SENATE BILL No. 91

By Committee on Commerce

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AN ACT concerning economic development; relating to the high performance incentive fund; providing for the transferability of tax credits; amending K.S.A. 79-32,160a and repealing the existing section.

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5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: 6 Section 1. K.S.A. 79-32,160a is hereby amended to read as follows: 7 79-32,160a. (a) For taxable years commencing after December 31, 1999, 8 and before January 1, 2012, any taxpayer who shall invest in a qualified 9 business facility, as defined in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 79-32,154(b), and 10 amendments thereto, and effective for tax years commencing after 11 December 31, 2010, and before January 1, 2012, located in an area other 12 than a metropolitan county as defined in either K.S.A.. 74-50,114 or 74-13 50,211, and amendments thereto, and also meets the definition of a 14 business in subsection (b) of K.S.A. 74-50,114(b), and amendments 15 thereto, shall be allowed a credit for such investment, in an amount 16 determined under subsection (b) or (c), as the case requires, against the tax imposed by the Kansas income tax act or where the qualified business 17 18 facility is the principal place from which the trade or business of the 19 taxpayer is directed or managed and the facility has facilitated the creation 20 of at least 20 new full-time positions, against the premium tax or privilege 21 fees imposed pursuant to K.S.A. 40-252, and amendments thereto, or as 22 measured by the net income of financial institutions imposed pursuant to 23 article 11 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments 24 thereto, for the taxable year during which commencement of commercial 25 operations, as defined in subsection (f) of K.S.A. 79-32,154(f), and 26 amendments thereto, occurs at such qualified business facility. In the case 27 of a taxpayer who meets the definition of a manufacturing business in 28 subsection (d) of K.S.A. 74-50,114(d), and amendments thereto, no credit 29 shall be allowed under this section unless the number of qualified business 30 facility employees, as determined under-subsection (d) of K.S.A. 79-31 32,154(d), and amendments thereto, engaged or maintained in employment 32 at the qualified business facility as a direct result of the investment by the 33 taxpayer for the taxable year for which the credit is claimed equals or 34 exceeds two. In the case of a taxpayer who meets the definition of a 35 nonmanufacturing business in subsection (f) of K.S.A. 74-50,114(f), and 36 amendments thereto, no credit shall be allowed under this section unless

the number of qualified business facility employees, as determined under subsection (d) of K.S.A. 79-32,154(d), and amendments thereto, engaged or maintained in employment at the qualified business facility as a direct result of the investment by the taxpayer for the taxable year for which the credit is claimed equals or exceeds five. Where an employee performs services for the taxpayer outside the qualified business facility, the employee shall be considered engaged or maintained in employment at the qualified business facility if: (1) The employee's service performed outside the qualified business facility; or (2) the base of operations or, the place from which the service is directed or controlled, is at the qualified business facility.

- (b) The credit allowed by subsection (a) for any taxpayer who invests in a qualified business facility—which that is located in a designated nonmetropolitan region established under K.S.A. 74-50,116, and amendments thereto, on or after the effective date of this act, shall be a portion of the income tax imposed by the Kansas income tax act on the taxpayer's Kansas taxable income, the premium tax or privilege fees imposed pursuant to K.S.A. 40-252, and amendments thereto, or the privilege tax as measured by the net income of financial institutions imposed pursuant to article 11 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, for the taxable year for which such credit is allowed, but in the case where the qualified business facility investment was made prior to January 1, 1996, not in excess of 50% of such tax. Such portion shall be an amount equal to the sum of the following:
- (1) Two thousand five hundred dollars \$2,500 for each qualified business facility employee determined under K.S.A. 79-32,154, and amendments thereto; plus
- (2) one thousand dollars \$1,000 for each \$100,000, or major fraction thereof, which shall be deemed to be 51% or more, in qualified business facility investment, as determined under K.S.A. 79-32,154, and amendments thereto.
- (c) The credit allowed by subsection (a) for any taxpayer who invests in a qualified business facility,—which that is not located in a nonmetropolitan region established under K.S.A. 74-50,116, and amendments thereto, and effective for tax years commencing after December 31, 2010, and before January 1, 2012, located in an area other than a metropolitan county as defined in either K.S.A. 74-50,114 or 74-50,211, and amendments thereto, and—which that also meets the definition of business in—subsection (b) of K.S.A. 74-50,114(b), and amendments thereto, on or after the effective date of this act, shall be a portion of the income tax imposed by the Kansas income tax act on the taxpayer's

Kansas taxable income, the premium tax or privilege fees imposed pursuant to K.S.A. 40-252, and amendments thereto, or the privilege tax as measured by the net income of financial institutions imposed pursuant to article 11 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, for the taxable year for which such credit is allowed, but in the case where the qualified business facility investment was made prior to January 1, 1996, not in excess of 50% of such tax. Such portion shall be an amount equal to the sum of the following:

- (1) One thousand five hundred dollars \$1,500 for each qualified business facility employee as determined under K.S.A. 79-32,154, and amendments thereto; and
- (2) one thousand dollars \$1,000 for each \$100,000, or major fraction thereof, which shall be deemed to be 51% or more, in qualified business facility investment as determined under K.S.A. 79-32,154, and amendments thereto.
- (d) The credit allowed by subsection (a) for each qualified business facility employee and for qualified business facility investment shall be a one-time credit. If the amount of the credit allowed under subsection (a) exceeds the tax imposed by the Kansas income tax act on the taxpayer's Kansas taxable income, the premium tax and privilege fees imposed pursuant to K.S.A. 40-252, and amendments thereto, or the privilege tax as measured by the net income of financial institutions imposed pursuant to article 11 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, for the taxable year, or in the case where the qualified business facility investment was made prior to January 1, 1996, 50% of such tax imposed upon the amount which exceeds such tax liability or such portion thereof may be carried over for credit in the same manner in the succeeding taxable years until the total amount of such credit is used. Except that, before the credit is allowed, a taxpayer, who meets the definition of a manufacturing business in subsection (d) of K.S.A. 74-50,114(d), and amendments thereto, shall recertify annually that the net increase of a minimum of two qualified business facility employees has continued to be maintained and a taxpayer, who meets the definition of a nonmanufacturing business in subsection (f) of K.S.A. 74-50,114(f), and amendments thereto, shall recertify annually that the net increase of a minimum of five qualified business employees has continued to be maintained.
- (e) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this section, and except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any taxpayer qualified and certified under the provisions of K.S.A. 74-50,131, and amendments thereto; which, that prior to making a commitment to invest in a qualified Kansas business, has filed a certificate of intent to invest in a qualified business facility in a form satisfactory to the secretary of commerce; and

1 that has received written approval from the secretary of commerce for 2 participation and has participated, during the tax year for which the 3 exemption is claimed, in the Kansas industrial training, Kansas industrial 4 retraining or the state of Kansas investments in lifelong learning program 5 or is eligible for the tax credit established in K.S.A. 74-50,132, and 6 amendments thereto, shall be entitled to a credit in an amount equal to 7 10% of that portion of the qualified business facility investment-which 8 that exceeds \$50,000 in lieu of the credit provided in subsection (b)(2) or 9 (c)(2) without regard to the number of qualified business facility 10 employees engaged or maintained in employment at the qualified business facility. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2012, for a qualified 11 12 business facility investment in Douglas, Johnson, Sedgwick, Shawnee or 13 Wyandotte counties county, such credit shall be in an amount equal to 10% 14 of that portion of the qualified business facility investment-which that 15 exceeds \$1,000,000. Any taxpayer who has filed a certificate of intent to 16 invest in a qualified business facility pursuant to this subsection in 17 Douglas, Johnson, Sedgwick, Shawnee or Wyandotte county prior to 18 December 31, 2011, and commences investments in a qualified business 19 facility prior to December 31, 2013, may claim credits under K.S.A. 74-20 50,131, 74-50,132 and subsection (e) of 79-32,160a(e), and amendments 21 thereto, in an amount equal to 10% of that portion of the qualified business 22 facility investment—which that exceeds \$50,000. Timing modifications may 23 be authorized at the discretion of the secretary of commerce and the 24 secretary of revenue during the transition period. The credit allowed by 25 this subsection shall be a one-time credit. If the amount thereof exceeds 26 the tax imposed by the Kansas income tax act on the taxpayer's Kansas 27 taxable income or the premium tax or privilege fees imposed pursuant to 28 K.S.A. 40-252, and amendments thereto, or the privilege tax as measured 29 by net income of financial institutions imposed pursuant to article 11 of 30 chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes Annotated, and amendments thereto, for 31 the taxable year, the amount thereof which that exceeds such tax liability may be carried forward for credit in the succeeding taxable year or vears 32 33 until the total amount of the tax credit is used, except that no such tax 34 credit shall be carried forward for deduction after the 16th taxable year 35 succeeding the taxable year in which such credit initially was claimed, and 36 no carryforward shall be allowed for deduction in any succeeding taxable 37 year unless the taxpayer certifies under oath that the taxpayer continues to 38 meet the requirements of K.S.A. 74-50,131, and amendments thereto, and 39 this act. In no event shall any credit allowed under this section that expired 40 during any taxable year prior to the taxable year commencing January 1, 41 2011, be revived under the provisions of this act. 42

(f) For projects placed into service on and after January 1, 2021, a taxpayer may transfer up to 50% of the tax credit allowed under

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1 subsection (e), as provided in this subsection. The taxpayer may make a 2 transfer to one or more transferees, but the total of all transfers shall not 3 exceed 50% of the taxpayer's tax credit. The taxpayer shall make the 4 transfer or transfers within a single tax year. The credit may be 5 transferred to any individual or entity and shall be claimed in the year the 6 credit was transferred against the transferee's tax liability for the income 7 tax under the Kansas income tax act or the premium tax or privilege fees 8 imposed pursuant to K.S.A. 40-252, and amendments thereto, or the privilege tax as measured by the net income of financial institutions 9 imposed pursuant to article 11 of chapter 79 of the Kansas Statutes 10 Annotated, and amendments thereto. The amount of the credit that exceeds 11 12 the transferee's tax liability for such year may be carried forward for credit in the succeeding taxable year or years until the total amount of the 13 14 tax credit is used, except that no such credit shall be carried forward for 15 deduction after the 16th taxable year succeeding the taxable year in which 16 such credit initially was claimed. The taxpayer or transferee shall provide 17 such documentation of the tax credit transfer to the secretary of revenue as 18 may be required by the secretary. 19

- (g) In the event the tax credit earned by the taxpayer and transferred to a transferee is later disallowed in whole or in part by the secretary of revenue, then the taxpayer that originally earned the tax credit shall be liable for repayment to the state in the amount disallowed.
- (h) For tax years commencing after December 31, 2005, any taxpayer claiming credits pursuant to this section, as a condition for claiming and qualifying for such credits, shall provide information pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,243, and amendments thereto, as part of the tax return in which such credits are claimed. Such credits shall not be denied solely on the basis of the contents of the information provided by the taxpayer pursuant to K.S.A. 79-32,243, and amendments thereto.
- 30 (g)(i) This section and K.S.A. 79-32,160b, and amendments thereto, 31 shall be part of and supplemental to the job expansion and investment 32 credit act of 1976, and amendments thereto.
- 33 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 79-32,160a is hereby repealed.

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Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.