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# HOUSE BILL NO. 655

## 95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES FISCHER (107) (Sponsor) AND LeVOTA (Co-sponsor).

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### AN ACT

To amend chapter 135, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a tax credit for certain reserve public safety officers.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 135, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 135.611, to read as follows:

**135.611. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:**

(1) **"Reserve public safety officer", any reserve law enforcement officer, reserve firefighter, or reserve certified public safety personnel who works for a public safety agency other than the officer's primary employer at no charge or cost to the agency providing reserve status;**

(2) **"Tax credit", a credit against the tax otherwise due under chapter 143, RSMo, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo;**

(3) **"Taxpayer", any reserve public safety officer subject to the tax imposed in chapter 143, RSMo, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, RSMo.**

**2. For all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2010, a taxpayer shall be allowed a tax credit for hours worked in reserve status. The tax credit amount shall be equal to ten dollars per hour the taxpayer worked in reserve status, but shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars per month nor three thousand dollars per taxable year per taxpayer claiming the credit. The amount of the tax credit issued shall not exceed the amount of the taxpayer's state tax liability for the tax year for which the credit is claimed. No amount of credit that the taxpayer is prohibited by this section from claiming in a tax**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 year shall be refundable, nor shall any tax credit issued under this section be transferred,  
19 sold, or assigned. If the amount of the tax credit issued exceeds the amount of the  
20 taxpayer's state tax liability for the tax year for which the credit is claimed, the difference  
21 shall not be refundable but may be carried forward to any of the taxpayer's four  
22 subsequent taxable years.

23       **3. The department of revenue may promulgate rules to implement the provisions**  
24 **of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010,**  
25 **RSMo, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective**  
26 **only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536, RSMo, and,**  
27 **if applicable, section 536.028, RSMo. This section and chapter 536, RSMo, are**  
28 **nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to**  
29 **chapter 536, RSMo, to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule**  
30 **are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any**  
31 **rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2009, shall be invalid and void.**

32       **4. Under section 23.253, RSMo, of the Missouri Sunset Act:**

33       **(1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall**  
34 **automatically sunset on December thirty-first six years after the effective date of this**  
35 **section unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly; and**

36       **(2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section**  
37 **shall automatically sunset on December thirty-first twelve years after the effective date of**  
38 **the reauthorization of this section; and**

39       **(3) This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year immediately**  
40 **following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset.**

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