

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 HB5084

Introduced 2/7/2012, by Rep. Sidney H. Mathias

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 5/223 new

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Allows an income tax credit for each individual taxpayer who is a teacher teaching in a school in Illinois. Provides that the amount of the credit is equal to the eligible classroom expenses made by the taxpayer during the taxable year, but the credit may not exceed \$500. Defines "eligible classroom expenses" as the aggregate amount of nonreimbursed classroom expenses made by the taxpayer during the taxable year less \$250. Provides that the credit may not be carried forward or back and may not reduce the taxpayer's liability to less than zero. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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 223 as follows:
- 6 (35 ILCS 5/223 new)
- 7 Sec. 223. Classroom supply credit.
- 8 (a) For taxable years ending on or after December 31, 2012,
 9 each individual taxpayer who is a teacher teaching in a school
 10 in Illinois is entitled to a credit against the tax imposed by
 11 subsections (a) and (b) of Section 201 in an amount equal to
- 12 <u>50% of the eligible classroom expenses made by the taxpayer</u>
- during the taxable year, but the credit may not exceed \$500.
- 14 <u>(b) For the purpose of this Section:</u>
- "Eliqible classroom expenses" means the aggregate amount

 of nonreimbursed classroom expenses made by the taxpayer during

 the taxable year less \$250.
- "School" means any public or nonpublic elementary or
 secondary school in Illinois that is in compliance with Title

 VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and attendance at which
 satisfies the requirements of Section 26-1 of the School Code.
- 22 <u>(c) The credit may not be carried forward or back. In no</u> 23 event shall a credit under this Section reduce the taxpayer's

- 1 <u>liability to less than zero.</u>
- 2 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 3 becoming law.