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HOUSE BILL No. 2689

By Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development

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AN ACT concerning-conomic development {income taxation}; relating
 to angel investor tax credits; qualified securities; credit limitations and
 amounts; investor requirements; {expenditures to make principal
 dwelling accessible to persons with a disability;} amending K.S.A.
 74-8132-and, 74-8133-and{,} 74-8136 {and 79-32,176a} and repealing
 the existing sections.

8 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

9 Section 1. K.S.A. 74-8132 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-10 8132. As used in this act:

(a) "Angel investor" and "investor" mean an accredited investor who 11 is a natural person or an owner of a permitted entity investor, who is of 12 high net worth, as defined in 17 C.F.R. § 230.501(a), as in effect on the 13 14 effective date of this act, and who seeks high returns through private investments in start-up companies and may seek active involvement in 15 16 business, such as consulting and mentoring the entrepreneur. For the 17 purposes of this act, a person who serves as an executive, officer, 18 employee, vendor or independent contractor of the business in which an 19 otherwise qualified cash investment is made is not an "angel investor" and 20 such person shall not qualify for the issuance of tax credits for such 21 investment:

(b) "bioscience business" means what is reflected a business engaged
 in "bioscience" as defined in K.S.A. 74-99b83, and amendments thereto;

24 (c) "cash investment" means money or money equivalent in 25 consideration for qualified securities;

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(d) "department" means the department of commerce;

(e) "Kansas business" means any business owned by an individual,
any partnership, association or corporation domiciled in Kansas, or any
corporation, even if a wholly owned subsidiary of a foreign corporation,
that does business primarily in Kansas or does substantially all of such
businesses' production in Kansas;

(f) "owner" means any natural person who is, directly or indirectly, a
partner, stockholder or member in a permitted entity investor;

(g) "permitted entity investor" means: (A) Any general partnership,

1 limited partnership, corporation that has in effect a valid election to be taxed as an S corporation under the United States internal revenue code, or a limited liability company that has elected to be taxed as a partnership under the United States internal revenue code; and (B) that was established and is operated for the sole purpose of making investments in other entities;

7 (h) "qualified Kansas business" means the Kansas businesses that are 8 approved and certified as qualified Kansas businesses as provided in 9 K.S.A. 74-8134, and amendments thereto;

10 "qualified securities" means a cash investment through any-one-or (i) more forms form or combination of forms of financial assistance as 11 12 provided in this subsection that have been approved in form and substance 13 by the secretary. Such forms of financial assistance are: (1) Any form of equity, such as: (A) A general or limited, partnership interest; (B) common 14 15 stock; or (C) preferred stock, with or without regard to voting rights, 16 without regard to or seniority position, and whether or not convertible into 17 common stock; or (D) any form of subordinate or convertible debt, or-18 both, with warrants or other means of equity conversion attached; or

19 (2) a *anv* debt instrument, such as a note or debenture that is secured 20 or unsecured, subordinated subordinate to the general creditors of the 21 qualified Kansas business debtor-and that requires no-payments of-22 principal, other than principal payments required to be made out of any 23 future profits of payment from the qualified Kansas business debtor, for at 24 least a seven-year period after commencement of such debt instrument's 25 term and that shall convert to some form of equity prior to the qualified 26 Kansas business debtor raising its next series of funding: and

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(j) "secretary" means the secretary of commerce.

28 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 74-8133 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-29 8133. (a) A credit against the tax imposed by article 32 of chapter 79 of the 30 Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, on the Kansas 31 taxable income of an angel investor and against the tax imposed by K.S.A. 32 40-252, and amendments thereto, shall be allowed for a cash investment in 33 the qualified securities of a qualified Kansas business. For tax year 2020 34 and all tax years thereafter, the credit shall be in a total amount-equal of 35 up to 50% of such investors' cash investment in any qualified Kansas 36 business, subject to the limitations set forth in subsection (b). This tax 37 credit may be used in its entirety in the taxable year in which the cash 38 investment is made except that no tax credit shall be allowed in a year 39 prior to January 1, 2005. If the amount by which that portion of the credit 40 allowed by this section exceeds the investors' liability in any one taxable year, beginning in the year 2005, the remaining portion of the credit may 41 42 be carried forward until the total amount of the credit is used. If the 43 investor is a permitted entity investor, the credit provided by this section

shall be claimed by the owners of the permitted entity investor in
 proportion to their ownership share of the permitted entity investor.

3 (b) For tax year 2020 and all tax years thereafter, the secretary of 4 revenue shall not allow tax credits of more than \$50,000 \$100,000 for a 5 single Kansas business or a total of \$250,000 \$350,000 in tax credits for a 6 single year per investor who is a natural person or owner of a permitted 7 entity investor. No tax credits authorized by this act shall be allowed for 8 any cash investments in qualified securities for any year after the year 9 2021 2026. The total amount of tax credits-which that may be allowed 10 under this section shall not exceed.

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(1) \$4,000,000 during the tax year 2007-and;

(2) \$6,000,000 for tax-year years 2008 and each tax year thereafter,
 except that through 2010 and 2012 through 2021;

(3) for tax year 2011, the total amount of tax credits-which that may
be allowed under this section shall not exceed \$5,000,000;

(4) \$6,500,000 for tax year 2022:

(5) \$7,000,000 for tax year 2023;

(6) \$7,500,000 for tax year 2024; and

(7) \$8,000,000 for tax year 2025. The balance of unissued tax credits
may be carried over for issuance in future years until 2021 2026.

(c) A cash investment in a qualified security shall be deemed to have
 been made on the date of acquisition of the qualified security, as such date
 is determined in accordance with the provisions of the internal revenue
 code.

(d) No investor shall claim a credit under this section for cashinvestments in Kansas venture capital, inc. No Kansas venture capitalcompany shall qualify for the tax credit for an investment in a fund created
by articles 81, 82, 83 or 84 of chapter 74 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated,
and amendments thereto.

30 (e) Any investor-who has not owed any Kansas income tax under the 31 provisions of article 32, chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and 32 amendments thereto, for the immediate past three taxable years without a 33 current tax liability, who does not reasonably believe that it will owe any 34 such tax for the current taxable year and who makes a cash investment in a 35 qualified security of a qualified Kansas business shall be deemed to 36 acquire an interest in the nature of a transferable credit limited, for tax 37 year 2020 and all tax years thereafter, to an amount-equal up to 50% of 38 this cash investment. This interest may be transferred to any natural person 39 of net worth, as defined in 17 C.F.R. § 230.501(a), as in effect on the 40 effective date of this act, whether or not such person is then an investor 41 and be claimed by the transferee as a credit against the transferee's Kansas 42 income tax liability beginning in the year provided in subsection (a). No 43 person shall be entitled to a refund for the interest created under this

section. Only the full credit for any one investment may be transferred and
 this interest may only be transferred one time. A credit acquired by transfer
 shall be subject to the limitations prescribed in this section. Documentation
 of any credit acquired by transfer shall be provided by the investor in the
 manner required by the director of taxation.

(f)(e) The reasonable costs of the administration of this act, the review of applications for certification as qualified Kansas businesses and the issuance of tax credits authorized by this act shall be reimbursed through fees paid by the qualified Kansas businesses and the investors or the transferees of investors, according to a reasonable fee schedule adopted by the secretary by rules and regulations in accordance with the rules and regulations filing act.

13 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 74-8136 is hereby amended to read as follows: 74-8136. (a) Tax credits for qualified Kansas businesses are a limited 14 resource of the state for which the secretary is designated as the 15 16 administrator. The purpose of such tax credits is to facilitate the 17 availability of equity investment in businesses in the early stages of 18 commercial development and to assist in the creation and expansion of 19 Kansas businesses which that are job and wealth creating enterprises. 20 To achieve this purpose and to optimize the use of the limited 21 resources of the state, the secretary is authorized to issue tax credits to 22 qualified investors in qualified Kansas businesses. Such tax credits 23 shall be awarded to those qualified Kansas businesses-which that, as 24 determined by the secretary, are most likely to provide the greatest 25 economic benefit to the state. The secretary may issue whole or partial tax credits based on an assessment of the qualified businesses. The 26 27 secretary may consider numerous factors in such assessment, 28 including, but not limited to, the quality and experience of the 29 management team, the size of the estimated market opportunity, the 30 risk from current or future competition, the ability to defend 31 intellectual property, the quality and utility of the business model and 32 the quality and reasonableness of financial projections for the 33 business.

34 (b) Each qualified Kansas business for which tax credits have 35 been issued pursuant to this act shall report to the department on an 36 annual basis, the following: (1) The name, address and taxpayer 37 identification number of each angel investor who has made cash 38 investment in the qualified securities of a qualified Kansas business 39 and has received tax credits for this investment during the preceding 40 year and all other preceding years; (2) the amounts of these cash 41 investments by each angel investor and a description of the qualified securities issued in consideration of such cash investments; (3) the 42 43 name, address and taxpayer identification number of each investor to

which tax credits issued pursuant to this act have been transferred by
 the original angel investor; and (4) any additional information as the
 secretary may require pursuant to this act.

4 (c) The secretary shall transmit annually to the governor, the standing committee on commerce of the senate and the standing 5 6 committee on commerce, labor and economic development of the 7 house of representatives a report, based upon information received 8 from each qualified Kansas business for which tax credits have been 9 issued during the preceding year, describing the following: (1) The manner in which the purpose, as described in this act, has been 10 carried out; (2) the total cash investments made for the purchase of 11 12 qualified securities of qualified Kansas businesses during the 13 preceding year and cumulatively since the inception of this act; (3) an estimate of jobs created and jobs preserved by cash investments made 14 in qualified securities of qualified Kansas businesses; and (4) an 15 estimate of the multiplier effect on the Kansas economy of the cash 16 17 investments made pursuant to this act.

18 (d) The secretary shall provide the information specified in 19 subsection (c) to the department of revenue on an annual basis. The 20 secretary shall conduct an annual review of the activities undertaken 21 pursuant to this act to ensure that tax credits issued pursuant to this 22 act are issued in compliance with the provisions of this act or rules and 23 regulations promulgated by the department with respect to this act.

(e) Any violation of the reporting requirements set forth in this
 section shall be grounds for undesignation of a qualified Kansas
 business under this section.

27 (f) If the secretary determines that a business is not in substantial 28 compliance with the requirements of this act to maintain its 29 designation, the secretary, by written notice, shall inform the officers of the qualified Kansas business and the business that such business 30 31 will lose designation as a qualified Kansas business in 120 days from 32 the date of mailing of the notice unless such business corrects the 33 deficiencies and is once again in compliance with the requirements for 34 designation.

35 (g) At the end of the 120-day period, if the qualified Kansas business is still not in substantial compliance, the secretary shall send 36 37 a notice of loss of designation to the business, the secretary of the 38 department of revenue and to all known investors in the business. 39 Loss of designation of a qualified Kansas business shall preclude the 40 issuance of any additional tax credits with respect to this business and the secretary shall not approve the application of such business as a 41 qualified Kansas business. Upon loss of the designation as a qualified 42 43 Kansas business or if a bioscience business loses its designation as a

1 qualified Kansas business under this act by moving its operations

outside Kansas within 10 years after receiving financial assistance 2 3 under this act or a qualified Kansas business that is not a bioscience 4 business loses its designation as a qualified Kansas business under this 5 act by moving its operations outside Kansas within 5 years after receiving 6 financial assistance under this act, such business shall repay such 7 financial assistance to the department, in an amount determined by 8 the secretary. Each qualified Kansas business that loses such 9 designation shall enter into a repayment agreement with the secretary specifying the terms of such repayment obligation. 10

11 (h) Angel investors in a qualified Kansas business shall be 12 entitled to keep all of the tax credits claimed under this act.

(i) The secretary shall adopt rules and regulations in accordance
 with the rules and regulations filing act necessary to implement the
 provisions of K.S.A. 74-8131 through 74-8136, and amendments
 thereto.

17 {Sec. 4. K.S.A. 79-32,176a is hereby amended to read as follows: 18 79-32,176a. (a) Any resident individual taxpayer who makes 19 expenditures for the purpose of making all or any portion of an 20 existing facility accessible to individuals with a disability, which 21 facility is used as, or in connection with, such taxpayer's principal 22 dwelling or the principal dwelling of a lineal ascendant or descendant, 23 including construction of a small barrier-free living unit attached to 24 such principal dwelling, shall be entitled to claim a tax credit in an 25 amount equal to the applicable percentage of such expenditures or \$9,000 \$15,000, whichever is less, against the income tax liability 26 27 imposed against such taxpayer pursuant to article 32 of chapter 79 of 28 the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto. Nothing in 29 this subsection shall be deemed to prevent any such taxpayer from 30 claiming such credit: (1) For each principal dwelling in which the 31 taxpayer or lineal ascendant or descendant may reside, or facility used 32 in connection therewith; or (2) more than once, but not more often 33 than once every four-year period of time. The applicable percentage of 34 such expenditures eligible for credit shall be as set forth in the 35 following-schedule schedules:

36 Married individuals filing joint returns.

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38	Taxpayers	expenditures
39	Federal Adjusted	eligible for
40	Gross Income	credit
41	\$0 to \$25,000 \$60,000	100%
42	Over <u>\$25,000</u> \$60,000 but not over <u>\$30,000</u> \$70,000	90%
43	Over <u>\$30,000</u> \$70,000 but not over <u>\$35,000</u> \$80,000	80%

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1	Over- \$35,000 \$80,000 but not over- \$40,000 \$90,000 70%
2	Over <u>\$40,000</u> \$90,000 but not over <u>\$45,000</u> \$100,00060%
3	Over <u>\$45,000</u> \$100,000 but not over <u>\$55,000</u> \$110,000 50%
4	Over \$55,000 <i>\$110,000 but not over \$120,000</i> 0 40%
5	Over \$120,000 but not over \$130,000
6	Over \$130,000 but not over \$140,000
7	Over \$140,000 but not over \$150,000
8	Over \$150,000
9	All other individuals.
10	% of
11	Taxpayers expenditures
12	Federal Adjusted eligible for
13	Gross Income credit
14	\$0 to \$40,000
15	Over \$40,000 but not over \$50,000
16	Over \$50,000 but not over \$60,000
17	Over \$60,000 but not over \$70,000
18	Over \$70,000 but not over \$80,000
19	Over \$80,000 but not over \$90,000
20	Over \$90,000 but not over \$100,000
21	<i>Over</i> \$100,000 <i>but not over</i> \$110,000
22	Over \$110,000 but not over \$120,000
23	Over \$120,000 but not over \$130,00010%
24	Over \$130,000
25	Such tax credit shall be deducted from the taxpayer's income tax
26	liability for the taxable year in which the expenditures are made by
27	the taxpayer. If the amount of such tax credit exceeds the taxpayer's
28	income tax liability for such taxable year, the amount thereof which
29	exceeds such tax liability may be carried over for deduction from the
30	taxpayer's income tax liability in the next succeeding taxable year or
31	years until the total amount of the tax credit has been deducted from
32	tax liability, except that no such tax credit shall be carried over for
33	deduction after the fourth taxable year succeeding the taxable year in
34	which the expenditures are made.
35	(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), if the
36	amount of the taxpayer's tax liability is less than <u>\$2,250</u> \$3,750 in the
37	first year in which the credit is claimed under this section, an amount

first year in which the credit is claimed under this section, an amount equal to the amount by which $\frac{1}{4}$ of the credit allowable under this section exceeds such tax liability shall be refunded to the taxpayer and the amount by which such credit exceeds such tax liability less the amount of such refund may be carried over for the next three succeeding taxable years. If the amount of the taxpayer's tax liability is less than $\frac{22,250}{33,750}$ in the second year in which the credit is

1 claimed under this section, an amount equal to the amount by which 2 $\frac{1}{3}$ of the amount of the credit carried over from the first taxable year exceeds such tax liability shall be refunded to the taxpayer and the 3 4 amount by which the amount of the credit carried over from the first 5 taxable year exceeds such tax liability less the amount of such refund 6 may be carried over for the next two succeeding taxable years. If the 7 amount of the taxpayer's tax liability is less than \$2,250 \$3,750 in the 8 third year in which the credit is claimed under this section, an amount 9 equal to the amount by which ¹/₂ of the amount carried over from the second taxable year exceeds such tax liability shall be refunded to the 10 taxpayer and the amount by which the amount of the credit carried 11 over from the second taxable year exceeds such tax liability less the 12 amount of such refund may be carried over to the next succeeding 13 14 taxable year. If the amount of the credit carried over from the third taxable year exceeds the taxpayer's income tax liability for such year, 15 16 the amount thereof which exceeds such tax liability shall be refunded 17 to the taxpayer.

18 (c) In the case of all tax years commencing after December 31, 2020, 19 the maximum tax credit amount, as prescribed in subsection (a), and the tax liability threshold amount in the first, second and third years, as 20 21 prescribed in subsection (b), shall be increased by an amount equal to 22 such maximum tax credit amount and tax liability threshold amount multiplied by the cost-of-living adjustment determined under section 1(f) 24 (3) of the federal internal revenue code for the calendar year in which the 25 taxable vear commences.

(e)(d) The provisions of this section are applicable to tax year 2013 2020, and all tax years thereafter.

Sec. -3. -4. {5.} K.S.A. 74-8132-and, 74-8133-and {,} 74-8136 {and 79-29 32,176a} are hereby repealed.

30 Sec. 4. 5. {6.} This act shall take effect and be in force from and after 31 its publication in the statute book.

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