2018 Second Extraordinary Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 24

BY REPRESENTATIVE JAMES

## TAX CREDITS: Increases the amount of the earned income tax credit (Item #21)

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 47:297.8(A), relative to individual income tax; to provide with
3	respect to the earned income tax credit; to increase the amount of the tax credit; to
4	provide for applicability; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related
5	matters.
6	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
7	Section 1. R.S. 47:297.8(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:
8	§297.8. Earned income tax credit
9	A. There shall be a credit against the tax imposed by this Chapter for
10	individuals in an amount equal to three and one-half ten percent of the federal earned
11	income tax credit for which the individual is eligible for the taxable year under
12	Section 32 of the Internal Revenue Code.
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14	Section 2. The provisions of this Act shall be applicable for taxable years beginning
15	on and after January 1, 2018.
16	Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not
17	signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature
18	by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If
19	vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become
20	effective on the day following such approval.

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Abstract: Increases the amount of the La. earned income tax credit from 3.5% to 10% of the taxpayer's federal earned income tax credit.

<u>Present law</u> provides for an individual income tax credit in an amount equal to 3.5% of the amount of the taxpayer's federal earned income tax credit authorized under Section 32 of the Internal Revenue Code.

<u>Proposed law</u> increases the amount of the state credit from 3.5% to 10% of the federal tax credit.

Applicable to tax years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2018.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 47:297.8(A))