:
513	59-7-614.8. Nonrefundable alternative energy manufacturing tax credit.
514	(1) As used in this section:
515	(a) "Alternative energy entity" means the same as that term is defined in Section
516	63N-2-702.

(b) "Alternative energy manufacturing project" means the same as that term is defined
in Section 63N-2-702.
(c) "New incremental job within the state" means the same as that term is defined in

- 620 Section 63N-2-702.
  - (d) "New state revenues" means the same as that term is defined in Section 63N-2-702.
- 622 (e) "Office" means the Governor's Office of Economic Development <u>created in Section</u>
  623 63N-1-201.

- (2) Subject to the other provisions of this section, an alternative energy entity may claim a nonrefundable tax credit for alternative energy manufacturing as provided in this section.
- (3) The tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax credit amount on a tax credit certificate that the office issues under Title 63N, Chapter 2, Part 7, Alternative Energy Manufacturing Tax Credit Act, to the alternative energy entity for the taxable year.
- (4) An alternative energy entity may carry forward a tax credit under this section for a period that does not exceed the next seven taxable years if:
- (a) the alternative energy entity is allowed to claim a tax credit under this section for a taxable year; and
- (b) the amount of the tax credit exceeds the alternative energy entity's tax liability under this chapter for that taxable year.
- (5) (a) [On or before October 1, 2017, and every five years after October 1, 2017] In accordance with Section 59-7-159, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall study the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations [to the Legislative Management Committee] concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or repealed.
- (b) [For] Except as provided in Subsection (5)(c), for purposes of the study required by this Subsection (5), the office shall provide the following information, if available to the office, to the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee] Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by electronic means:
- (i) the amount of tax credit that the office grants to each alternative energy entity for each taxable year;
  - (ii) the new state revenues generated by each alternative energy manufacturing project;

648	(iii) estimates for each of the next [five] three calendar years of the following:
649	(A) the amount of tax credits that the office will grant;
650	(B) the amount of new state revenues that will be generated; and
651	(C) the number of new incremental jobs within the state that will be generated;
652	(iv) the information contained in the office's latest report [to the Legislature] under
653	Section 63N-2-705; and
654	(v) any other information that the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee] Office of
655	the Legislative Fiscal Analyst requests.
656	(c) (i) In providing the information described in Subsection (5)(b), the office shall
657	redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section.
658	(ii) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (5)(c)(i), reporting the
659	information described in Subsection (5)(b) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a tax
660	credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to
661	provide the information described in Subsection (5)(b) in the aggregate for all alternative
662	energy entities that receive the tax credit under this section.
663	(d) As part of the study required by this Subsection (5), the Office of the Legislative
664	Fiscal Analyst shall report to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee a summary and
665	analysis of the information provided to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by the
666	office under Subsection (5)(b).
667	[(e)] (e) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that [its] the
668	recommendations [under] described in Subsection (5)(a) include an evaluation of:
669	(i) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
670	(ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
671	(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.
672	Section 8. Section <b>59-7-614.10</b> is amended to read:
673	59-7-614.10. Nonrefundable enterprise zone tax credit.
674	(1) As used in this section:
675	(a) "Business entity" means a corporation that meets the definition of "business entity"
676	as that term is defined in Section 63N-2-202.
677	(b) "Office" means the Governor's Office of Economic Development created in Section
678	63N-1-201.

679 (2) Subject to the provisions of this section, a business entity may claim a 680 nonrefundable enterprise zone tax credit as described in Section 63N-2-213. 681 (3) The enterprise zone tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax 682 credit amount on the tax credit certificate that the office issues to the business entity for the 683 taxable year. 684 (4) A business entity may carry forward a tax credit under this section for a period that 685 does not exceed the next three taxable years, if the amount of the tax credit exceeds the 686 business entity's tax liability under this chapter for that taxable year. 687 (5) A business entity may not claim or carry forward a tax credit available under this 688 part for a taxable year during which the business entity has claimed the targeted business 689 income tax credit available under Section 63N-2-305. 690 (6) (a) [On or before October 1, 2018, and every five years after October 1, 2018] In 691 accordance with Section 59-7-159, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall study 692 the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations [to the Legislative 693 Management Committee] concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or 694 repealed. 695 (b) [For] (i) Except as provided in Subsection (6)(b)(ii), for purposes of the study 696 required by this Subsection (6), the office shall provide by electronic means the following 697 information for each calendar year to the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee] Office of 698 the Legislative Fiscal Analyst: 699 [(i)] (A) the amount of tax credits provided in each development zone; 700 [(ii)] (B) the number of new full-time employee positions reported to obtain tax credits 701 in each development zone; 702 [(iii)] (C) the amount of tax credits awarded for rehabilitating a building in each 703 development zone; 704 [(iv)] (D) the amount of tax credits awarded for investing in a plant, equipment, or 705 other depreciable property in each development zone; 706 [<del>(v)</del>] (E) the information related to the tax credit contained in the office's latest report

[(vi)] (F) any other information [as requested by the Revenue and Taxation Interim

[to the Legislature] under Section 63N-1-301; and

Committee] that the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst requests.

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710 (ii) (A) In providing the information described in Subsection (6)(b)(i), the office shall 711 redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section. 712 (B) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (6)(b)(ii)(A), reporting 713 the information described in Subsection (6)(b)(i) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a 714 tax credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to 715 provide the information described in Subsection (6)(b)(i) in the aggregate for all development 716 zones that receive the tax credit under this section. 717 (c) As part of the study required by this Subsection (6), the Office of the Legislative 718 Fiscal Analyst shall report to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee a summary and 719 analysis of the information provided to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by the 720 office under Subsection (6)(b). 721 [<del>(c)</del>] (d) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that [its] the 722 recommendations [under] described in Subsection (6)(a) include an evaluation of: (i) the cost of the tax credit to the state; 723 724 (ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and 725 (iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit. 726 Section 9. Section **59-7-619** is amended to read: 59-7-619. Nonrefundable high cost infrastructure development tax credit. 727 728 (1) As used in this section: (a) "High cost infrastructure project" means the same as that term is defined in Section 729 730 63M-4-602. 731 (b) "Infrastructure cost-burdened entity" means the same as that term is defined in 732 Section 63M-4-602. (c) "Infrastructure-related revenue" means the same as that term is defined in Section 733 734 63M-4-602. 735 (d) "Office" means the Office of Energy Development created in Section 63M-4-401. 736 (2) Subject to the other provisions of this section, a corporation that is an infrastructure 737 cost-burdened entity may claim a nonrefundable tax credit for development of a high cost 738 infrastructure project as provided in this section.

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(3) The tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax credit amount on a

741 Infrastructure Development Tax Credit Act, to the infrastructure cost-burdened entity for the 742 taxable year. 743 (4) An infrastructure cost-burdened entity may carry forward a tax credit under this 744 section for a period that does not exceed the next seven taxable years if: 745 (a) the infrastructure cost-burdened entity is allowed to claim a tax credit under this 746 section for a taxable year; and 747 (b) the amount of the tax credit exceeds the infrastructure cost-burdened entity's tax 748 liability under this chapter for that taxable year. 749 (5) (a) [On or before October 1, 2020, and every five years after October 1, 2020] In accordance with Section 59-7-159, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall study 750 751 the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations [to the Legislative 752 Management Committee] concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or 753 repealed. 754 (b) [For] (i) Except as provided in Subsection (5)(b)(ii), for purposes of the study 755 required by this Subsection (5), the office shall provide the following information, if available 756 to the office, to the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee] Office of the Legislative Fiscal 757 Analyst: [(i)] (A) the amount of tax credit that the office grants to each infrastructure 758 759 cost-burdened entity for each taxable year; [(ii)] (B) the infrastructure-related revenue generated by each high cost infrastructure 760 761 project; 762 [(iii)] (C) the information contained in the office's latest report [to the Legislature] 763 under Section 63M-4-505; and 764 [(iv)] (D) any other information that the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee] 765 Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst requests. 766 (ii) (A) In providing the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i), the office shall 767 redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section. 768 (B) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (5)(b)(ii)(A), reporting 769 the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a

tax credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to

provide the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) in the aggregate for all infrastructure

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- cost-burdened entities that receive the tax credit under this section.
- (c) As part of the study required by this Subsection (5), the Office of the Legislative
- 774 Fiscal Analyst shall report to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee a summary and
- analysis of the information provided to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by the
- office under Subsection (5)(b).
  - [(c)] (d) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee's] recommendations [under] described in Subsection (5)(a)
- include an evaluation of:

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- 780 (i) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
- 781 (ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
- 782 (iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.
- Section 10. Section **59-9-107** is amended to read:
- 784 **59-9-107.** Nonrefundable small business jobs credit.
- 785 (1) As used in this section:
- 786 (a) "Credit allowance date" [is as] means the same as that term is defined in Section 787 63N-2-602.
  - (b) "Office" [is as defined] means the Governor's Office of Economic Development created in Section [63N-1-102] 63N-1-201.
  - (c) "Tax credit certificate" [is as] means the same as that term is defined in Section 63N-2-602.
    - (2) An entity may claim a nonrefundable tax credit against a tax liability under this chapter in accordance with this section if the entity is issued a tax credit certificate by the office under Subsection 63N-2-603(11). The office shall issue a tax credit certificate to an entity that is allocated tax credits under Subsection 63N-2-603(11)(e).
    - (3) The tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax credit amount on the tax credit certificate issued to the entity for the calendar year.
      - (4) An entity may carry forward a tax credit under this section for seven years if:
      - (a) the entity is allowed to claim a tax credit under this section for a calendar year; and
- 800 (b) the amount of the tax credit exceeds the entity's tax liability under this chapter for 801 that calendar year.
- 802 (5) An entity required to pay a retaliatory tax levied under this chapter for a reason

803	other than claiming the tax credit may claim the tax credit after the retaliatory tax amount is
304	calculated, and the tax credit may be used to offset retaliatory tax liability.
305	(6) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this section, this section does not apply to
306	an admitted insurer to the extent that the admitted insurer writes workers' compensation
307	insurance in this state and has premiums taxed under Subsection 59-9-101(2).
808	(7) (a) On or before November 30, 2018, and every three years after 2018, the Revenue
809	and Taxation Interim Committee shall review the tax credit provided by this section and make
310	recommendations concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or
311	repealed.
312	(b) In conducting the review required by Subsection (7)(a), the Revenue and Taxation
313	Interim Committee shall:
314	(i) schedule time on at least one committee agenda to conduct the review;
315	(ii) invite state agencies, individuals, and organizations concerned with the tax credit
316	under review to provide testimony;
317	(iii) ensure that the recommendations described in this section include an evaluation of
318	(A) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
319	(B) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
320	(C) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit; and
321	(iv) undertake other review efforts as determined by the chairs of the Revenue and
322	<u>Taxation Interim Committee.</u>
323	Section 11. Section <b>59-10-137</b> is enacted to read:
324	59-10-137. Review of credits allowed under this chapter.
325	(1) As used in this section, "committee" means the Revenue and Taxation Interim
326	Committee.
327	(2) (a) The committee shall review the tax credits described in this chapter as provided
328	in Subsection (3) and make recommendations concerning whether the tax credits should be
329	continued, modified, or repealed.
330	(b) In conducting the review required under Subsection (2)(a), the committee shall:
331	(i) schedule time on at least one committee agenda to conduct the review;
332	(ii) invite state agencies, individuals, and organizations concerned with the tax credit
333	under review to provide testimony;

834	(iii) (A) invite the Governor's Office of Economic Development to present a summary
835	and analysis of the information for each tax credit regarding which the Governor's Office of
836	Economic Development is required to make a report under this chapter; and
837	(B) invite the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst to present a summary and
838	analysis of the information for each tax credit regarding which the Office of the Legislative
839	Fiscal Analyst is required to make a report under this chapter;
840	(iv) ensure that the committee's recommendations described in this section include an
841	evaluation of:
842	(A) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
843	(B) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
844	(C) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit; and
845	(v) undertake other review efforts as determined by the committee chairs or as
846	otherwise required by law.
847	(3) (a) On or before November 30, 2017, and every three years after 2017, the
848	committee shall conduct the review required under Subsection (2) of the tax credits allowed
849	under the following sections:
850	(i) Section 59-10-1004;
851	(ii) Section 59-10-1010;
852	(iii) Section 59-10-1015;
853	(iv) Section 59-10-1025;
854	(v) Section 59-10-1027;
855	(vi) Section 59-10-1031;
856	(vii) Section 59-10-1032;
857	(viii) Section 59-10-1035;
858	(ix) Section 59-10-1104;
859	(x) Section 59-10-1105; and
860	(xi) Section 59-10-1108.
861	(b) On or before November 30, 2018, and every three years after 2018, the committee
862	shall conduct the review required under Subsection (2) of the tax credits allowed under the
863	following sections:
864	(i) Section 59-10-1005;

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              (ii) Section 59-10-1006;
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              (iii) Section 59-10-1012;
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              (iv) Section 59-10-1013;
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              (v) Section 59-10-1022;
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              (vi) Section 59-10-1023;
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              (vii) Section 59-10-1028;
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              (viii) Section 59-10-1034;
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              (ix) Section 59-10-1037; and
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              (x) Section 59-10-1107.
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              (c) On or before November 30, 2019, and every three years after 2019, the committee
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       shall conduct the review required under Subsection (2) of the tax credits allowed under the
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       following sections:
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              (i) Section 59-10-1007;
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              (ii) Section 59-10-1009;
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              (iii) Section 59-10-1014;
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              (iv) Section 59-10-1017;
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              (v) Section 59-10-1018;
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              (vii) Section 59-10-1024;
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              (ix) Section 59-10-1030;
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              (x) Section 59-10-1033;
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              (xi) Section 59-10-1036;
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              (xiii) Section 59-10-1111.
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              (d) (i) In addition to the reviews described in this Subsection (3), the committee shall
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       conduct a review of a tax credit described in this chapter that is enacted on or after January 1,
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              (ii) The committee shall complete a review described in this Subsection (3)(d) three
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       years after the effective date of the tax credit and every three years after the initial review date.
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Section 12. Section **59-10-1012** is amended to read:

896	59-10-1012. Tax credits for research activities conducted in the state Carry
897	forward Commission to report modification or repeal of certain federal provisions
898	Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee study.
899	(1) (a) A claimant, estate, or trust meeting the requirements of this section may claim
900	the following nonrefundable tax credits:
901	(i) a research tax credit of 5% of the claimant's, estate's, or trust's qualified research
902	expenses for the current taxable year that exceed the base amount provided for under
903	Subsection (3);
904	(ii) a tax credit for a payment to a qualified organization for basic research as provided
905	in Section 41(e), Internal Revenue Code of 5% for the current taxable year that exceed the base
906	amount provided for under Subsection (3); and
907	(iii) a tax credit equal to 7.5% of the claimant's, estate's, or trust's qualified research
908	expenses for the current taxable year.
909	(b) Subject to Subsection (4), a claimant, estate, or trust may claim a tax credit under:
910	(i) Subsection (1)(a)(i) or (1)(a)(iii), for the taxable year for which the claimant, estate,
911	or trust incurs the qualified research expenses; or
912	(ii) Subsection (1)(a)(ii), for the taxable year for which the claimant, estate, or trust
913	makes the payment to the qualified organization.
914	(c) The tax credits provided for in this section do not include the alternative
915	incremental credit provided for in Section 41(c)(4), Internal Revenue Code.
916	(2) Except as specifically provided for in this section:
917	(a) the tax credits authorized under Subsection (1) shall be calculated as provided in
918	Section 41, Internal Revenue Code; and
919	(b) the definitions provided in Section 41, Internal Revenue Code, apply in calculating
920	the tax credits authorized under Subsection (1).
921	(3) For purposes of this section:
922	(a) the base amount shall be calculated as provided in Sections 41(c) and 41(h),
923	Internal Revenue Code, except that:
924	(i) the base amount does not include the calculation of the alternative incremental
925	credit provided for in Section 41(c)(4), Internal Revenue Code;
926	(ii) a claimant's, estate's, or trust's gross receipts include only those gross receipts

attributable to sources within this state as provided in Section 59-10-118; and

(iii) notwithstanding Section 41(c), Internal Revenue Code, for purposes of calculating the base amount, a claimant, estate, or trust:

- (A) may elect to be treated as a start-up company as provided in Section 41(c)(3)(B), Internal Revenue Code, regardless of whether the claimant, estate, or trust meets the requirements of Section 41(c)(3)(B)(i)(I) or (II), Internal Revenue Code; and
- (B) may not revoke an election to be treated as a start-up company under Subsection (3)(a)(iii)(A);
- (b) "basic research" is as defined in Section 41(e)(7), Internal Revenue Code, except that the term includes only basic research conducted in this state;
- (c) "qualified research" is as defined in Section 41(d), Internal Revenue Code, except that the term includes only qualified research conducted in this state;
- (d) "qualified research expenses" is as defined and calculated in Section 41(b), Internal Revenue Code, except that the term includes only:
  - (i) in-house research expenses incurred in this state; and
  - (ii) contract research expenses incurred in this state; and
- (e) a tax credit provided for in this section is not terminated if a credit terminates under Section 41, Internal Revenue Code.
- (4) (a) If the amount of a tax credit claimed by a claimant, estate, or trust under Subsection (1)(a)(i) or (ii) exceeds the claimant's, estate's, or trust's tax liability under this chapter for a taxable year, the amount of the tax credit exceeding the tax liability:
- (i) may be carried forward for a period that does not exceed the next 14 taxable years; and
  - (ii) may not be carried back to a taxable year preceding the current taxable year.
- (b) A claimant, estate, or trust may not carry forward the tax credit allowed by Subsection (1)(a)(iii).
- (5) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the commission may make rules for purposes of this section prescribing a certification process for qualified organizations to ensure that amounts paid to the qualified organizations are for basic research conducted in this state.
- (6) If a provision of Section 41, Internal Revenue Code, is modified or repealed, the

958	commission shall report the modification or repeal by electronic means to the Revenue and
959	Taxation Interim Committee within 60 days after the day on which the modification or repeal
960	becomes effective.
961	(7) (a) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall review the tax credits
962	provided for in this section on or before October 1 of the year after the year in which the
963	commission reports under Subsection (6) a modification or repeal of a provision of Section 41,
964	Internal Revenue Code.
965	(b) The review described in Subsection (7)(a) is in addition to the review required by
966	Section <u>59-10-137.</u>
967	[(b)] (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (7)(a), the Revenue and Taxation Interim
968	Committee is not required to review the tax credits provided for in this section if the only
969	modification to a provision of Section 41, Internal Revenue Code, is the extension of the
970	termination date provided for in Section 41(h), Internal Revenue Code.
971	[(c)] (d) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall address in a review under
972	this section:
973	(i) the cost of the tax credits provided for in this section;
974	(ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credits provided for in this section;
975	(iii) whether the tax credits provided for in this section benefit the state; and
976	(iv) whether the tax credits provided for in this section should be:
977	(A) continued;
978	(B) modified; or
979	(C) repealed.
980	[(d)] (e) If the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee reviews the tax credits
981	provided for in this section, the committee shall <u>issue a</u> report [its] of the Revenue and
982	Taxation Interim Committee's findings [to the Legislative Management Committee on or
983	before the November interim meeting of the year in which the Revenue and Taxation Interim
984	Committee reviews the tax credits].
985	Section 13. Section <b>59-10-1013</b> is amended to read:
986	59-10-1013. Tax credits for machinery, equipment, or both primarily used for
987	conducting qualified research or basic research Carry forward Commission to report
988	modification or repeal of certain federal provisions Revenue and Taxation Interim

## 989 Committee study. 990 (1) As used in this section: 991 (a) "Basic research" [is as] means the same as that term is defined in Section 41(e)(7). 992 Internal Revenue Code, except that the term includes only basic research conducted in this 993 state. 994 (b) "Equipment" includes: 995 (i) a computer; 996 (ii) computer equipment; and 997 (iii) computer software. 998 (c) "Purchase price": 999 (i) includes the cost of installing an item of machinery or equipment; and 1000 (ii) does not include a tax imposed under Chapter 12, Sales and Use Tax Act, on an 1001 item of machinery or equipment. 1002 (d) "Qualified organization" [is as] means the same as that term is defined in Section 1003 41(e)(6), Internal Revenue Code. 1004 (e) "Qualified research" [is as] means the same as that term is defined in Section 41(d). 1005 Internal Revenue Code, except that the term includes only qualified research conducted in this 1006 state. 1007 (2) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(c), for a taxable [years] year beginning on 1008 or after January 1, 1999, but beginning before December 31, 2010, a claimant, estate, or trust meeting the requirements of this section may claim the following nonrefundable tax credits: 1009 1010 (i) a tax credit of 6% of the purchase price of machinery, equipment, or both: 1011 (A) purchased by the claimant, estate, or trust during the taxable year; 1012 (B) that is subject to a tax under Chapter 12, Sales and Use Tax Act; and 1013 (C) that is primarily used to conduct qualified research in this state; and 1014 (ii) a tax credit of 6% of the purchase price paid by the claimant, estate, or trust for 1015 machinery, equipment, or both: 1016 (A) purchased by the claimant, estate, or trust during the taxable year;

(B) that is subject to a tax under Chapter 12, Sales and Use Tax Act;

(D) that is primarily used to conduct basic research in this state.

(C) that is donated to a qualified organization; and

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(b) Subject to Subsection (4), a claimant, estate, or trust may claim a tax credit under this section for the taxable year for which the claimant, estate, or trust purchases the machinery, equipment, or both.

- (c) If a claimant, estate, or trust qualifies for a tax credit under Subsection (2)(a) for a purchase of machinery, equipment, or both, the claimant, estate, or trust may not claim the tax credit or carry the tax credit forward if the machinery, equipment, or both, is primarily used to conduct qualified research in the state for a time period that is less than 12 consecutive months.
- (3) Notwithstanding Section 41(h), Internal Revenue Code, a tax credit provided for in this section is not terminated if a credit terminates under Section 41, Internal Revenue Code.
- (4) If the amount of a tax credit claimed by a claimant, estate, or trust under this section exceeds a claimant's, estate's, or trust's tax liability under this chapter for a taxable year, the amount of the tax credit exceeding the tax liability:
- (a) may be carried forward for a period that does not exceed the next 14 taxable years; and
  - (b) may not be carried back to a taxable year preceding the current taxable year.
- (5) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the commission may make rules for purposes of this section prescribing a certification process for qualified organizations to ensure that machinery, equipment, or both provided to the qualified organization is to be primarily used to conduct basic research in this state.
- (6) If a provision of Section 41, Internal Revenue Code, is modified or repealed, the commission shall report the modification or repeal by electronic means to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee within 60 days after the day on which the modification or repeal becomes effective.
- (7) (a) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall review the tax credits provided for in this section on or before October 1 of the year after the year in which the commission reports under Subsection (6) a modification or repeal of a provision of Section 41, Internal Revenue Code.
- (b) The review described in Subsection (7)(a) is in addition to the review required by Section 59-10-137.
- [(b)] (c) Notwithstanding Subsection (7)(a), the Revenue and Taxation Interim

  Committee is not required to review the tax credits provided for in this section if the only

1051	modification to a provision of Section 41, Internal Revenue Code, is the extension of the
1052	termination date provided for in Section 41(h), Internal Revenue Code.
1053	[(c)] (d) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall address in a review under
1054	this section the:
1055	(i) cost of the tax credits provided for in this section;
1056	(ii) purpose and effectiveness of the tax credits provided for in this section;
1057	(iii) whether the tax credits provided for in this section benefit the state; and
1058	(iv) whether the tax credits provided for in this section should be:
1059	(A) continued;
1060	(B) modified; or
1061	(C) repealed.
1062	[(d)] (e) If the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee reviews the tax credits
1063	provided for in this section, the committee shall <u>issue a</u> report [its] of the Revenue and
1064	Taxation Interim Committee's findings [to the Legislative Management Committee on or
1065	before the November interim meeting of the year in which the Revenue and Taxation Interim
1066	Committee reviews the tax credits].
1067	Section 14. Section <b>59-10-1014</b> is amended to read:
1068	59-10-1014. Nonrefundable renewable energy systems tax credits Definitions
1069	Certification Rulemaking authority.
1070	(1) As used in this section:
1071	(a) (i) "Active solar system" means a system of equipment that is capable of:
1072	(A) collecting and converting incident solar radiation into thermal, mechanical, or
1073	electrical energy; and
1074	(B) transferring a form of energy described in Subsection (1)(a)(i)(A) by a separate
1075	apparatus to storage or to the point of use.
1076	(ii) "Active solar system" includes water heating, space heating or cooling, and
1077	electrical or mechanical energy generation.
1078	(b) "Biomass system" means a system of apparatus and equipment for use in:
1079	(i) converting material into biomass energy, as defined in Section 59-12-102; and
1080	(ii) transporting the biomass energy by separate apparatus to the point of use or storage.
1081	(c) "Direct use geothermal system" means a system of apparatus and equipment that

1082 enables the direct use of geothermal energy to meet energy needs, including heating a building, 1083 an industrial process, and aquaculture. 1084 (d) "Geothermal electricity" means energy that is: 1085 (i) contained in heat that continuously flows outward from the earth; and 1086 (ii) used as a sole source of energy to produce electricity. 1087 (e) "Geothermal energy" means energy generated by heat that is contained in the earth. (f) "Geothermal heat pump system" means a system of apparatus and equipment that: 1088 1089 (i) enables the use of thermal properties contained in the earth at temperatures well below 100 degrees Fahrenheit; and 1090 1091 (ii) helps meet heating and cooling needs of a structure. 1092 (g) "Hydroenergy system" means a system of apparatus and equipment that is capable 1093 of: 1094 (i) intercepting and converting kinetic water energy into electrical or mechanical 1095 energy; and 1096 (ii) transferring this form of energy by separate apparatus to the point of use or storage. 1097 (h) "Office" means the Office of Energy Development created in Section 63M-4-401. 1098 (i) (i) "Passive solar system" means a direct thermal system that utilizes the structure of 1099 a building and its operable components to provide for collection, storage, and distribution of 1100 heating or cooling during the appropriate times of the year by utilizing the climate resources 1101 available at the site. 1102 (ii) "Passive solar system" includes those portions and components of a building that 1103 are expressly designed and required for the collection, storage, and distribution of solar energy. 1104 (i) (i) "Principal recovery portion" means the portion of a lease payment that 1105 constitutes the cost a person incurs in acquiring a residential energy system. 1106 (ii) "Principal recovery portion" does not include: 1107 (A) an interest charge; or 1108 (B) a maintenance expense. 1109 (k) "Residential energy system" means the following used to supply energy to or for a 1110 residential unit: 1111 (i) an active solar system;

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(ii) a biomass system;

1113	(iii) a direct use geothermal system;
1114	(iv) a geothermal heat pump system;
1115	(v) a hydroenergy system;
1116	(vi) a passive solar system; or
1117	(vii) a wind system.
1118	(l) (i) "Residential unit" means a house, condominium, apartment, or similar dwelling
1119	unit that:
1120	(A) is located in the state; and
1121	(B) serves as a dwelling for a person, group of persons, or a family.
1122	(ii) "Residential unit" does not include property subject to a fee under:
1123	(A) Section 59-2-404;
1124	(B) Section 59-2-405;
1125	(C) Section 59-2-405.1;
1126	(D) Section 59-2-405.2; or
1127	(E) Section 59-2-405.3.
1128	(m) "Wind system" means a system of apparatus and equipment that is capable of:
1129	(i) intercepting and converting wind energy into mechanical or electrical energy; and
1130	(ii) transferring these forms of energy by a separate apparatus to the point of use or
1131	storage.
1132	(2) A claimant, estate, or trust may claim an energy system tax credit as provided in
1133	this section against a tax due under this chapter for a taxable year.
1134	(3) (a) Subject to the other provisions of this Subsection (3), a claimant, estate, or trust
1135	may claim a nonrefundable tax credit under this Subsection (3) with respect to a residential unit
1136	the claimant, estate, or trust owns or uses if:
1137	(i) the claimant, estate, or trust:
1138	(A) purchases and completes a residential energy system to supply all or part of the
1139	energy required for the residential unit; or
1140	(B) participates in the financing of a residential energy system to supply all or part of
1141	the energy required for the residential unit;
1142	(ii) the residential energy system is completed and placed in service on or after January
1143	1, 2007; and

(iii) the claimant, estate, or trust obtains a written certification from the office in accordance with Subsection (4).

- (b) (i) Subject to Subsections (3)(b)(ii) through (vi), the tax credit is equal to 25% of the reasonable costs of each residential energy system installed with respect to each residential unit the claimant, estate, or trust owns or uses.
  - (ii) A tax credit under this Subsection (3) may include installation costs.
- (iii) A claimant, estate, or trust may claim a tax credit under this Subsection (3) for the taxable year in which the residential energy system is completed and placed in service.
- (iv) If the amount of a tax credit under this Subsection (3) exceeds a claimant's, estate's, or trust's tax liability under this chapter for a taxable year, the amount of the tax credit exceeding the liability may be carried forward for a period that does not exceed the next four taxable years.
- (v) The total amount of tax credit a claimant, estate, or trust may claim under this Subsection (3) may not exceed \$2,000 per residential unit.
- (vi) A claimant, estate, or trust may claim a tax credit with respect to additional residential energy systems or parts of residential energy systems for a subsequent taxable year if the total amount of tax credit the claimant, estate, or trust claims does not exceed \$2,000 per residential unit.
- (c) (i) Subject to Subsections (3)(c)(ii) and (iii), a claimant, estate, or trust that leases a residential energy system installed on a residential unit may claim a tax credit under this Subsection (3) if the claimant, estate, or trust confirms that the lessor irrevocably elects not to claim the tax credit.
- (ii) A claimant, estate, or trust described in Subsection (3)(c)(i) that leases a residential energy system may claim as a tax credit under this Subsection (3) only the principal recovery portion of the lease payments.
- (iii) A claimant, estate, or trust described in Subsection (3)(c)(i) that leases a residential energy system may claim a tax credit under this Subsection (3) for a period that does not exceed seven taxable years after the date the lease begins, as stated in the lease agreement.
- (d) If a claimant, estate, or trust sells a residential unit to another person before the claimant, estate, or trust claims the tax credit under this Subsection (3):
  - (i) the claimant, estate, or trust may assign the tax credit to the other person; and

(ii) (A) if the other person files a return under Chapter 7, Corporate Franchise and Income Taxes, the other person may claim the tax credit as if the other person had met the requirements of Section 59-7-614 to claim the tax credit; or

- (B) if the other person files a return under this chapter, the other person may claim the tax credit under this section as if the other person had met the requirements of this section to claim the tax credit.
- (4) (a) Before a claimant, estate, or trust may claim a tax credit under this section, the claimant, estate, or trust shall obtain a written certification from the office.
- (b) The office shall issue a claimant, estate, or trust a written certification if the office determines that:
- (i) the claimant, estate, or trust meets the requirements of this section to receive a tax credit; and
- (ii) the office determines that the residential energy system with respect to which the claimant, estate, or trust seeks to claim a tax credit:
  - (A) has been completely installed;

- (B) is a viable system for saving or producing energy from renewable resources; and
- (C) is safe, reliable, efficient, and technically feasible to ensure that the residential energy system uses the state's renewable and nonrenewable energy resources in an appropriate and economic manner.
- (c) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the office may make rules:
- (i) for determining whether a residential energy system meets the requirements of Subsection (4)(b)(ii); and
- (ii) for purposes of a tax credit under Subsection (3), establishing the reasonable costs of a residential energy system, as an amount per unit of energy production.
- (d) A claimant, estate, or trust that obtains a written certification from the office shall retain the certification for the same time period a person is required to keep books and records under Section 59-1-1406.
- (5) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the commission may make rules to address the certification of a tax credit under this section.
  - (6) A tax credit under this section is in addition to any tax credits provided under the

1206	laws or rules and regulations of the United States.
1207	(7) A purchaser of one or more solar units that claims a tax credit under Section
1208	59-10-1024 for the purchase of the one or more solar units may not claim a tax credit under this
1209	section for that purchase.
1210	[(8) (a) On or before October 1, 2017, and every five years after 2017, the Revenue and
1211	Taxation Interim Committee shall review each tax credit provided by this section and report its
1212	recommendations to the Legislative Management Committee concerning whether the tax credit
1213	should be continued, modified, or repealed.]
1214	[(b) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee's report under Subsection (8)(a)
1215	shall include information concerning the cost of the tax credit, the purpose and effectiveness of
1216	the tax credit, and the state's benefit from the tax credit.]
1217	Section 15. Section <b>59-10-1024</b> is amended to read:
1218	59-10-1024. Nonrefundable tax credit for qualifying solar projects.
1219	(1) As used in this section:
1220	(a) "Active solar system" [is as] means the same as that term is defined in Section
1221	59-10-1014.
1222	(b) "Purchaser" means a claimant, estate, or trust that purchases one or more solar units
1223	from a qualifying political subdivision.
1224	(c) "Qualifying political subdivision" means:
1225	(i) a city or town in this state;
1226	(ii) an interlocal entity created under Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act;
1227	or
1228	(iii) a special service district created under Title 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service
1229	District Act.
1230	(d) "Qualifying solar project" means the portion of an active solar system:
1231	(i) that a qualifying political subdivision:
1232	(A) constructs;
1233	(B) controls; or
1234	(C) owns;
1235	(ii) with respect to which the qualifying political subdivision described in Subsection
1236	(1)(c)(i) sells one or more solar units; and

1237	(iii) that generates electrical output that is furnished:
1238	(A) to one or more residential units; or
1239	(B) for the benefit of one or more residential units.
1240	(e) "Residential unit" [is as] means the same as that term is defined in Section
1241	59-10-1014.
1242	(f) "Solar unit" means a portion of the electrical output:
1243	(i) of a qualifying solar project;
1244	(ii) that a qualifying political subdivision sells to a purchaser; and
1245	(iii) the purchase of which requires that the purchaser agree to bear a proportionate
1246	share of the expense of the qualifying solar project:
1247	(A) in accordance with a written agreement between the purchaser and the qualifying
1248	political subdivision;
1249	(B) in exchange for a credit on the purchaser's electrical bill; and
1250	(C) as determined by a formula established by the qualifying political subdivision.
1251	(2) Subject to Subsection (3), for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2009, a
1252	purchaser may claim a nonrefundable tax credit equal to the product of:
1253	(a) the amount the purchaser pays to purchase one or more solar units during the
1254	taxable year; and
1255	(b) 25%.
1256	(3) For a taxable year, a tax credit under this section may not exceed \$2,000 on a
1257	return.
1258	(4) A purchaser may carry forward a tax credit under this section for a period that does
1259	not exceed the next four taxable years if:
1260	(a) the purchaser is allowed to claim a tax credit under this section for a taxable year;
1261	and
1262	(b) the amount of the tax credit exceeds the purchaser's tax liability under this chapter
1263	for that taxable year.
1264	(5) Subject to Section 59-10-1014, a tax credit under this section is in addition to any
1265	other tax credit allowed by this chapter.
1266	[(6) (a) On or before October 1, 2012, and every five years after October 1, 2012, the
1267	Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall review the tax credit allowed by this section

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1268	and report its recommendations to the Legislative Management Committee concerning whether
1269	the tax credit should be continued, modified, or repealed.]
1270	[(b) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee's report under Subsection (6)(a)
1271	shall include information concerning the cost of the tax credit, the purpose and effectiveness of
1272	the tax credit, and the state's benefit from the tax credit.]
1273	Section 16. Section <b>59-10-1025</b> is amended to read:
1274	59-10-1025. Nonrefundable tax credit for investment in certain life science
1275	establishments.
1276	(1) As used in this section:
1277	(a) "Commercial domicile" means the principal place from which the trade or business
1278	of a Utah small business corporation is directed or managed.
1279	(b) "Eligible claimant, estate, or trust" means the same as that term is defined in
1280	Section 63N-2-802.
1281	(c) "Life science establishment" means an establishment primarily engaged in the
1282	development or manufacture of products in one or more of the following categories:
1283	(i) biotechnologies;
1284	(ii) medical devices;
1285	(iii) medical diagnostics; and
1286	(iv) pharmaceuticals.
1287	(d) "Office" means the Governor's Office of Economic Development.
1288	(e) "Pass-through entity" means the same as that term is defined in Section 59-10-1402.
1289	(f) "Pass-through entity taxpayer" means the same as that term is defined in Section
1290	59-10-1402.
1291	(g) "Qualifying ownership interest" means an ownership interest that is:
1292	(i) (A) common stock;
1293	(B) preferred stock; or
1294	(C) an ownership interest in a pass-through entity;
1295	(ii) originally issued to:
1296	(A) an eligible claimant, estate, or trust; or
1297	(B) a pass-through entity if the eligible claimant, estate, or trust that claims a tax credit
1298	under this section was a pass-through entity taxpayer of the pass-through entity on the day on

which the qualifying ownership interest was issued and remains a pass-through entity taxpayer of the pass-through entity until the last day of the taxable year for which the eligible claimant, estate, or trust claims a tax credit under this section; and

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- (A) by a Utah small business corporation;
- (B) on or after January 1, 2011; and
- (C) for money or other property, except for stock or securities.
- (h) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(h)(ii), "Utah small business corporation" means the same as that term is defined in Section 59-10-1022.
  - (ii) For purposes of this section, a corporation under Section 1244(c)(3)(A), Internal Revenue Code, is considered to include a pass-through entity.
  - (2) Subject to the other provisions of this section, for a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2011, an eligible claimant, estate, or trust that holds a tax credit certificate issued to the eligible claimant, estate, or trust in accordance with Section 63N-2-808 for that taxable year may claim a nonrefundable tax credit in an amount up to 35% of the purchase price of a qualifying ownership interest in a Utah small business corporation by the claimant, estate, or trust if:
  - (a) the qualifying ownership interest is issued by a Utah small business corporation that is a life science establishment;
  - (b) the qualifying ownership interest in the Utah small business corporation is purchased for at least \$25,000;
  - (c) the eligible claimant, estate, or trust owned less than 30% of the qualifying ownership interest of the Utah small business corporation at the time of the purchase of the qualifying ownership interest; and
  - (d) on each day of the taxable year in which the purchase of the qualifying ownership interest was made, the Utah small business corporation described in Subsection (2)(a) has at least 50% of its employees in the state.
    - (3) Subject to Subsection (4), the tax credit under Subsection (2):
- (a) may only be claimed by an eligible claimant, estate, or trust:
- 1328 (i) for a taxable year for which the eligible claimant, estate, or trust holds a tax credit certificate issued in accordance with Section 63N-2-808; and

1330	(ii) subject to obtaining a tax credit certificate for each taxable year as required by
1331	Subsection (3)(a)(i), for a period of three taxable years as follows:
1332	(A) the tax credit in the taxable year in which the purchase of the qualifying ownership
1333	interest was made may not exceed 10% of the purchase price of the qualifying ownership
1334	interest;
1335	(B) the tax credit in the taxable year after the taxable year described in Subsection
1336	(3)(a)(ii)(A) may not exceed 10% of the purchase price of the qualifying ownership interest;
1337	and
1338	(C) the tax credit in the taxable year two years after the taxable year described in
1339	Subsection (3)(a)(ii)(A) may not exceed 15% of the purchase price of the qualifying ownership
1340	interest; and
1341	(b) may not exceed the lesser of:
1342	(i) the amount listed on the tax credit certificate issued in accordance with Section
1343	63N-2-808; or
1344	(ii) \$350,000 in a taxable year.
1345	(4) An eligible claimant, estate, or trust may not claim a tax credit under this section
1346	for a taxable year if the eligible claimant, estate, or trust:
1347	(a) has sold any of the qualifying ownership interest during the taxable year; or
1348	(b) does not hold a tax credit certificate for that taxable year that is issued to the
1349	eligible claimant, estate, or trust by the office in accordance with Section 63N-2-808.
1350	(5) If a Utah small business corporation in which an eligible claimant, estate, or trust
1351	purchases a qualifying ownership interest fails, dissolves, or otherwise goes out of business, the
1352	eligible claimant, estate, or trust may not claim both the tax credit provided in this section and
1353	a capital loss on the qualifying ownership interest.
1354	(6) If an eligible claimant is a pass-through entity taxpayer that files a return under
1355	Chapter 7, Corporate Franchise and Income Taxes, the eligible claimant may claim the tax
1356	credit under this section on the return filed under Chapter 7, Corporate Franchise and Income
1357	Taxes.
1358	(7) A claimant, estate, or trust may not carry forward or carry back a tax credit under
1359	this section.

(8) (a) In accordance with Section 59-10-137, the Revenue and Taxation Interim

1361	Committee shall study the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations
1362	concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or repealed.
1363	(b) Except as provided in Subsection (8)(c), for purposes of the study required by this
1364	Subsection (8), the office shall provide the following information, if available to the office, to
1365	the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by electronic means:
1366	(i) the amount of tax credit that the office grants to each eligible business entity for
1367	each taxable year;
1368	(ii) the amount of eligible new state tax revenues generated by each eligible product or
1369	project;
1370	(iii) estimates for each of the next three calendar years of the following:
1371	(A) the amount of tax credit that the office will grant;
1372	(B) the amount of eligible new state tax revenues that will be generated; and
1373	(C) the number of new incremental jobs within the state that will be generated;
1374	(iv) the information contained in the office's latest report under Section 63N-2-705;
1375	<u>and</u>
1376	(v) any other information that the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst requests.
1377	(c) (i) In providing the information described in Subsection (8)(b), the office shall
1378	redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section.
1379	(ii) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (8)(c)(i), reporting the
1380	information described in Subsection (8)(b) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a tax
1381	credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to
1382	provide the information described in Subsection (8)(b) in the aggregate for all entities that
1383	receive the tax credit under this section.
1384	(d) As part of the study required by this Subsection (8), the Office of the Legislative
1385	Fiscal Analyst shall report to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee a summary and
1386	analysis of the information provided to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by the
1387	office under Subsection (8)(b).
1388	(e) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that the
1389	recommendations described in Subsection (8)(a) include an evaluation of:
1390	(i) the cost of the tax credit under this section;
1391	(ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and

1392	(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.
1393	Section 17. Section 59-10-1029 is amended to read:
1394	59-10-1029. Nonrefundable alternative energy development tax credit.
1395	(1) As used in this section:
1396	(a) "Alternative energy entity" [is as] means the same as that term is defined in Section
1397	63M-4-502.
1398	(b) "Alternative energy project" [is as] means the same as that term is defined in
1399	Section 63M-4-502.
1400	(c) "Office" [is as defined in] means the Office of Energy Development created in
1401	Section 63M-4-401.
1402	(2) Subject to the other provisions of this section, an alternative energy entity may
1403	claim a nonrefundable tax credit for alternative energy development as provided in this section.
1404	(3) The tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax credit amount on a
1405	tax credit certificate that the office issues under Title 63M, Chapter 4, Part 5, Alternative
1406	Energy Development Tax Credit Act, to the alternative energy entity for the taxable year.
1407	(4) An alternative energy entity may carry forward a tax credit under this section for a
1408	period that does not exceed the next seven taxable years if:
1409	(a) the alternative energy entity is allowed to claim a tax credit under this section for a
1410	taxable year; and
1411	(b) the amount of the tax credit exceeds the alternative energy entity's tax liability
1412	under this chapter for that taxable year.
1413	(5) (a) [On or before October 1, 2017, and every five years after October 1, 2017] In
1414	accordance with Section 59-10-137, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall study
1415	the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations [to the Legislative
1416	Management Committee] concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or
1417	repealed.
1418	(b) [For] (i) Except as provided in Subsection (5)(b)(ii), for purposes of the study
1419	required by this Subsection (5), the office shall provide the following information, if available
1420	to the office, to the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee] Office of the Legislative Fiscal
1421	Analyst by electronic means:
1422	[(i)] (A) the amount of tax credit that the office grants to each alternative energy entity

1423	for each taxable year;
1424	[(ii)] (B) the new state revenues generated by each alternative energy project;
1425	[(iii)] (C) the information contained in the office's latest report [to the Legislature]
1426	under Section 63M-4-505; and
1427	[(iv)] (D) any other information that the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee]
1428	Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst requests.
1429	(ii) (A) In providing the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i), the office shall
1430	redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section.
1431	(B) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (5)(b)(ii)(A), reporting
1432	the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a
1433	tax credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to
1434	provide the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) in the aggregate for all alternative
1435	energy entities that receive the tax credit under this section.
1436	(c) As part of the study required by this Subsection (5), the Office of the Legislative
1437	Fiscal Analyst shall report to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee a summary and
1438	analysis of the information provided to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by the
1439	office under Subsection (5)(b).
1440	[(c)] (d) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that [its] the
1441	recommendations [under] described in Subsection (5)(a) include an evaluation of:
1442	(i) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
1443	(ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
1444	(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.
1445	Section 18. Section <b>59-10-1030</b> is amended to read:
1446	59-10-1030. Nonrefundable alternative energy manufacturing tax credit.
1447	(1) As used in this section:
1448	(a) "Alternative energy entity" means the same as that term is defined in Section
1449	63N-2-702.
1450	(b) "Alternative energy manufacturing project" means the same as that term is defined
1451	in Section 63N-2-702.
1452	(c) "New incremental job with the state" means the same as that term is defined in

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- (d) "New state revenues" means the same as that term is defined in Section 63N-2-702.
- 1455 (e) "Office" means the Governor's Office of Economic Development <u>created in Section</u>
  1456 63N-1-201.
  - (2) Subject to the other provisions of this section, an alternative energy entity may claim a nonrefundable tax credit for alternative energy manufacturing as provided in this section.
  - (3) The tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax credit amount on a tax credit certificate that the office issues under Title 63N, Chapter 2, Part 7, Alternative Energy Manufacturing Tax Credit Act, to the alternative energy entity for the taxable year.
  - (4) An alternative energy entity may carry forward a tax credit under this section for a period that does not exceed the next seven taxable years if:
  - (a) the alternative energy entity is allowed to claim a tax credit under this section for a taxable year; and
  - (b) the amount of the tax credit exceeds the alternative energy entity's tax liability under this chapter for that taxable year.
  - (5) (a) [On or before October 1, 2017, and every five years after October 1, 2017] In accordance with Section 59-10-137, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall study the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations [to the Legislative Management Committee] concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or repealed.
  - (b) [For] Except as provided in Subsection (5)(c), for purposes of the study required by this Subsection (5), the office shall provide the following information, if available to the office, to the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee] Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by electronic means:
  - (i) the amount of tax credit that the office grants to each alternative energy entity for each taxable year;
    - (ii) the new state revenues generated by each alternative energy manufacturing project;
- 1481 (iii) estimates for each of the next [five] three calendar years of the following:
- (A) the amount of tax credits that the office will grant;
- (B) the amount of new state revenues that will be generated; and

1484	(C) the number of new incremental jobs within the state that will be generated;
1485	(iv) the information contained in the office's latest report [to the Legislature] under
1486	Section [ <del>63N-2-705</del> ] <u>63N-1-301</u> ; and
1487	(v) any other information that the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee] Office of
1488	the Legislative Fiscal Analyst requests.
1489	(c) (i) In providing the information described in Subsection (5)(b), the office shall
1490	redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section.
1491	(ii) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (5)(c)(i), reporting the
1492	information described in Subsection (5)(b) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a tax
1493	credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to
1494	provide the information described in Subsection (5)(b) in the aggregate for all alternative
1495	energy entities that receive the tax credit under this section.
1496	(d) As part of the study required by this Subsection (5), the Office of the Legislative
1497	Fiscal Analyst shall report to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee a summary and
1498	analysis of the information provided to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by the
1499	office under Subsection (5)(b).
1500	[(c)] (e) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that [its] the
1501	recommendations [under] described in Subsection (5)(a) include an evaluation of:
1502	(i) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
1503	(ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
1504	(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.
1505	Section 19. Section <b>59-10-1034</b> is amended to read:
1506	59-10-1034. Nonrefundable high cost infrastructure development tax credit.
1507	(1) As used in this section:
1508	(a) "High cost infrastructure project" means the same as that term is defined in Section
1509	63M-4-602.
1510	(b) "Infrastructure cost-burdened entity" means the same as that term is defined in
1511	Section 63M-4-602.
1512	(c) "Infrastructure-related revenue" means the same as that term is defined in Section
1513	63M-4-602.
1514	(d) "Office" means the Office of Energy Development created in Section 63M-4-401.

1515	(2) Subject to the other provisions of this section, a claimant, estate, or trust that is an
1516	infrastructure cost-burdened entity may claim a nonrefundable tax credit for development of a
1517	high cost infrastructure project as provided in this section.
1518	(3) The tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax credit amount on a
1519	tax credit certificate that the office issues under Title 63M, Chapter 4, Part 6, High Cost
1520	Infrastructure Development Tax Credit Act, to the infrastructure cost-burdened entity for the
1521	taxable year.
1522	(4) An infrastructure cost-burdened entity may carry forward a tax credit under this
1523	section for a period that does not exceed the next seven taxable years if:
1524	(a) the infrastructure cost-burdened entity is allowed to claim a tax credit under this
1525	section for a taxable year; and
1526	(b) the amount of the tax credit exceeds the infrastructure cost-burdened entity's tax
1527	liability under this chapter for that taxable year.
1528	(5) (a) [On or before October 1, 2020, and every five years after October 1, 2020] In
1529	accordance with Section 59-10-137, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall study
1530	the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations [to the Legislative
1531	Management Committee] concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or
1532	repealed.
1533	(b) [For] (i) Except as provided in Subsection (5)(b)(ii), for purposes of the study
1534	required by this Subsection (5), the office shall provide the following information, if available
1535	to the office, to the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee] Office of the Legislative Fiscal
1536	Analyst:
1537	[(i)] (A) the amount of tax credit that the office grants to each infrastructure
1538	cost-burdened entity for each taxable year;
1539	[(ii)] (B) the infrastructure-related revenue generated by each high cost infrastructure
1540	project;
1541	[(iii)] (C) the information contained in the office's latest report [to the Legislature]
1542	under Section 63M-4-505; and
1543	[(iv)] (D) any other information that the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee]
1544	Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst requests.

(ii) (A) In providing the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i), the office shall

1546	redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section.
1547	(B) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (5)(b)(ii)(A), reporting
1548	the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a
1549	tax credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to
1550	provide the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) in the aggregate for all infrastructure
1551	cost-burdened entities that receive the tax credit under this section.
1552	(c) As part of the study required by this Subsection (5), the Office of the Legislative
1553	Fiscal Analyst shall report to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee a summary and
1554	analysis of the information provided to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by the
1555	office under Subsection (5)(b).
1556	[(c)] (d) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that the [Revenue
1557	and Taxation Interim Committee's] recommendations [under] described in Subsection (5)(a)
1558	include an evaluation of:
1559	(i) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
1560	(ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
1561	(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.
1562	Section 20. Section <b>59-10-1037</b> is amended to read:
1563	59-10-1037. Nonrefundable enterprise zone tax credit.
1564	(1) As used in this section:
1565	(a) "Business entity" means a claimant, estate, or trust that meets the definition of
1566	"business entity" as that term is defined in Section 63N-2-202.
1567	(b) "Office" means the Governor's Office of Economic Development created in Section
1568	63N-1-201.
1569	(2) Subject to the provisions of this section, a business entity may claim a
1570	nonrefundable enterprise zone tax credit as described in Section 63N-2-213.
1571	(3) The enterprise zone tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax
1572	credit amount on the tax credit certificate that the office issues to the business entity for the
1573	taxable year.
1574	(4) A business entity may carry forward a tax credit under this section for a period that
1575	does not exceed the next three taxable years, if the amount of the tax credit exceeds the
1576	business entity's tax liability under this chapter for that taxable year.

15//	(5) A business entity may not claim or carry forward a tax credit available under this
1578	part for a taxable year during which the business entity has claimed the targeted business
1579	income tax credit available under Section 63N-2-305.
1580	(6) (a) [On or before October 1, 2018, and every five years after October 1, 2018] In
1581	accordance with Section 59-10-137, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall study
1582	the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations [to the Legislative
1583	Management Committee] concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or
1584	repealed.
1585	(b) [For] (i) Except as provided in Subsection (6)(b)(ii), for purposes of the study
1586	required by this Subsection (6), the office shall provide by electronic means the following
1587	information, if available to the office, for each calendar year to the [Revenue and Taxation
1588	Interim Committee] Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst:
1589	[(i)] (A) the amount of tax credits provided in each development zone;
1590	[(ii)] (B) the number of new full-time employee positions reported to obtain tax credits
1591	in each development zone;
1592	[(iii)] (C) the amount of tax credits awarded for rehabilitating a building in each
1593	development zone;
1594	[(iv)] (D) the amount of tax credits awarded for investing in a plant, equipment, or
1595	other depreciable property in each development zone;
1596	[ <del>(v)</del> ] <u>(E)</u> the information related to the tax credit contained in the office's latest report
1597	[to the Legislature] under Section 63N-1-301; and
1598	[(vi)] (F) other information [as requested by the Revenue and Taxation Interim
1599	Committee] that the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst requests.
1600	(ii) (A) In providing the information described in Subsection (6)(b)(i), the office shall
1601	redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section.
1602	(B) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (6)(b)(ii)(A), reporting
1603	the information described in Subsection (6)(b)(i) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a
1604	tax credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to
1605	provide the information described in Subsection (6)(b)(i) in the aggregate for all development
1606	zones that receive the tax credit under this section.
1607	(c) As part of the study required by this Subsection (6), the Office of the Legislative

1608	Fiscal Analyst shall report to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee a summary and
1609	analysis of the information provided to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by the
1610	office under Subsection (6)(b).
1611	[(c)] (d) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that [its] the
1612	recommendations [under] described in Subsection (6)(a) include an evaluation of:
1613	(i) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
1614	(ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
1615	(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.
1616	Section 21. Section <b>59-10-1106</b> is amended to read:
1617	59-10-1106. Refundable renewable energy systems tax credits Definitions
1618	Certification Rulemaking authority.
1619	(1) As used in this section:
1620	(a) "Active solar system" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that term is
1621	defined in Section 59-10-1014.
1622	(b) "Biomass system" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that term is
1623	defined in Section 59-10-1014.
1624	(c) "Commercial energy system" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that
1625	term is defined in Section 59-7-614.
1626	(d) "Commercial enterprise" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that term is
1627	defined in Section 59-7-614.
1628	(e) (i) "Commercial unit" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that term is
1629	defined in Section 59-7-614.
1630	(ii) Notwithstanding Subsection (1)(e)(i):
1631	(A) with respect to an active solar system used for agricultural water pumping or a
1632	wind system, each individual energy generating device is considered to be a commercial unit;
1633	or
1634	(B) if an energy system is the building or structure that a claimant, estate, or trust uses
1635	to transact business, a commercial unit is the complete energy system itself.
1636	(f) "Direct use geothermal system" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that
1637	term is defined in Section 59-10-1014.
1638	(g) "Geothermal electricity" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that term is

1639 defined in Section 59-10-1014.

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- (h) "Geothermal energy" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that term is defined in Section 59-10-1014.
- (i) "Geothermal heat pump system" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that term is defined in Section 59-10-1014.
  - (j) "Hydroenergy system" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that term is defined in Section 59-10-1014.
    - (k) "Office" means the Office of Energy Development created in Section 63M-4-401.
- (l) "Passive solar system" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that term is defined in Section 59-10-1014.
  - (m) "Principal recovery portion" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that term is defined in Section 59-10-1014.
- (n) "Wind system" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that term is defined in Section 59-10-1014.
  - (2) A claimant, estate, or trust may claim an energy system tax credit as provided in this section against a tax due under this chapter for a taxable year.
- 1655 (3) (a) Subject to the other provisions of this Subsection (3), a claimant, estate, or trust
  1656 may claim a refundable tax credit under this Subsection (3) with respect to a commercial
  1657 energy system if:
  - (i) the commercial energy system does not use:
  - (A) wind, geothermal electricity, solar, or biomass equipment capable of producing a total of 660 or more kilowatts of electricity; or
    - (B) solar equipment capable of producing 2,000 or more kilowatts of electricity;
  - (ii) the claimant, estate, or trust purchases or participates in the financing of the commercial energy system;
  - (iii) (A) the commercial energy system supplies all or part of the energy required by commercial units owned or used by the claimant, estate, or trust; or
  - (B) the claimant, estate, or trust sells all or part of the energy produced by the commercial energy system as a commercial enterprise;
- 1668 (iv) the commercial energy system is completed and placed in service on or after 1669 January 1, 2007; and

(v) the claimant, estate, or trust obtains a written certification from the office in accordance with Subsection (6).

- (b) (i) Subject to Subsections (3)(b)(ii) through (v), the tax credit is equal to 10% of the reasonable costs of the commercial energy system.
  - (ii) A tax credit under this Subsection (3) may include installation costs.
- (iii) A claimant, estate, or trust may claim a tax credit under this Subsection (3) for the taxable year in which the commercial energy system is completed and placed in service.
  - (iv) A tax credit under this Subsection (3) may not be carried forward or carried back.
- (v) The total amount of tax credit a claimant, estate, or trust may claim under this Subsection (3) may not exceed \$50,000 per commercial unit.
- (c) (i) Subject to Subsections (3)(c)(ii) and (iii), a claimant, estate, or trust that is a lessee of a commercial energy system installed on a commercial unit may claim a tax credit under this Subsection (3) if the claimant, estate, or trust confirms that the lessor irrevocably elects not to claim the tax credit.
- (ii) A claimant, estate, or trust described in Subsection (3)(c)(i) may claim as a tax credit under this Subsection (3) only the principal recovery portion of the lease payments.
- (iii) A claimant, estate, or trust described in Subsection (3)(c)(i) may claim a tax credit under this Subsection (3) for a period that does not exceed seven taxable years after the date the lease begins, as stated in the lease agreement.
- (4) (a) Subject to the other provisions of this Subsection (4), a claimant, estate, or trust may claim a refundable tax credit under this Subsection (4) with respect to a commercial energy system if:
- (i) the commercial energy system uses wind, geothermal electricity, or biomass equipment capable of producing a total of 660 or more kilowatts of electricity;
- (ii) (A) the commercial energy system supplies all or part of the energy required by commercial units owned or used by the claimant, estate, or trust; or
- (B) the claimant, estate, or trust sells all or part of the energy produced by the commercial energy system as a commercial enterprise;
- (iii) the commercial energy system is completed and placed in service on or after January 1, 2007; and
  - (iv) the claimant, estate, or trust obtains a written certification from the office in

1701	accordance with Subsection (6).
1702	(b) (i) Subject to Subsections (4)(b)(ii) and (iii), a tax credit under this Subsection (4)
1703	is equal to the product of:
1704	(A) 0.35 cents; and
1705	(B) the kilowatt hours of electricity produced and used or sold during the taxable year.
1706	(ii) A tax credit under this Subsection (4) may be claimed for production occurring
1707	during a period of 48 months beginning with the month in which the commercial energy
1708	system is placed in commercial service.
1709	(iii) A tax credit under this Subsection (4) may not be carried forward or back.
1710	(c) A claimant, estate, or trust that is a lessee of a commercial energy system installed
1711	on a commercial unit may claim a tax credit under this Subsection (4) if the claimant, estate, or
1712	trust confirms that the lessor irrevocably elects not to claim the tax credit.
1713	(5) (a) Subject to the other provisions of this Subsection (5), a claimant, estate, or trust
1714	may claim a refundable tax credit as provided in this Subsection (5) if:
1715	(i) the claimant, estate, or trust owns a commercial energy system that uses solar
1716	equipment capable of producing a total of 660 or more kilowatts of electricity;
1717	(ii) (A) the commercial energy system supplies all or part of the energy required by
1718	commercial units owned or used by the claimant, estate, or trust; or
1719	(B) the claimant, estate, or trust sells all or part of the energy produced by the
1720	commercial energy system as a commercial enterprise;
1721	(iii) the claimant, estate, or trust does not claim a tax credit under Subsection (3);
1722	(iv) the commercial energy system is completed and placed in service on or after
1723	January 1, 2015; and
1724	(v) the claimant, estate, or trust obtains a written certification from the office in
1725	accordance with Subsection (6).
1726	(b) (i) Subject to Subsections (5)(b)(ii) and (iii), a tax credit under this Subsection (5)
1727	is equal to the product of:
1728	(A) 0.35 cents; and

(ii) A tax credit under this Subsection (5) may be claimed for production occurring during a period of 48 months beginning with the month in which the commercial energy

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- (iii) A tax credit under this Subsection (5) may not be carried forward or carried back.
- 1734 (c) A claimant, estate, or trust that is a lessee of a commercial energy system installed 1735 on a commercial unit may claim a tax credit under this Subsection (5) if the claimant, estate, or 1736 trust confirms that the lessor irrevocably elects not to claim the tax credit.
  - (6) (a) Before a claimant, estate, or trust may claim a tax credit under this section, the claimant, estate, or trust shall obtain a written certification from the office.
  - (b) The office shall issue a claimant, estate, or trust a written certification if the office determines that:
  - (i) the claimant, estate, or trust meets the requirements of this section to receive a tax credit; and
  - (ii) the office determines that the commercial energy system with respect to which the claimant, estate, or trust seeks to claim a tax credit:
    - (A) has been completely installed;
    - (B) is a viable system for saving or producing energy from renewable resources; and
    - (C) is safe, reliable, efficient, and technically feasible to ensure that the commercial energy system uses the state's renewable and nonrenewable resources in an appropriate and economic manner.
    - (c) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the office may make rules:
    - (i) for determining whether a commercial energy system meets the requirements of Subsection (6)(b)(ii); and
    - (ii) for purposes of a tax credit under Subsection (3), establishing the reasonable costs of a commercial energy system, as an amount per unit of energy production.
    - (d) A claimant, estate, or trust that obtains a written certification from the office shall retain the certification for the same time period a person is required to keep books and records under Section 59-1-1406.
  - (7) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the commission may make rules to address the certification of a tax credit under this section.
- 1761 (8) A tax credit under this section is in addition to any tax credits provided under the laws or rules and regulations of the United States.

1763 (9) A purchaser of one or more solar units that claims a tax credit under Section 59-10-1024 for the purchase of the one or more solar units may not claim a tax credit under this 1764 1765 section for that purchase. 1766 [(10) (a) On or before October 1, 2017, and every five years after 2017, the Revenue 1767 and Taxation Interim Committee shall review each tax credit provided by this section and 1768 report its recommendations to the Legislative Management Committee concerning whether the 1769 credit should be continued, modified, or repealed. 1770 (b) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee's report under Subsection (10)(a) 1771 shall include information concerning the cost of the credit, the purpose and effectiveness of the 1772 credit, and the state's benefit from the credit.] 1773 Section 22. Section **59-10-1107** is amended to read: 1774 59-10-1107. Refundable economic development tax credit. 1775 (1) As used in this section: 1776 (a) "Business entity" means a claimant, estate, or trust that meets the definition of 1777 "business entity" as defined in Section 63N-2-103. (b) "New incremental jobs" means the same as that term is defined in Section 1778 63N-2-103. 1779 1780 (c) "New state revenues" means the same as that term is defined in Section 63N-2-103. 1781 (d) "Office" means the Governor's Office of Economic Development. 1782 (2) Subject to the other provisions of this section, a business entity may claim a refundable tax credit for economic development. 1783 1784 (3) The tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax credit amount on the tax credit certificate that the office issues to the business entity for the taxable year. 1785 1786 (4) (a) In accordance with any rules prescribed by the commission under Subsection 1787 (4)(b), the commission shall make a refund to a business entity that claims a tax credit under 1788 this section if the amount of the tax credit exceeds the business entity's tax liability for a 1789 taxable year. 1790 (b) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the 1791 commission may make rules providing procedures for making a refund to a business entity as 1792 required by Subsection (4)(a).

(5) (a) [On or before October 1, 2013, and every five years after October 1, 2013] In

1794	accordance with Section 59-10-137, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall study
1795	the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations [to the Legislative
1796	Management Committee] concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or
1797	repealed.
1798	(b) [For] Except as provided in Subsection (5)(c), for purposes of the study required by
1799	this Subsection (5), the office shall provide the following information, if available to the office
1800	to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee by electronic means:
1801	(i) the amount of tax credit the office grants to each taxpayer for each calendar year;
1802	(ii) the criteria the office uses in granting a tax credit;
1803	(iii) the new state revenues generated by each taxpayer for each calendar year;
1804	(iv) estimates for each of the next [five] three calendar years of the following:
1805	(A) the amount of tax credits that the office will grant;
1806	(B) the amount of new state revenues that will be generated; and
1807	(C) the number of new incremental jobs within the state that will be generated;
1808	(v) the information contained in the office's latest report [to the Legislature] under
1809	Section 63N-2-106; and
1810	(vi) any other information that the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee requests.
1811	(c) (i) In providing the information described in Subsection (5)(b), the office shall
1812	redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section.
1813	(ii) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (5)(c)(i), reporting the
1814	information described in Subsection (5)(b) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a tax
1815	credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to
1816	provide the information described in Subsection (5)(b) in the aggregate for all taxpayers that
1817	receive the tax credit under this section.
1818	[(c)] (d) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that [its] the
1819	recommendations [under] described in Subsection (5)(a) include an evaluation of:
1820	(i) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
1821	(ii) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
1822	(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.
1823	Section 23. Section <b>59-10-1108</b> is amended to read:
1824	59-10-1108. Refundable motion picture tax credit.

1825	(1) As used in this section:
1826	(a) "Motion picture company" means a claimant, estate, or trust that meets the
1827	definition of a motion picture company under Section 63N-8-102.
1828	(b) "Office" means the Governor's Office of Economic Development created in Section
1829	<u>63N-1-201</u> .
1830	(c) "State-approved production" [has the same meaning as] means the same as that
1831	term is defined in Section 63N-8-102.
1832	(2) For <u>a</u> taxable [years] year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, a motion picture
1833	company may claim a refundable tax credit for a state-approved production.
1834	(3) The tax credit under this section is the amount listed as the tax credit amount on the
1835	tax credit certificate that the office issues to a motion picture company under Section
1836	63N-8-103 for the taxable year.
1837	(4) (a) In accordance with any rules prescribed by the commission under Subsection
1838	(4)(b), the commission shall make a refund to a motion picture company that claims a tax
1839	credit under this section if the amount of the tax credit exceeds the motion picture company's
1840	tax liability for the taxable year.
1841	(b) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
1842	commission may make rules providing procedures for making a refund to a motion picture
1843	company as required by Subsection (4)(a).
1844	(5) (a) [On or before October 1, 2014, and every five years after October 1, 2014] In
1845	accordance with Section 59-10-137, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall study
1846	the tax credit allowed by this section and make recommendations [to the Legislative
1847	Management Committee] concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or

(b) [For] (i) Except as provided in Subsection (5)(b)(ii), for purposes of the study required by this Subsection (5), the office shall provide the following information, if available to the office, to the [Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee] Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by electronic means:

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- [(i)] (A) the amount of tax credit the office grants to each taxpayer for each calendar year; [and]
- (B) estimates of the amount of tax credit that the office will grant for each of the next

1856	[five] three calendar years;
1857	[(ii)] (C) the criteria the office uses in granting a tax credit;
1858	[(iii)] (D) the dollars left in the state, as defined in Section 63N-8-102, by each motion
1859	picture company for each calendar year;
1860	[(iv)] (E) the information contained in the office's latest report [to the Legislature]
1861	under Section 63N-8-105; and
1862	[(v)] (F) any other information [requested by the Revenue and Taxation Interim
1863	Committee] that the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst requests.
1864	(ii) (A) In providing the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i), the office shall
1865	redact information that identifies a recipient of a tax credit under this section.
1866	(B) If, notwithstanding the redactions made under Subsection (5)(b)(ii)(A), reporting
1867	the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) might disclose the identity of a recipient of a
1868	tax credit, the office may file a request with the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee to
1869	provide the information described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) in the aggregate for all taxpayers that
1870	receive the tax credit under this section.
1871	(c) As part of the study required by this Subsection (5), the Office of the Legislative
1872	Fiscal Analyst shall report to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee a summary and
1873	analysis of the information provided to the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst by the
1874	office under Subsection (5)(b).
1875	[(c)] (d) The Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall ensure that [its] the
1876	recommendations [under] described in Subsection (5)(a) include an evaluation of:
1877	(i) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
1878	(ii) the effectiveness of the tax credit; and
1879	(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.
1880	Section 24. Section 59-13-202 is amended to read:
1881	59-13-202. Refund of tax for agricultural uses on individual income and
1882	corporate franchise and income tax returns Application for permit for refund
1883	Division of Finance to pay claims Rules permitted to enforce part Penalties
1884	Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee study.
1885	(1) As used in this section:
1886	(a) (i) Except at provided in Subsection (1)(a)(ii), "claimant" means a resident or

nonresident person.

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- 1888 (ii) "Claimant" does not include an estate or trust.
- (b) "Estate" means a nonresident estate or a resident estate.
- 1890 (c) "Refundable tax credit" or "tax credit" means a tax credit that a claimant, estate, or trust may claim:
  - (i) as provided by statute; and
- 1893 (ii) regardless of whether, for the taxable year for which the claimant, estate, or trust claims the tax credit, the claimant, estate, or trust has a tax liability under:
  - (A) Chapter 7, Corporate Franchise and Income Taxes; or
- 1896 (B) Chapter 10, Individual Income Tax Act.
  - (d) "Trust" means a nonresident trust or a resident trust.
  - (2) Any claimant, estate, or trust that purchases and uses any motor fuel within the state for the purpose of operating or propelling stationary farm engines and self-propelled farm machinery used for nonhighway agricultural uses, and that has paid the tax on the motor fuel as provided by this part, is entitled to a refund of the tax subject to the conditions and limitations provided under this part.
    - (3) (a) A claimant, estate, or trust desiring a nonhighway agricultural use refund under this part shall claim the refund as a refundable tax credit on the tax return the claimant, estate, or trust files under:
      - (i) Chapter 7, Corporate Franchise and Income Taxes; or
- 1907 (ii) Chapter 10, Individual Income Tax Act.
  - (b) A claimant, estate, or trust not subject to filing a tax return described in Subsection (3)(a) shall obtain a permit and file claims on a calendar year basis.
    - (c) Any claimant, estate, or trust claiming a refundable tax credit under this section is required to furnish any or all of the information outlined in this section upon request of the commission.
    - (d) A refundable tax credit under this section is allowed only on purchases on which tax is paid during the taxable year covered by the tax return.
- 1915 (4) In order to obtain a permit for a refund of motor fuel tax paid, an application shall be filed containing:
- 1917 (a) the name of the claimant, estate, or trust;

(b) the claimant's, estate's, or trust's address;

- 1919 (c) location and number of acres owned and operated, location and number of acres 1920 rented and operated, the latter of which shall be verified by a signed statement from the legal 1921 owner;
  - (d) number of acres planted to each crop, type of soil, and whether irrigated or dry; and
  - (e) make, size, and type of fuel used and power rating of each piece of equipment using fuel. If the claimant, estate, or trust is an operator of self-propelled or tractor-pulled farm machinery with which the claimant, estate, or trust works for hire doing custom jobs for other farmers, the application shall include information the commission requires and shall all be contained in, and be considered part of, the original application. The claimant, estate, or trust shall also file with the application a certificate from the county assessor showing each piece of equipment using fuel. This original application and all information contained in it constitutes a permanent file with the commission in the name of the claimant, estate, or trust.
  - (5) A claimant, estate, or trust claiming the right to a refund of motor fuel tax paid shall file a claim with the commission by April 15 of each year for the refund for the previous calendar year. The claim shall state the name and address of the claimant, estate, or trust, the number of gallons of motor fuel purchased for nonhighway agricultural uses, and the amount paid for the motor fuel. The claimant, estate, or trust shall retain the original invoice to support the claim. No more than one claim for a tax refund may be filed annually by each user of motor fuel purchased for nonhighway agricultural uses.
  - (6) Upon commission approval of the claim for a refund, the Division of Finance shall pay the amount found due to the claimant, estate, or trust. The total amount of claims for refunds shall be paid from motor fuel taxes.
  - (7) The commission may refuse to accept as evidence of purchase or payment any instruments that show alteration or that fail to indicate the quantity of the purchase, the price of the motor fuel, a statement that the motor fuel is purchased for purposes other than transportation, and the date of purchase and delivery. If the commission is not satisfied with the evidence submitted in connection with the claim, the commission may reject the claim or require additional evidence.
  - (8) A claimant, estate, or trust aggrieved by the decision of the commission with respect to a refundable tax credit or refund may file a request for agency action, requesting a

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- (9) A claimant, estate, or trust that makes any false claim, report, or statement, as claimant, estate, trust, agent, or creditor, with intent to defraud or secure a refund to which the claimant, estate, or trust is not entitled, is subject to the criminal penalties provided under Section 59-1-401, and the commission shall initiate the filing of a complaint for alleged violations of this part. In addition to these penalties, the claimant, estate, or trust may not receive any refund as a claimant, estate, or trust or as a creditor of a claimant, estate, or trust for refund for a period of five years.
- (10) (a) In accordance with any rules prescribed by the commission under Subsection (10)(b), the Division of Finance shall transfer at least annually from the Transportation Fund into the Education Fund an amount equal to the amount of the refund claimed under this section.
- (b) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the commission may make rules providing procedures for:
  - (i) making a refund to a claimant, estate, or trust as required by Subsection (3)(a)(i);
- (ii) making a transfer from the Transportation Fund into the Education Fund as required by Subsection (10)(a); or
  - (iii) enforcing this part.
- (11) (a) On or before November 30, 2017, and every three years after 2017, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall review the tax credit provided by this section and make recommendations concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or repealed.
- (b) In conducting the review required by Subsection (11)(a), the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall:
  - (i) schedule time on at least one committee agenda to conduct the review;
- 1974 (ii) invite state agencies, individuals, and organizations concerned with the credit under 1975 review to provide testimony;
  - (iii) ensure that the recommendations described in this section include an evaluation of:
- (A) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
- 1978 (B) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
- (C) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit; and

1980	(iv) undertake other review efforts as determined by the chairs of the Revenue and
1981	Taxation Interim Committee.
1982	Section 25. Section 63N-2-106 is amended to read:
1983	63N-2-106. Reports Posting monthly and annual reports Audit and study of
1984	tax credits.
1985	(1) The office shall include the following information in the annual written report
1986	described in Section 63N-1-301:
1987	(a) the office's success in attracting new commercial projects to development zones
1988	under this part and the corresponding increase in new incremental jobs;
1989	(b) how many new incremental jobs and high paying jobs are employees of a company
1990	that received tax credits under this part, including the number of employees who work for a
1991	third-party rather than directly for a company, receiving the tax credits under this part;
1992	(c) the estimated amount of tax credit commitments made by the office and the period
1993	of time over which tax credits will be paid;
1994	(d) the economic impact on the state from new state revenues and the provision of tax
1995	credits under this part;
1996	(e) the estimated costs and economic benefits of the tax credit commitments made by
1997	the office;
1998	(f) the actual costs and economic benefits of the tax credit commitments made by the
1999	office; and
2000	(g) tax credit commitments made by the office, with the associated calculation.
2001	(2) Each month, the office shall post on its website and on a state website:
2002	(a) the new tax credit commitments made by the office during the previous month; and
2003	(b) the estimated costs and economic benefits of those tax credit commitments.
2004	(3) (a) On or before November 1, 2014, and every three years after November 1, 2014,
2005	the office shall:
2006	(i) conduct an audit of the tax credits allowed under Section 63N-2-105;
2007	(ii) study the tax credits allowed under Section 63N-2-105; and
2008	(iii) make recommendations concerning whether the tax credits should be continued,
2009	modified, or repealed.
2010	(b) The audit shall include an evaluation of:

2011	(i) the cost of the tax credits;
2012	(ii) the purposes and effectiveness of the tax credits;
2013	(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credits; and
2014	(iv) the state's return on investment under this part measured by new state revenues,
2015	compared with the costs of tax credits provided and GOED's expenses in administering this
2016	part.
2017	(c) The office shall provide the results of the audit described in this Subsection (3):
2018	(i) in the written annual report described in Subsection (1); and
2019	(ii) as part of the reviews described in Sections 59-7-159 and 59-10-137.
2020	Section 26. Section 63N-2-213 is amended to read:
2021	63N-2-213. State tax credits.
2022	(1) The office shall certify a business entity's eligibility for a tax credit described in this
2023	section.
2024	(2) A business entity seeking to receive a tax credit as provided in this section shall
2025	provide the office with:
2026	(a) an application for a tax credit certificate in a form approved by the office, including
2027	a certification, by an officer of the business entity, of a signature on the application; and
2028	(b) documentation that demonstrates the business entity has met the requirements to
2029	receive the tax credit.
2030	(3) If, after review of an application and documentation provided by a business entity
2031	as described in Subsection (2), the office determines that the application and documentation are
2032	inadequate to provide a reasonable justification for authorizing the tax credit, the office shall:
2033	(a) deny the tax credit; or
2034	(b) inform the business entity that the application or documentation was inadequate
2035	and ask the business entity to submit additional documentation.
2036	(4) If, after review of an application and documentation provided by a business entity
2037	as described in Subsection (2), the office determines that the application and documentation
2038	provide reasonable justification for authorizing a tax credit, the office shall:
2039	(a) determine the amount of the tax credit to be granted to the business entity;
2040	(b) issue a tax credit certificate to the business entity; and
2041	(c) provide a duplicate copy of the tax credit certificate to the State Tax Commission.

(5) A business entity may not claim a tax credit under this section unless the business entity has a tax credit certificate issued by the office.

- (6) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the office shall make rules describing:
  - (a) the form and content of an application for a tax credit under this section;
- (b) the documentation requirements for a business entity to receive a tax credit certificate under this section; and
  - (c) administration of the program, including relevant timelines and deadlines.
- (7) Subject to the limitations of Subsections (8) through (10), and if the requirements of this part are met, the following nonrefundable tax credits against a tax under Title 59, Chapter 7, Corporate Franchise and Income Taxes, or Title 59, Chapter 10, Individual Income Tax Act, are applicable in an enterprise zone:
- (a) a tax credit of \$750 may be claimed by a business entity for each new full-time employee position created within the enterprise zone;
- (b) an additional \$500 tax credit may be claimed if the new full-time employee position created within the enterprise zone pays at least 125% of:
- (i) the county average monthly nonagricultural payroll wage for the respective industry as determined by the Department of Workforce Services; or
- (ii) if the county average monthly nonagricultural payroll wage is not available for the respective industry, the total average monthly nonagricultural payroll wage in the respective county where the enterprise zone is located;
- (c) an additional tax credit of \$750 may be claimed if the new full-time employee position created within the enterprise zone is in a business entity that adds value to agricultural commodities through manufacturing or processing;
- (d) an additional tax credit of \$200 may be claimed for two consecutive years for each new full-time employee position created within the enterprise zone that is filled by an employee who is insured under an employer-sponsored health insurance program if the employer pays at least 50% of the premium cost for the year for which the credit is claimed;
- (e) a tax credit of 25% of the first \$200,000 spent on rehabilitating a building in the enterprise zone that has been vacant for two years or more; and
  - (f) an annual investment tax credit of 10% of the first \$250,000 in investment, and 5%

of the next \$1,000,000 qualifying investment in plant, equipment, or other depreciable property.

- (8) (a) Subject to the limitations of Subsection (8)(b), a business entity claiming a tax credit under Subsections (7)(a) through (d) may claim the tax credit for no more than 30 full-time employee positions in a taxable year.
- (b) A business entity that received a tax credit for one or more new full-time employee positions under Subsections (7)(a) through (d) in a prior taxable year may claim a tax credit for a new full-time employee position in a subsequent taxable year under Subsections (7)(a) through (d) if:
- (i) the business entity has created a new full-time position within the enterprise zone; and
  - (ii) the total number of full-time employee positions at the business entity at any point during the tax year for which the tax credit is being claimed is greater than the highest number of full-time employee positions that existed at the business entity in the previous three taxable years.
  - (c) Construction jobs are not eligible for the tax credits under Subsections (7)(a) through (d).
  - (9) If the amount of a tax credit under this section exceeds a business entity's tax liability under this chapter for a taxable year, the business entity may carry forward the amount of the tax credit exceeding the liability for a period that does not exceed the next three taxable years.
  - (10) Tax credits under Subsections (7)(a) through (f) may not be claimed by a business entity primarily engaged in retail trade or by a public utilities business.
    - (11) A business entity that has no employees:
    - (a) may not claim tax credits under Subsections (7)(a) through (d); and
    - (b) may claim tax credits under Subsections (7)(e) through (f).
  - (12) A business entity may not claim or carry forward a tax credit available under this part for a taxable year during which the business entity has claimed the targeted business income tax credit available under Section 63N-2-305.
- 2102 (13) (a) On or before November 30, 2018, and every three years after 2018, the
  2103 Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall review the tax credits provided by this section

2104	and make recommendations concerning whether the tax credits should be continued, modified,
2105	or repealed.
2106	(b) In conducting the review required by Subsection (13)(a), the Revenue and Taxation
2107	Interim Committee shall:
2108	(i) schedule time on at least one committee agenda to conduct the review;
2109	(ii) invite state agencies, individuals, and organizations concerned with the credits
2110	under review to provide testimony;
2111	(iii) ensure that the recommendations described in this section include an evaluation of:
2112	(A) the cost of the tax credits to the state;
2113	(B) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credits; and
2114	(C) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credits; and
2115	(iv) undertake other review efforts as determined by the chairs of the Revenue and
2116	Taxation Interim Committee.
2117	Section 27. Section <b>63N-2-305</b> is amended to read:
2118	63N-2-305. Targeted business income tax credit structure Duties of the local
2119	zone administrator Duties of the State Tax Commission Revenue and Taxation
2120	Interim Committee study.
2121	(1) A business applicant that is certified under Subsection 63N-2-304(3) and issued a
2122	targeted business tax credit eligibility form by the office under Subsection (8) may claim a
2123	refundable tax credit:
2124	(a) against the business applicant's tax liability under:
2125	(i) Title 59, Chapter 7, Corporate Franchise and Income Taxes; or
2126	(ii) Title 59, Chapter 10, Individual Income Tax Act; and
2127	(b) subject to requirements and limitations provided by this part.
2128	(2) The total amount of the targeted business income tax credits allowed under this part
2129	for all business applicants may not exceed \$300,000 in any fiscal year.
2130	(3) (a) A targeted business income tax credit allowed under this part for each
2131	community investment project provided by a business applicant may not:
2132	(i) be claimed by a business applicant for more than seven consecutive taxable years
2133	from the date the business applicant first qualifies for a targeted business income tax credit on
2134	the basis of a community investment project;

2135	(ii) be carried forward or carried back;
2136	(iii) exceed \$100,000 in total amount for the community investment project period
2137	during which the business applicant is eligible to claim a targeted business income tax credit;
2138	or
2139	(iv) exceed in any year that the targeted business income tax credit is claimed the lesser
2140	of:
2141	(A) 50% of the maximum amount allowed by the local zone administrator; or
2142	(B) the allocated cap amount determined by the office under Subsection 63N-2-304(5).
2143	(b) A business applicant may apply to the local zone administrator to claim a targeted
2144	business income tax credit allowed under this part for each community investment project
2145	provided by the business applicant as the basis for its eligibility for a targeted business income
2146	tax credit.
2147	(4) Subject to other provisions of this section, the local zone administrator shall
2148	establish for each business applicant that qualifies for a targeted business income tax credit:
2149	(a) criteria for maintaining eligibility for the targeted business income tax credit that
2150	are reasonably related to the community investment project that is the basis for the business
2151	applicant's targeted business income tax credit;
2152	(b) the maximum amount of the targeted business income tax credit the business
2153	applicant is allowed for the community investment project period;
2154	(c) the time period over which the total amount of the targeted business income tax
2155	credit may be claimed;
2156	(d) the maximum amount of the targeted business income tax credit that the business
2157	applicant will be allowed to claim each year; and
2158	(e) requirements for a business applicant to report to the local zone administrator
2159	specifying:
2160	(i) the frequency of the business applicant's reports to the local zone administrator,
2161	which shall be made at least quarterly; and
2162	(ii) the information needed by the local zone administrator to monitor the business
2163	applicant's compliance with this Subsection (4) or Section 63N-2-304 that shall be included in
2164	the report.

(5) In accordance with Subsection (4)(e), a business applicant allowed a targeted

business income tax credit under this part shall report to the local zone administrator.

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- (6) The amount of a targeted business income tax credit that a business applicant is allowed to claim for a taxable year shall be reduced by 25% for each quarter in which the office or the local zone administrator determines that the business applicant has failed to comply with a requirement of Subsection (3) or Section 63N-2-304.
  - (7) The office or local zone administrator may audit a business applicant to ensure:
  - (a) eligibility for a targeted business income tax credit; or
  - (b) compliance with Subsection (3) or Section 63N-2-304.
- (8) The office shall issue a targeted business income tax credit eligibility form in a form jointly developed by the State Tax Commission and the office no later than 30 days after the last day of the business applicant's taxable year showing:
- (a) the maximum amount of the targeted business income tax credit that the business applicant is eligible for that taxable year;
- (b) any reductions in the maximum amount of the targeted business income tax credit because of failure to comply with a requirement of Subsection (3) or Section 63N-2-304;
- (c) the allocated cap amount that the business applicant may claim for that taxable year; and
- (d) the actual amount of the targeted business income tax credit that the business applicant may claim for that taxable year.
- (9) (a) A business applicant shall retain the targeted business income tax credit eligibility form provided by the office under this Subsection (9).
  - (b) The State Tax Commission may audit a business applicant to ensure:
  - (i) eligibility for a targeted business income tax credit; or
  - (ii) compliance with Subsection (3) or Section 63N-2-304.
- (10) (a) On or before November 30, 2018, and every three years after 2018, the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall review the tax credit provided by this section and make recommendations concerning whether the tax credit should be continued, modified, or repealed.
- 2194 (b) In conducting the review required by Subsection (10)(a), the Revenue and Taxation
  2195 Interim Committee shall:
- 2196 (i) schedule time on at least one committee agenda to conduct the review;

2197	(ii) invite state agencies, individuals, and organizations concerned with the credit under
2198	review to provide testimony;
2199	(iii) ensure that the recommendations described in this section include an evaluation of:
2200	(A) the cost of the tax credit to the state;
2201	(B) the purpose and effectiveness of the tax credit; and
2202	(C) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit; and
2203	(iv) undertake other review efforts as determined by the chairs of the Revenue and
2204	Taxation Interim Committee.
2205	Section 28. Section <b>63N-2-810</b> is amended to read:
2206	63N-2-810. Reports on tax credit certificates Study by legislative committees.
2207	[(1)] The office shall include the following information in the annual written report
2208	described in Section 63N-1-301:
2209	[(a)] (1) the total amount listed on tax credit certificates the office issues under this
2210	part;
2211	[(b)] (2) the criteria that the office uses in prioritizing the issuance of tax credits
2212	amongst tax credit applicants under this part; and
2213	[(c)] (3) the economic impact on the state related to providing tax credits under this
2214	part.
2215	[(2) (a) On or before November 1, 2016, and every five years after November 1, 2016,
2216	the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee shall:
2217	[(i) study the tax credit allowed under Section 59-10-1025; and]
2218	[(ii) make recommendations concerning whether the tax credit should be continued,
2219	modified, or repealed.]
2220	[(b) The study under Subsection (2)(a) shall include an evaluation of:]
2221	[(i) the cost of the tax credit under Section 59-10-1025;]
2222	[(ii) the purposes and effectiveness of the tax credit; and]
2223	[(iii) the extent to which the state benefits from the tax credit.]
2224	[(c) For purposes of the study required by this Subsection (2), the office shall provide
2225	the following information to the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee by electronic
2226	means:
2227	[(i) the amount of tax credits that the office grants to each eligible business entity for

2228	each taxable year;
2229	[(ii) the amount of eligible new state tax revenues generated by each eligible product or
2230	project;]
2231	[(iii) estimates for each of the next five calendar years of the following:]
2232	[(A) the amount of tax credits that the office will grant;]
2233	[(B) the amount of eligible new state tax revenues that will be generated; and]
2234	[(C) the number of new incremental jobs within the state that will be generated;]
2235	[(iv) the information contained in the office's latest report to the Legislature under
2236	Section 63N-2-705; and]
2237	[(v) any other information that the Revenue and Taxation Interim Committee requests.]
2238	Section 29. Effective date.
2239	If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this bill takes effect
2240	upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah
2241	Constitution, Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto,
2242	the date of veto override.

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