

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2023 and 2024 HB2466

Introduced 2/15/2023, by Rep. Suzanne M. Ness

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 5/234 new

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Provides that a taxpayer who employs a person with a developmental disability or a severe mental illness, as certified by the Department of Human Services, during the taxable year is entitled to an income tax credit in an amount equal to 25% of the wages paid by the taxpayer to the person with a developmental disability or severe mental illness, but not to exceed \$6,000 in wages paid during the taxable year to any single qualified employee. 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 234 as follows:
- 6 (35 ILCS 5/234 new)
- Sec. 234. Credit for employment of persons with developmental disabilities or severe mental illness.
- 9 (a) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, a taxpayer who employs a person with a developmental 10 disability or a severe mental illness, as certified by the 11 12 Department of Human Services, during the taxable year is entitled to a credit against the taxes imposed by subsections 13 14 (a) and (b) of Section 201 in an amount equal to 25% of the wages paid by the taxpayer to the person with a developmental 15 disability or severe mental illness, but not to exceed \$6,000 16 17 in wages paid during the taxable year to any single qualified 18 employee.
- 19 (b) The taxpayer shall apply, in the form and manner
 20 required by the Department of Human Services, for a
 21 determination of whether an employee meets the requirements
 22 under subsection (a). If an employee meets the requirements, a
 23 letter of certification containing the names of the taxpayer

- and the qualifying employee shall be issued by the Department
- of Human Services to the taxpayer. The Department of Human
- 3 Services shall adopt rules for the certification of employees
- 4 under this Section.
- 5 (c) The tax credit may not reduce the taxpayer's liability
- 6 to less than zero. If the amount of the tax credit exceeds the
- 7 tax liability for the year, the excess may be carried forward
- 8 and applied to the tax liability of the 5 taxable years
- 9 <u>following the excess credit year. The credit must be applied</u>
- 10 to the earliest year for which there is a tax liability. If
- 11 there are credits from more than one tax year that are
- 12 available to offset a liability, then the earlier credit must
- 13 be applied first.
- 14 (d) If the taxpayer is a partnership or Subchapter S
- 15 corporation, the credit is allowed to the partners or
- shareholders in accordance with the determination of income
- 17 and distributive share of income under Sections 702 and 704
- and Subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code.
- 19 (e) This Section is exempt from the provisions of Section
- 20 250.
- 21 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 22 becoming law.