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### HOUSE FLOOR AMENDMENTS

2015 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Representative Ritchie to Engrossed House Bill No. 629 by Representative Jackson

## 1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

- 2 On page 1, line 8, after "6014(A)," and before "6016.1(B)(1)" insert "6015(C)(2) and (D),"
- 3 AMENDMENT NO. 2
- 4 On page 1, line 9, after "6019(A)(1)(a)," and before "6023(C)(1)" insert "6020(D)(1) and 5 (2)(a), 6022(D)(2)(introductory paragraph),"
- 6 AMENDMENT NO. 3
- 7 On page 1, line 11, after "6035(C)(1) and (D)," and before "and 6037(B)(1)" insert "6036(C)(1)(b) and (I)(2)(a)(i),"
- 9 AMENDMENT NO. 4
- 10 On page 1, line 14, after "6007(C)(1)c)(iii) and (d)," and before "relative" insert "and 6022(D)(3),"
- 12 AMENDMENT NO. 5
- On page 3, at the beginning of line 7, insert "6015(C)(2) and (D)," and after "6019(A)(1)(a)," and before "6023(C)(1)" insert "6020(D)(1) and (2)(a), 6022(D)(2)(introductory paragraph),"
- 15 AMENDMENT NO. 6
- 16 On page 3, line 9, after "6035(C)(1) and (D)," and before "and 6037(B)(1)" insert 17 "6036(C)(1)(b) and (I)(2)(a)(i),"
- 18 AMENDMENT NO. 7
- 19 On page 3, line 11, after "6006.1(E)(4)," delete the remainder of the line and insert 20 "6007(C)(1)(c)(iii) and (d), and 6022(D)(3) are hereby enacted to read as"
- 21 <u>AMENDMENT NO. 8</u>
- 22 On page 19, between lines 10 and 11, insert the following:
- 23 "§6015. Research and development tax credit
- 24 \* \* \*
- 25 C.
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- (2) The amount of the credit authorized in this Section shall be equal 1 2 to either: 3 (a) Eight Six percent of the difference, if any, of the Louisiana 4 qualified research expenses for the taxable year minus the base amount, if the 5 taxpayer is an entity that employs one hundred or more persons. 6 (b) Twenty Sixteen percent of the difference, if any, of the Louisiana 7 qualified research expenses for the taxable year minus the base amount, if the 8 taxpayer is an entity that employs fifty to ninety-nine persons. 9 (c) Forty Thirty-two percent of the Louisiana qualified research 10 expenses for the taxable year, if the taxpayer is an entity that employs less 11 than fifty persons. 12 13 14 15 D. A taxpayer who receives a federal Small Business Innovation 16 Research Grant as created by the Small Business Innovation Development 17 Act of 1982 (P.L. 97-219), reauthorized by the Small Business Research and Development Enhancement Act (P.L. 102-564), and reauthorized again by 18 19 the Small Business Reauthorization Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-554), shall be 20 allowed a refundable tax credit in an amount equal to forty thirty-two percent 21 of the award received during the tax year. \*" 22 23 AMENDMENT NO. 9 On page 20, after line 29, insert the following: 24 25 "§6020. Angel Investor Tax Credit Program 26 27 D. Tax credits. (1) The total amount of tax credits granted by the 28 department in any calendar year shall not exceed five million four million 29 dollars. The department shall by rule establish the method of allocating 30 available tax credits to investors including but not limited to a first-come, 31 first-served system, reservation of tax credits for a specific time period, or 32 other method which the department, in its discretion, may find beneficial to 33 the program. If the department does not grant the entire five million four 34 million dollars in tax credits in any calendar year, the amount of residual 35 unused tax credits shall carry forward to subsequent calendar years and may 36 be granted in any year without regard to the five million four million dollar 37 per year limitation. After the approval of an investor pool, the department 38 shall issue a letter identifying the amount of tax credits that are available to 39 that pool; however, no tax credit shall be granted to an investor until the 40 investment has been made in the Louisiana Entrepreneurial Business. 41 (2)(a) An investor may apply for and, if qualified, be granted a credit 42 on any income or corporation franchise tax liability owed to the state by the 43 taxpayer seeking to claim the credit in the amount approved by the secretary 44
- 44 of the department. The amount of the tax credit shall be based upon the
  45 amount of money invested by the investor in the Louisiana Entrepreneurial
  46 Business, which investment shall not exceed one million eight hundred
  47 thousand dollars per year per business and two million one million six
  48 hundred thousand dollars total per business. Except as otherwise provided
  49 in Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the credit shall be allowed against the

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1 2 3 4 5	income tax for the taxable period in which the credit is earned and the franchise tax for the taxable period following the period in which the credit is earned. The credits approved by the department shall be granted at the rate of thirty-five twenty-eight percent of the amount of the investment with the credit divided in equal portions for five years.
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7	§6022. Digital interactive media and software tax credit
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9	D. Tax credit; specific projects.
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11	(2) For applications for state-certified productions submitted to the
12	office on or after July 1, 2009, and before July 1, 2015, and subsequently
13	approved by the office and secretary, there are hereby authorized tax credits
14	which shall be earned by a company at the time funds are expended in
15	Louisiana on a state-certified production as follows:
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17	(3) For applications for state-certified productions submitted to the
18	office on or after July 1, 2015, and subsequently approved by the office and
19	secretary, there are hereby authorized tax credits that shall be earned by a
20	company at the time funds are expended in Louisiana on a state-certified
21	production as follows:
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22 23	(a) Credits shall be earned at the rate of twenty percent of the base investment.
24	(b) To the extent that base investment is expended on payroll for
25	Louisiana residents employed in connection with a state-certified production,
26	additional tax credits shall be earned at the rate of eight percent of the
27	payroll.
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28	* * * *''
29	AMENDMENT NO. 10
30	On page 26, between lines 24 and 25, insert the following:
31	"§6036. Ports of Louisiana tax credits
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33	C Investor tax and $(1)(a)$ . There are hereby authorized the
33 34	C. Investor tax credit. $(1)(a)$ There are hereby authorized the following credits against state income and corporate franchise tax:
35	* * *
36	(b) The Investor Tax Credit provided for in this Subsection shall be
37	granted by the Department of Economic Development for a qualifying
38	project if the commissioner of administration, after approval of the Joint
39 40	Legislative Committee on the Budget, and the state bond commission
40	certifies to the secretary of the department that securing the project will result
41	in a significant positive economic benefit to the state. "Significant positive

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economic benefit" means net positive tax revenue that shall be determined by taking into account direct, indirect, and induced impacts of the project based on a standard economic impact methodology utilized by the commissioner, and the value of the credit, and any other state tax and financial incentives that are used by the department to secure the project. If the commissioner with the approval of the committee so certifies, then the Department of Economic Development may grant a tax credit equal to eighty percent of the total capital costs of such qualifying project to be taken at five percent per tax year or shall grant such other amount of tax credit to be taken at such other percentage which is warranted by the significant positive economic benefit determined by the commissioner, but no tax credit granted for a qualifying project shall exceed two million five hundred thousand two million dollars per tax year. However, the total amount of tax credits granted on a qualifying project shall not exceed the total cost of the project. In addition, the investor tax credits granted by the department to any recipient pursuant to this Section shall be limited to an amount which shall not result in a reduction of tax liability by all recipients of such credits to exceed six million two hundred fifty thousand five million dollars in any fiscal year.

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I. Import-export cargo tax credit.

22 (2)(a)(i) For taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2014, 23 there shall be allowed a credit against the individual income, corporation 24 income, and corporation franchise tax liability of a taxpayer who has 25 received certification pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph (1) of this Subsection; provided that the credit shall be allowed only against the tax 26 27 liability of the international business entity which receives the certification. 28 The amount of the credit shall be equal to the product of multiplying five 29 dollars four dollars by the taxpayer's number of tons of qualified cargo for 30 the taxable year which exceeds the pre-certification tonnage or the product 31 of multiplying the number of dollars by the taxpayer's number of tons of 32 qualified cargo for the taxable year or portion of a taxable year which 33 exceeds the pre-certification tonnage which is warranted by the significant 34 positive economic benefit determined by the commissioner pursuant to Item 35 (ii) of this Subparagraph, whichever is less. For purposes of this Item, "precertification tonnage" means the number of tons of cargo which meets the 36 37 definition of qualified cargo for purposes of this credit, and which was 38 owned by the international business entity receiving the credit, were 39 imported or exported to or from a manufacturing, fabrication, assembly, 40 distribution, processing, or warehouse facility located in Louisiana, and 41 which were so moved by way of an oceangoing vessel berthed at public port facilities in Louisiana during the 2013 calendar year. However, each tax 42 43 credit granted to a taxpayer shall be subject to the same limit as is provided 44 for a qualifying project pursuant to Subparagraph (C)(1)(b) of this Section. 45 In addition, the import-export cargo tax credits granted by the department to 46 any recipient pursuant to this Section shall be limited to an amount which 47 shall not result in a reduction of tax liability by all recipients of such credits 48 to exceed six million two hundred fifty thousand five million dollars in any 49 fiscal year.

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