

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 HB4406

Introduced 1/16/2024, by Rep. Dave Severin

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 5/241 new

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Creates an income tax credit in an amount equal to the foster care expenses, not to exceed \$1,000 in any taxable year, paid or incurred by the taxpayer with respect to a qualified dependent child. Provides that the credit may be prorated. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Income Tax Act is amended by adding Section 241 as follows:
- 6 (35 ILCS 5/241 new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 241. Foster care credit.</u>
- (a) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 8 9 2024, there shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by subsections (a) and (b) of Section 201 of this Act in an 10 amount equal to the foster care expenses paid or incurred, not 11 12 to exceed \$1,000 in any taxable year, by the taxpayer as a foster care parent for a qualifying dependent child. The tax 13 14 credit under this Section may be claimed by the taxpayer for the taxable year in which the taxpayer becomes the legal 15 16 quardian of the qualifying dependent child. The taxpayer must be under contract with the Department of Children and Family 17 Services and providing care to the qualifying dependent child 18 19 for at least 6 months during the taxable year to receive the 20 full credit. If the taxpayer is under contract with the 21 Department of Children and Family Services and providing care 22 to the qualifying dependent child for less than 6 months during the taxable year, then the taxpayer is entitled to a 2.3

1	credit in an amount equal to the product of (i) the lesser of
2	the foster care expenses paid or incurred by the taxpayer or
3	\$1,000, multiplied by (ii) a fraction the numerator of which
4	is the number of days during the taxable year during which the
5	taxpayer is under contract with the Department of Children and
6	Family Services and providing care to the qualifying dependent
7	child and the denominator of which is 365.

- (b) In no event shall a credit under this Section reduce a taxpayer's liability to less than zero. If the amount of the credit exceeds the tax liability for the year, the excess may be carried forward and applied to the tax liability for the 5 taxable years following the excess credit year. The tax credit shall be applied to the earliest year for which there is a tax liability. If there are credits for more than one year that are available to offset liability, the earlier credit shall be applied first.
- (c) The Department of Children and Family Services, in collaboration with the Department of Revenue, shall adopt rules to implement and administer this Section.
 - (d) As used in this Section:
- "Qualifying dependent child" means a person who is an

 Illinois resident in the custody of the Department of

 Children and Family Services who is the foster child of

 the taxpayer seeking a credit under this Section.
- 25 <u>(e) This Section is exempt from the provisions of Section</u> 26 <u>250.</u>

- 1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 2 becoming law.