SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 5100

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967,"

(MCL 206.1 to 206.847) by adding section 677.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 677. (1) Subject to the limitations under this section,
- 2 for tax years beginning on and after January 1, 2024, a taxpayer
- 3 that is an authorized business may claim a credit against the tax
- 4 imposed under this part as follows:
- 5 (a) For a taxpayer with 250 or more employees, an amount equal
- 6 to the sum of 3% of the taxpayer's qualifying research and
- 7 development expenses incurred during the calendar year ending with
- 8 or within the tax year up to the base amount and 10% of the
- 9 taxpayer's qualifying research and development expenses incurred

- 1 during the calendar year ending with or within the tax year in
- 2 excess of the base amount. The credit amount calculated under this
- 3 subdivision must not exceed \$2,000,000.00 per tax year per
- 4 taxpayer.
- 5 (b) For a taxpayer with less than 250 employees, an amount
- 6 equal to the sum of 3% of the taxpayer's qualifying research and
- 7 development expenses incurred during the calendar year ending with
- 8 or within the tax year up to the base amount and 15% of the
- 9 taxpayer's qualifying research and development expenses incurred
- 10 during the calendar year ending with or within the tax year in
- 11 excess of the base amount. The credit amount calculated under this
- 12 subdivision must not exceed \$250,000.00 per tax year per taxpayer.
- 13 (2) Subject to the limitations under this section, a taxpayer
- 14 claiming a credit under subsection (1) may claim an additional
- 15 credit equal to 5% of the qualifying research and development
- 16 expenses incurred during the calendar year ending with or within
- 17 the tax year that are in excess of the base amount if the
- 18 taxpayer's qualifying research and development expenses for which
- 19 the credit is being claimed under subsection (1) are incurred in
- 20 collaboration with a research university in this state pursuant to
- 21 a written agreement between the taxpayer and the research
- 22 university. In order to claim the additional credit under this
- 23 subsection, if requested by the department, the taxpayer must
- 24 provide the department with a copy of the written agreement with
- 25 the research university. The additional credit allowed under this
- 26 subsection must not exceed \$200,000.00 per tax year per taxpayer.
- 27 (3) To be eligible for a credit under this section, a taxpayer
- 28 must submit, in a form and manner as prescribed by the department,
- 29 a tentative claim for which a credit under this section is sought

- 1 to the department on or before March 15 after the calendar year
- 2 ending with or within the tax year for which the taxpayer intends
- 3 to submit a claim for the credit on the taxpayer's annual return
- 4 required under this part. The tentative claim required under this
- 5 subsection must include, at a minimum, all of the following
- 6 information:
- 7 (a) If the credit is to be claimed under subsection (1)(a) or
- 8 (b).
- 9 (b) The amount of qualifying research and development expenses
- 10 incurred for which a credit is being claimed.
- 11 (c) If an additional credit is to be claimed under subsection
- 12 (2) for collaboration with a research university.
- 13 (4) The department shall review all tentative claims submitted
- 14 under this subsection and if the amount of tentative claims
- 15 submitted exceeds the amount allowed under subsection (5), the
- 16 department shall publish a notice on its website notifying
- 17 taxpayers of the adjustment to the tentative claims for that
- 18 calendar year as required under subsection (5).
- 19 (5) The aggregate amount of credits allowed to be claimed by
- 20 all taxpayers under this section and all employers under section
- 21 717 based on qualifying research and development expenses incurred
- 22 in a single calendar year must not exceed \$100,000,000.00. If the
- 23 aggregate amount of credits claimed under this section and section
- 24 717 exceeds \$100,000,000.00, the department shall prorate the
- 25 amount of credits allowed for each claimant as follows:
- 26 (a) If the aggregate amount of credits claimed by all
- 27 taxpayers qualifying under subsection (1)(b) and all employers
- 28 qualifying under section 717(1)(b) does not exceed \$25,000,000.00,
- 29 the amount of credits claimed by each of those claimants must not

- 1 be prorated. However, for taxpayers claiming a credit under
- 2 subsection (1)(a) or employers claiming a credit under section
- 3 717(1)(a), the amount of credits claimed must be prorated so that
- 4 each claimant's allowed credits equal that claimant's pro rata
- 5 share of the remaining amount of credits allowed to be claimed
- 6 under this subsection and section 717(5).
- 7 (b) Except as provided in subdivision (c), if the aggregate
- 8 amount of credits claimed by all taxpayers qualifying under
- 9 subsection (1)(b) and all employers qualifying under section
- 10 717(1)(b) exceeds \$25,000,000.00, the amount of credits claimed by
- 11 each of those claimants must be prorated so that each claimant's
- 12 allowed credits equal that claimant's pro rata share of
- 13 \$25,000,000.00, and the amount of credits claimed by each taxpayer
- 14 qualifying under subsection (1)(a) or employer qualifying under
- 15 section 717(1)(a) must be prorated so that each claimant's allowed
- 16 credits equal that claimant's pro rata share of \$75,000,000.00.
- 17 (c) If the aggregate amount of credits claimed by all
- 18 taxpayers qualifying under subsection (1)(b) and all employers
- 19 qualifying under section 717(1)(b) exceeds 25% of the aggregate
- 20 amount of credits claimed by all taxpayers under this section and
- 21 employers under section 717, then the proration under subdivision
- 22 (b) does not apply, and the amount of credits claimed by each
- 23 taxpayer under this section and employer under section 717 shall be
- 24 prorated so that each claimant's allowed credits equal that
- 25 claimant's pro rata share of \$100,000,000.00.
- 26 (6) A taxpayer shall not assign or transfer all or any portion
- 27 of a credit allowed under this section. A credit or any portion of
- 28 a credit allowed under this section is not assignable or
- 29 transferable either by agreement or by operation of law.

- (7) A taxpayer shall, in a form and manner as prescribed by 1 the department, file a claim for a credit under this section with 2 the annual return required to be filed under this part for the same 3 tax year for which a credit under this section is claimed. The 4 credits allowed under this section must be claimed after all 5 6 allowable nonrefundable credits under this part. If the amount of 7 the credits allowed under this section exceeds the tax liability of 8 the taxpayer for the tax year, that portion of the credit that 9 exceeds the tax liability of the taxpayer for the tax year must be 10 refunded.
- 11 (8) As used in this section, "authorized business", "base
 12 amount", "Michigan strategic fund", "qualifying research and
 13 development expenses", and "research university" mean those terms
 14 as defined in section 716.