## 98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## State of Illinois

# 2013 and 2014

#### SB1720

Introduced 2/15/2013, by Sen. Kyle McCarter

### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 5/224 new

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Provides that each taxpayer is entitled to a credit in an amount equal to (i) 25% of the qualified first-year wages, not to exceed \$6,000, paid to each qualified employee who worked at least 120 hours but less than 400 hours during the taxable year, and (ii) 40% of the qualified first-year wages, not to exceed \$6,000, paid to each qualified employee who worked at least 400 hours during the taxable year. Provides that the term "qualified employee" means a person who (i) received benefits under either the Temporary Aid to Needy Families Program under Article IV of the Public Aid Code or the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) for any 9 months during the 18-month period ending on the date the employee was hired by the taxpayer, and (ii) was employed by the taxpayer for a period of exactly 12 consecutive months at any point during the taxable year. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY 1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

(35 ILCS 5/224 new)

# 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, 3 represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Illinois Income Tax Act is amended by adding
Section 224 as follows:

Sec. 224. Credit for wages paid to employees who receive
TANF or SNAP.

9 (a) For taxable years ending on or after December 31, 2013, each taxpayer is entitled to a credit against the tax imposed 10 under subsections (a) and (b) of Section 201 in an amount equal 11 12 to (i) 25% of the qualified first-year wages, not to exceed \$6,000, paid to each qualified employee who worked at least 120 13 14 hours but less than 400 hours during the taxable year, and (ii) 40% of the qualified first-year wages, not to exceed \$6,000, 15 16 paid to each qualified employee who worked at least 400 hours 17 during the taxable year. 18 (b) For the purposes of this Section:

19 "Qualified employee" means a person who (i) received 20 benefits under either the Temporary Aid to Needy Families 21 Program under Article IV of the Public Aid Code or the federal 22 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) for any 9 23 months during the 18-month period ending on the date the

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employee was hired by the taxpayer, and (ii) was employed by the taxpayer for a period of exactly 12 consecutive months at any point during the taxable year.

<u>"Qualified first-year wages" means, with respect to a</u>
<u>gualified employee, qualified wages attributable to services</u>
<u>rendered during the one-year period beginning on the date the</u>
<u>individual begins work for the taxpayer.</u>

(c) The tax credit may not reduce the taxpayer's liability 8 9 to less than zero. If the amount of the tax credit exceeds the tax liability for the year, the excess may be carried forward 10 11 and applied to the tax liability of the 5 taxable years 12 following the excess credit year. The credit must be applied to 13 the earliest year for which there is a tax liability. If there are credits from more than one tax year that are available to 14 offset a liability, then the earlier credit must be applied 15 16 first.

17 (d) This Section is exempt from the provisions of Section
18 250.

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