

HB 2297 -- TAX CREDIT FOR HOMELESS SHELTER DONATIONS

SPONSOR: Muntzel

Beginning January 1, 2017, this bill authorizes a tax credit equal to 50% of a taxpayer's contribution to a homeless shelter. The amount of the credit claimed cannot exceed \$50,000 per year. The credit is nonrefundable, cannot be assigned, transferred, or sold, but can be carried forward 4 years. With the exception of any credit carried over, to claim a tax credit, the total value of contributions to qualified organizations during the taxable year must be over \$100. The cumulative amount of tax credits cannot exceed \$2.5 million per tax year. The credits will be issued in the order contributions are received.

The Director of the Department of Social Services will determine which organizations are qualified and establish a procedure for taxpayers to determine which organizations are qualified and how the credits are apportioned. Each homeless shelter must provide relevant information to the Director of the Department of Revenue including who made a contribution and the amount of such contribution.

The provisions of this bill will expire December 31 six years after the effective date.