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AMENDMENTS TO LB 830

Introduced by Judiciary.

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following 2 sections: 3 Section 1. Sections 1 to 6 of this act shall be known and 4 may be cited as the Agritourism Insurance Act. 5 Sec. 2. For purposes of the Agritourism Insurance Act: 6 (1) Liability insurance means liability insurance 7 providing a minimum coverage of not less than one million dollars 8 written by an insurance company authorized to do business in this 9 state or obtained through a licensed surplus lines producer; 10 (2) Agritourism activities means activities that allows 11 persons who are members of the general public to view or 12 participate in (a) rural activities that are carried out on a 13 farm or ranch, including farming, ranching, hunting, fishing, and 14 historic, cultural, or natural attractions, and (b) outfitting when 15 vessels or inner tubes are rented for use on public or private 16 streams; and 17 (3) Small agritourism business means a private individual 18 or a private entity that provides agritourism activities and 19 derives or anticipates deriving net income of not more than five 20 hundred thousand dollars annually. 21 Sec. 3. The intent of the Agritourism Insurance Act is 22 to encourage the development of small agritourism businesses and

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to encourage small agritourism businesses to acquire and maintain

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<u>liability insurance by granting such businesses a tax credit as</u>
 <u>provided in the act.</u>

3	Sec. 4. The Agritourism Insurance Fund is created. The
4	fund shall consist of funds transferred from the Local Civic,
5	Cultural, and Convention Center Financing Fund as provided in
6	section 13-2704. As soon after December 31 each year as possible,
7	the Department of Economic Development shall certify the amount of
8	income tax credits granted under section 5 of this act in the prior
9	calendar year to the State Treasurer who shall transfer such amount
10	from the Agritourism Insurance Fund to the General Fund. Any money
11	in the Agritourism Insurance Fund available for investment shall be
12	invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska
13	Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.
14	Sec. 5. <u>(1)</u> Beginning January 1, 2011, a small
15	agritourism business that acquires and maintains liability
16	insurance may apply to the Department of Economic Development for a
17	nonrefundable income tax credit as provided in this section.
18	(2) The application shall include (a) written evidence
19	from the business that such business meets the requirements for
20	being a small agritourism business and has acquired liability
21	insurance, (b) the cost of the liability insurance to the business,
22	and (c) an affidavit stating that the small agritourism business
23	intends to maintain such insurance for at least one year after
24	the tax credit is granted. If the liability insurance is not
25	so maintained, the small agritourism business shall repay to the

27 department shall remit such repayment to the State Treasurer for

department the amount of the credit received with interest. The

1 credit to the Agritourism Insurance Fund.

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2	(3) The department shall grant the tax credit to
3	qualified applicants as the applications are received. A small
4	agritourism business for the first five years after it is open
5	for business may apply for the tax credit for a maximum of five
6	years, which shall be consecutive. The nonrefundable income tax
7	credit is an amount equal to twenty percent of the cost of the
8	liability insurance to the business, not to exceed two thousand
9	dollars annually. Any amount of the tax credit granted but not used
10	may be carried forward to the next tax year. A small agritourism
11	business shall reapply each year a tax credit is sought under the
12	Agritourism Insurance Act.
13	(4) The total amount of tax credits granted per year
14	under this section shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars
15	from the Agritourism Insurance Fund. If the limitation is reached,
16	the department shall so notify applicants of any applications
17	received thereafter.
18	Sec. 6. The Department of Economic Development may adopt
19	and promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the Agritourism
20	Insurance Act.
21	Sec. 7. Section 13-2704, Reissue Revised Statutes of
22	Nebraska, as amended by section 8, Legislative Bill 3, One Hundred
23	First Legislature, First Special Session, 2009, is amended to read:
24	13-2704 The Local Civic, Cultural, and Convention Center
25	Financing Fund is created. The fund shall be administered by the
26	department. Transfers may be made from the fund to the General
27	Fund at the direction of the Legislature. The State Treasurer

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shall transfer thirty percent of money credited to the Local Civic, 1 2 Cultural, and Convention Center Financing Fund, up to five hundred thousand dollars per calendar year, to the Agritourism Insurance 3 4 Fund. Any money in the Local Civic, Cultural, and Convention Center 5 Financing Fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion 6 7 Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act. The fund may be 8 used for assistance for the construction of new centers or the 9 renovation or expansion of existing centers. The fund may not be 10 used for planning, programming, marketing, advertising, and related 11 activities. 12 Sec. 8. Section 77-2715.07, Reissue Revised Statutes of 13 Nebraska, is amended to read: 14 77-2715.07 (1) There shall be allowed to qualified

15 resident individuals as a nonrefundable credit against the income 16 tax imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967:

17 (a) A credit equal to the federal credit allowed under18 section 22 of the Internal Revenue Code; and

19 (b) A credit for taxes paid to another state as provided20 in section 77-2730.

(2) There shall be allowed to qualified resident
individuals against the income tax imposed by the Nebraska Revenue
Act of 1967:

(a) For returns filed reporting federal adjusted
gross incomes of greater than twenty-nine thousand dollars, a
nonrefundable credit equal to twenty-five percent of the federal
credit allowed under section 21 of the Internal Revenue Code of

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1 1986, as amended;

2 (b) For returns filed reporting federal adjusted gross income of twenty-nine thousand dollars or less, a refundable credit 3 4 equal to a percentage of the federal credit allowable under section 5 21 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, whether or not the federal credit was limited by the federal tax liability. 6 7 The percentage of the federal credit shall be one hundred percent 8 for incomes not greater than twenty-two thousand dollars, and 9 the percentage shall be reduced by ten percent for each one 10 thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the reported 11 federal adjusted gross income exceeds twenty-two thousand dollars;

(c) A refundable credit as provided in section 77-5209.01 for individuals who qualify for an income tax credit as a qualified beginning farmer or livestock producer under the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act for all taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2006, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

18 (d) A refundable credit for individuals who qualify for
19 an income tax credit under the Nebraska Advantage Microenterprise
20 Tax Credit Act or the Nebraska Advantage Research and Development
21 Act; and

(e) A refundable credit equal to ten percent of the
federal credit allowed under section 32 of the Internal Revenue
Code of 1986, as amended.

25 (3) There shall be allowed to all individuals as a 26 nonrefundable credit against the income tax imposed by the Nebraska 27 Revenue Act of 1967:

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(a) A credit for personal exemptions allowed under
 section 77-2716.01;

(b) A credit for contributions to certified community 3 4 betterment programs as provided in the Community Development 5 Assistance Act. Each partner, each shareholder of an electing subchapter S corporation, each beneficiary of an estate or trust, 6 7 or each member of a limited liability company shall report his or her share of the credit in the same manner and proportion as he 8 or she reports the partnership, subchapter S corporation, estate, 9 10 trust, or limited liability company income; and

(c) A credit for investment in a biodiesel facility as
provided in section 77-27,236.

13 (4) There shall be allowed as a credit against the income
14 tax imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967:

15 (a) A credit to all resident estates and trusts for taxes
16 paid to another state as provided in section 77-2730;

17 (b) A credit to all estates and trusts for contributions
18 to certified community betterment programs as provided in the
19 Community Development Assistance Act; and

20 (c) A refundable credit for individuals who qualify for 21 an income tax credit as an owner of agricultural assets under the 22 Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act for all taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2009, under the 23 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The credit allowed 24 25 for each partner, shareholder, member, or beneficiary of a partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or estate 26 27 or trust qualifying for an income tax credit as an owner of

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1 agricultural assets under the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act 2 shall be equal to the partner's, shareholder's, member's, or 3 beneficiary's portion of the amount of tax credit distributed 4 pursuant to subsection (4) of section 77-5211; and.

5 (d) A nonrefundable credit for individuals or entities 6 who qualify for an income tax credit under the Agritourism 7 Insurance Act. Each partner, each shareholder of an electing 8 subchapter S corporation, each beneficiary of an estate or trust, 9 or each member of a limited liability company shall report his or 10 her share of the credit in the same manner and proportion as he or she reports the partnership, subchapter S corporation, estate, 11 12 trust, or limited liability company income.

13 (5) (a) For all taxable years beginning on or after 14 January 1, 2007, and before January 1, 2009, under the Internal 15 Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, there shall be allowed to each 16 partner, shareholder, member, or beneficiary of a partnership, 17 subchapter S corporation, limited liability company, or estate or trust a nonrefundable credit against the income tax imposed by 18 the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 equal to fifty percent of the 19 partner's, shareholder's, member's, or beneficiary's portion of the 20 21 amount of franchise tax paid to the state under sections 77-3801 to 22 77-3807 by a financial institution.

(b) For all taxable years beginning on or after January
1, 2009, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended,
there shall be allowed to each partner, shareholder, member, or
beneficiary of a partnership, subchapter S corporation, limited
liability company, or estate or trust a nonrefundable credit

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against the income tax imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967
 equal to the partner's, shareholder's, member's, or beneficiary's
 portion of the amount of franchise tax paid to the state under
 sections 77-3801 to 77-3807 by a financial institution.

5 (c) Each partner, shareholder, member, or beneficiary 6 shall report his or her share of the credit in the same manner 7 and proportion as he or she reports the partnership, subchapter S 8 corporation, limited liability company, or estate or trust income. 9 If any partner, shareholder, member, or beneficiary cannot fully 10 utilize the credit for that year, the credit may not be carried 11 forward or back.

Sec. 9. Section 77-2717, Reissue Revised Statutes of
Nebraska, is amended to read:

14 77-2717 (1)(a) The tax imposed on all resident estates 15 and trusts shall be a percentage of the federal taxable income of such estates and trusts as modified in section 77-2716, plus 16 17 a percentage of the federal alternative minimum tax and the 18 federal tax on premature or lump-sum distributions from qualified 19 retirement plans. The additional taxes shall be recomputed by (i) substituting Nebraska taxable income for federal taxable income, 20 21 (ii) calculating what the federal alternative minimum tax would 22 be on Nebraska taxable income and adjusting such calculations for 23 any items which are reflected differently in the determination of federal taxable income, and (iii) applying Nebraska rates to the 24 25 result. The federal credit for prior year minimum tax, after the 26 recomputations required by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, and 27 the credits provided in the Nebraska Advantage Microenterprise Tax

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1 Credit Act, and the Nebraska Advantage Research and Development 2 Act, and the Agritourism Insurance Act shall be allowed as a 3 reduction in the income tax due. A refundable income tax credit 4 shall be allowed for all resident estates and trusts under the 5 Nebraska Advantage Microenterprise Tax Credit Act and the Nebraska 6 Advantage Research and Development Act.

7 (b) The tax imposed on all nonresident estates and trusts 8 shall be the portion of the tax imposed on resident estates and 9 trusts which is attributable to the income derived from sources 10 within this state. The tax which is attributable to income derived from sources within this state shall be determined by multiplying 11 12 the liability to this state for a resident estate or trust with the same total income by a fraction, the numerator of which is 13 14 the nonresident estate's or trust's Nebraska income as determined by sections 77-2724 and 77-2725 and the denominator of which is 15 its total federal income after first adjusting each by the amounts 16 17 provided in section 77-2716. The federal credit for prior year 18 minimum tax, after the recomputations required by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, reduced by the percentage of the total income 19 which is attributable to income from sources outside this state, 20 21 and the credits provided in the Nebraska Advantage Microenterprise 22 Tax Credit Act, and the Nebraska Advantage Research and Development Act, and the Agritourism Insurance Act shall be allowed as a 23 reduction in the income tax due. A refundable income tax credit 24 25 shall be allowed for all nonresident estates and trusts under the 26 Nebraska Advantage Microenterprise Tax Credit Act and the Nebraska 27 Advantage Research and Development Act.

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(2) In all instances wherein a fiduciary income tax 1 2 return is required under the provisions of the Internal Revenue 3 Code, a Nebraska fiduciary return shall be filed, except that a 4 fiduciary return shall not be required to be filed regarding a 5 simple trust if all of the trust's beneficiaries are residents of the State of Nebraska, all of the trust's income is derived from 6 7 sources in this state, and the trust has no federal tax liability. 8 The fiduciary shall be responsible for making the return for the 9 estate or trust for which he or she acts, whether the income be 10 taxable to the estate or trust or to the beneficiaries thereof. 11 The fiduciary shall include in the return a statement of each 12 beneficiary's distributive share of net income when such income is 13 taxable to such beneficiaries.

14 (3) The beneficiaries of such estate or trust who are 15 residents of this state shall include in their income their proportionate share of such estate's or trust's federal income and 16 17 shall reduce their Nebraska tax liability by their proportionate share of the credits as provided in the Nebraska Advantage 18 Microenterprise Tax Credit Act, and the Nebraska Advantage Research 19 and Development Act, and the Agritourism Insurance Act. There shall 20 21 be allowed to a beneficiary a refundable income tax credit under 22 the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act for all taxable years beginning 23 or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2001, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. 24

25 (4) If any beneficiary of such estate or trust is a 26 nonresident during any part of the estate's or trust's taxable 27 year, he or she shall file a Nebraska income tax return which

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shall include (a) in Nebraska adjusted gross income that portion 1 2 of the estate's or trust's Nebraska income, as determined under sections 77-2724 and 77-2725, allocable to his or her interest 3 4 in the estate or trust and (b) a reduction of the Nebraska tax 5 liability by his or her proportionate share of the credits as 6 provided in the Nebraska Advantage Microenterprise Tax Credit Act, 7 and the Nebraska Advantage Research and Development Act, and the 8 Agritourism Insurance Act and shall execute and forward to the 9 fiduciary, on or before the original due date of the Nebraska 10 fiduciary return, an agreement which states that he or she will 11 file a Nebraska income tax return and pay income tax on all income 12 derived from or connected with sources in this state, and such agreement shall be attached to the Nebraska fiduciary return for 13 14 such taxable year.

15 (5) In the absence of the nonresident beneficiary's 16 executed agreement being attached to the Nebraska fiduciary return, 17 the estate or trust shall remit a portion of such beneficiary's income which was derived from or attributable to Nebraska sources 18 19 with its Nebraska return for the taxable year. The amount of remittance, in such instance, shall be the highest individual 20 income tax rate determined under section 77-2715.02 multiplied by 21 22 the nonresident beneficiary's share of the estate or trust income 23 which was derived from or attributable to sources within this state. The amount remitted shall be allowed as a credit against the 24 25 Nebraska income tax liability of the beneficiary.

26 (6) The Tax Commissioner may allow a nonresident27 beneficiary to not file a Nebraska income tax return if the

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nonresident beneficiary's only source of Nebraska income was his or 1 2 her share of the estate's or trust's income which was derived from 3 or attributable to sources within this state, the nonresident did 4 not file an agreement to file a Nebraska income tax return, and 5 the estate or trust has remitted the amount required by subsection (5) of this section on behalf of such nonresident beneficiary. The 6 7 amount remitted shall be retained in satisfaction of the Nebraska 8 income tax liability of the nonresident beneficiary.

9 (7) For purposes of this section, unless the context 10 otherwise requires, simple trust shall mean any trust instrument 11 which (a) requires that all income shall be distributed currently 12 to the beneficiaries, (b) does not allow amounts to be paid, permanently set aside, or used in the tax year for charitable 13 14 purposes, and (c) does not distribute amounts allocated in the 15 corpus of the trust. Any trust which does not qualify as a simple 16 trust shall be deemed a complex trust.

17 (8) For purposes of this section, any beneficiary of an 18 estate or trust that is a grantor trust of a nonresident shall be 19 disregarded and this section shall apply as though the nonresident 20 grantor was the beneficiary.

Sec. 10. Section 77-2734.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of
Nebraska, is amended to read:

23 77-2734.03 (1) (a) For taxable years commencing prior to 24 January 1, 1997, any (i) insurer paying a tax on premiums and 25 assessments pursuant to section 77-908 or 81-523, (ii) electric 26 cooperative organized under the Joint Public Power Authority Act, 27 or (iii) credit union shall be credited, in the computation of

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1 the tax due under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, with the 2 amount paid during the taxable year as taxes on such premiums and 3 assessments and taxes in lieu of intangible tax.

4 (b) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 5 1997, any insurer paying a tax on premiums and assessments pursuant to section 77-908 or 81-523, any electric cooperative organized 6 7 under the Joint Public Power Authority Act, or any credit union shall be credited, in the computation of the tax due under the 8 Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, with the amount paid during the 9 10 taxable year as (i) taxes on such premiums and assessments included 11 as Nebraska premiums and assessments under section 77-2734.05 and 12 (ii) taxes in lieu of intangible tax.

(c) For taxable years commencing or deemed to commence prior to, on, or after January 1, 1998, any insurer paying a tax on premiums and assessments pursuant to section 77-908 or 81-523 shall be credited, in the computation of the tax due under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, with the amount paid during the taxable year as assessments allowed as an offset against premium and related retaliatory tax liability pursuant to section 44-4233.

20 (2) There shall be allowed to corporate taxpayers a
21 tax credit for contributions to community betterment programs as
22 provided in the Community Development Assistance Act.

(3) There shall be allowed to corporate taxpayers a refundable income tax credit under the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act for all taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2001, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

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1 (4) The changes made to this section by Laws 2004, LB 2 983, apply to motor fuels purchased during any tax year ending 3 or deemed to end on or after January 1, 2005, under the Internal 4 Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

5 (5) There shall be allowed to corporate taxpayers 6 refundable income tax credits under the Nebraska Advantage 7 Microenterprise Tax Credit Act and the Nebraska Advantage Research 8 and Development Act.

9 (6) There shall be allowed to corporate taxpayers a
10 nonrefundable income tax credit for investment in a biodiesel
11 facility as provided in section 77-27,236.

12 <u>(7) There shall be allowed to corporate taxpayers a</u> 13 <u>nonrefundable income tax credit for small agritourism businesses as</u> 14 <u>provided in the Agritourism Insurance Act.</u>

Sec. 11. Original sections 77-2715.07, 77-2717, and
77-2734.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section
13-2704, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended by
section 8, Legislative Bill 3, One Hundred First Legislature, First
Special Session, 2009, are repealed.