

HB 1278 -- Tax Credits

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This bill changes the laws regarding tax credits. In its main provisions, the bill:

(1) Extends the provisions regarding the income tax credit for the surviving spouse of a public safety officer from August 28, 2013, to December 31, 2017 (Section 135.090, RSMo);

(2) Extends the provisions regarding the children in crisis tax credit from August 28, 2012, to December 31, 2016 (Section 135.327);

(3) Extends the provisions regarding the residential renovations for disability tax credit from December 31, 2013, to December 31, 2017 (Section 135.562);

(4) Extends the provisions regarding the tax credit for a contribution to a pregnancy resource center from August 28, 2012, to December 31, 2016 (Section 135.630);

(5) Re-authorizes the provisions regarding the income tax credit for a donation to a food pantry until December 31, 2016 (Section 135.647);

(6) Changes the laws regarding the Tax Credit Accountability Act of 2004 by adding the developmental disability care provider tax credit to the definition of domestic and social tax credit (Section 135.800);

(7) Requires the Joint Committee on Legislative Research to conduct a review of any tax credit program by September 1 of the calendar year prior to the year in which tax credit authorizations or issuances will be prohibited for the tax credit program (Section 135.825);

(8) Extends the provisions regarding the Residential Treatment Agency Tax Credit Act from August 28, 2012, to December 31, 2016. The annual amount of tax credits for which an agency is authorized is increased from up to 40% to up to 100% of the payments received from the Department of Social Services in the preceding 12 months (Section 135.1150); and

(9) Establishes the Developmental Disability Care Provider Tax Credit Program which, for all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2012, authorizes a tax credit, excluding withholding taxes, of 50% of the amount of a taxpayer's contribution to a qualified developmental disability care provider if the provider

submits an application for the credit to the Department of Social Services on behalf of the taxpayer, provides the taxpayer's name and identification number and the date and amount of the donation, and pays the department an amount equal to the value of the credit. The credit is not refundable but can be carried forward for up to four years and is transferable (Section 135.1180).

The provisions regarding the Developmental Disability Care Provider Tax Credit Program will expire December 31, 2016.

The provisions regarding the income tax credit for a donation to a food pantry contain an emergency clause.