THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL No. 1521 Session of 2008

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AN ACT

- 1 Amending Title 12 (Commerce and Trade) of the Pennsylvania
- 2 Consolidated Statutes, further providing for Keystone
- 3 Innovation Zone tax credits.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Section 3706(a) and (d) of Title 12 of the
- 7 Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes are amended and the section
- 8 is amended by adding a subsection to read:
- 9 § 3706. Keystone innovation zone tax credits.
- 10 (a) Tax credit.--[A] Except as set forth in subsection
- 11 (a.1), a KIZ company may claim a tax credit equal to 50% of the
- 12 increase in the KIZ company's gross revenues in the immediately
- 13 preceding taxable year attributable to activities in the KIZ
- 14 over the KIZ company's gross revenues in the second preceding
- 15 taxable year attributable to its activities in the KIZ. A tax
- 16 credit for a KIZ company shall not exceed \$100,000 annually. For
- 17 the purposes of the keystone innovation zone tax credit, the
- 18 term "gross revenues" may include grants received by the KIZ

- 1 company from any source whatsoever.
- 2 (a.1) Initial tax credits.--
- 3 (1) In the first taxable year in which a KIZ company
- 4 operates within a KIZ, a KIZ company may claim a tax credit
- 5 equal to 25% of the increase in the KIZ company's gross
- 6 revenues in the immediately preceding taxable year over the
- 7 KIZ company's gross revenues in the second preceding taxable
- 8 year. A tax credit for a KIZ company shall not exceed
- 9 \$100,000 annually. For the purposes of the keystone
- innovation zone tax credit, the term "gross revenues" may
- include grants received by the KIZ company from any source
- 12 <u>whatsoever</u>.
- 13 (2) In the second taxable year in which a KIZ company
- operates within a KIZ, a KIZ company may claim a tax credit
- 15 equal to 50% of the increase in the KIZ company's gross
- revenues in the immediately preceding taxable year over the
- 17 KIZ company's gross revenues in the second preceding taxable
- 18 year which (increase) is attributable to activities in the
- 19 KIZ. A tax credit for a KIZ company shall not exceed \$100,000
- 20 <u>annually</u>. For the purposes of the keystone innovation zone
- 21 <u>tax credit, the term "gross revenues" may include grants</u>
- 22 received by the KIZ company from any source whatsoever.
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- 24 (d) Application of tax credit and election.--[A]
- 25 (1) Except as set forth in paragraph (2), a tax credit
- approved under this section must be first applied against the
- 27 KIZ company's tax liability under Article III, IV or VI of
- the act of March 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax
- 29 Reform Code of 1971, for the taxable year during which the
- 30 tax credit is approved. If the amount of tax liability owed

- 1 by the KIZ company is less than the amount of the tax credit,
- 2 the KIZ company may elect to carry forward the amount of the
- 3 remaining tax credit for a period not to exceed four
- 4 additional taxable years and to apply the credit against tax
- 5 liability incurred during those tax years; or the KIZ company
- 6 may elect to sell or assign a portion of the tax credit in
- 7 accordance with the provisions of subsection (f). A KIZ
- 8 company may not carry back or obtain a refund of an unused
- 9 keystone innovation zone tax credit.
- 10 (2) A KIZ company that is approved for a tax credit
- 11 under this section may elect not to apply the credit against
- the KIZ company's tax liability as prescribed in this
- 13 <u>subsection if the KIZ company submitted with its tax credit</u>
- 14 application a current tax lien certificate issued by the
- department showing that the KIZ company has no unpaid tax
- liability due to the Commonwealth or a political subdivision.
- 17 A KIZ company that submitted a current tax lien certificate
- 18 with its application and is awarded a credit under this
- 19 section may immediately sell or assign the tax credit under
- 20 subsection (f).
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- 22 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.