## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

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## FIRST SESSION

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 129**

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Committee: Revenue

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section
- 2 77-2715.07, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016; to
- 3 increase the earned income tax credit; and to repeal the original
- 4 section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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- 1 Section 1. Section 77-2715.07, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 2 Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 3 77-2715.07 (1) There shall be allowed to qualified resident
- 4 individuals as a nonrefundable credit against the income tax imposed by
- 5 the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967:
- 6 (a) A credit equal to the federal credit allowed under section 22 of
- 7 the Internal Revenue Code; and
- 8 (b) A credit for taxes paid to another state as provided in section
- 9 77-2730.
- 10 (2) There shall be allowed to qualified resident individuals against
- 11 the income tax imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967:
- 12 (a) For returns filed reporting federal adjusted gross incomes of
- 13 greater than twenty-nine thousand dollars, a nonrefundable credit equal
- 14 to twenty-five percent of the federal credit allowed under section 21 of
- 15 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, except that for taxable
- 16 years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2015, such
- 17 nonrefundable credit shall be allowed only if the individual would have
- 18 received the federal credit allowed under section 21 of the code after
- 19 adding back in any carryforward of a net operating loss that was deducted
- 20 pursuant to such section in determining eligibility for the federal
- 21 credit;
- 22 (b) For returns filed reporting federal adjusted gross income of
- 23 twenty-nine thousand dollars or less, a refundable credit equal to a
- 24 percentage of the federal credit allowable under section 21 of the
- 25 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, whether or not the federal
- 26 credit was limited by the federal tax liability. The percentage of the
- 27 federal credit shall be one hundred percent for incomes not greater than
- 28 twenty-two thousand dollars, and the percentage shall be reduced by ten
- 29 percent for each one thousand dollars, or fraction thereof, by which the
- 30 reported federal adjusted gross income exceeds twenty-two thousand
- 31 dollars, except that for taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or

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- 1 after January 1, 2015, such refundable credit shall be allowed only if
- 2 the individual would have received the federal credit allowed under
- 3 section 21 of the code after adding back in any carryforward of a net
- 4 operating loss that was deducted pursuant to such section in determining
- 5 eligibility for the federal credit;
- 6 (c) A refundable credit as provided in section 77-5209.01 for
- 7 individuals who qualify for an income tax credit as a qualified beginning
- 8 farmer or livestock producer under the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act
- 9 for all taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1,
- 10 2006, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;
- 11 (d) A refundable credit for individuals who qualify for an income
- 12 tax credit under the Angel Investment Tax Credit Act, the Nebraska
- 13 Advantage Microenterprise Tax Credit Act, the Nebraska Advantage Research
- 14 and Development Act, or the Volunteer Emergency Responders Incentive Act;
- 15 and
- 16 (e)(i) (e) A refundable credit equal to:
- 17 (A) Ten ten percent of the federal credit allowed under section 32
- 18 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, <u>for taxa</u>ble years
- 19 beginning or deemed to begin before January 1, 2018;
- 20 (B) Eleven percent of the federal credit allowed under section 32 of
- 21 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for taxable years
- 22 <u>beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2018, and before</u>
- 23 <u>January 1, 2019; and</u>
- 24 (C) Twelve percent of the federal credit allowed under section 32 of
- 25 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for taxable years
- 26 <u>beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2019.</u>
- 27 (ii) For except that for taxable years beginning or deemed to begin
- 28 on or after January 1, 2015, the such refundable credit provided in
- 29 <u>subdivision (2)(e)(i) of this section</u> shall be allowed only if the
- 30 individual would have received the federal credit allowed under section
- 31 32 of the code after adding back in any carryforward of a net operating

- 1 loss that was deducted pursuant to such section in determining
- 2 eligibility for the federal credit.
- 3 (3) There shall be allowed to all individuals as a nonrefundable
- 4 credit against the income tax imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of
- 5 1967:
- 6 (a) A credit for personal exemptions allowed under section
- 7 77-2716.01;
- 8 (b) A credit for contributions to certified community betterment
- 9 programs as provided in the Community Development Assistance Act. Each
- 10 partner, each shareholder of an electing subchapter S corporation, each
- 11 beneficiary of an estate or trust, or each member of a limited liability
- 12 company shall report his or her share of the credit in the same manner
- 13 and proportion as he or she reports the partnership, subchapter S
- 14 corporation, estate, trust, or limited liability company income;
- 15 (c) A credit for investment in a biodiesel facility as provided in
- 16 section 77-27,236;
- 17 (d) A credit as provided in the New Markets Job Growth Investment
- 18 Act;
- 19 (e) A credit as provided in the Nebraska Job Creation and Mainstreet
- 20 Revitalization Act;
- 21 (f) A credit to employers as provided in section 77-27,238; and
- 22 (g) A credit as provided in the Affordable Housing Tax Credit Act.
- 23 (4) There shall be allowed as a credit against the income tax
- 24 imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967:
- 25 (a) A credit to all resident estates and trusts for taxes paid to
- another state as provided in section 77-2730;
- 27 (b) A credit to all estates and trusts for contributions to
- 28 certified community betterment programs as provided in the Community
- 29 Development Assistance Act; and
- 30 (c) A refundable credit for individuals who qualify for an income
- 31 tax credit as an owner of agricultural assets under the Beginning Farmer

- 1 Tax Credit Act for all taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or
- 2 after January 1, 2009, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as
- 3 amended. The credit allowed for each partner, shareholder, member, or
- 4 beneficiary of a partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or
- 5 estate or trust qualifying for an income tax credit as an owner of
- 6 agricultural assets under the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act shall be
- 7 equal to the partner's, shareholder's, member's, or beneficiary's portion
- 8 of the amount of tax credit distributed pursuant to subsection (4) of
- 9 section 77-5211.
- 10 (5)(a) For all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2007,
- 11 and before January 1, 2009, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as
- 12 amended, there shall be allowed to each partner, shareholder, member, or
- 13 beneficiary of a partnership, subchapter S corporation, limited liability
- 14 company, or estate or trust a nonrefundable credit against the income tax
- 15 imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 equal to fifty percent of the
- 16 partner's, shareholder's, member's, or beneficiary's portion of the
- 17 amount of franchise tax paid to the state under sections 77-3801 to
- 18 77-3807 by a financial institution.
- 19 (b) For all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2009,
- 20 under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, there shall be
- 21 allowed to each partner, shareholder, member, or beneficiary of a
- 22 partnership, subchapter S corporation, limited liability company, or
- 23 estate or trust a nonrefundable credit against the income tax imposed by
- 24 the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 equal to the partner's, shareholder's,
- 25 member's, or beneficiary's portion of the amount of franchise tax paid to
- 26 the state under sections 77-3801 to 77-3807 by a financial institution.
- 27 (c) Each partner, shareholder, member, or beneficiary shall report
- 28 his or her share of the credit in the same manner and proportion as he or
- 29 she reports the partnership, subchapter S corporation, limited liability
- 30 company, or estate or trust income. If any partner, shareholder, member,
- 31 or beneficiary cannot fully utilize the credit for that year, the credit

- 1 may not be carried forward or back.
- 2 (6) There shall be allowed to all individuals nonrefundable credits
- 3 against the income tax imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 as
- 4 provided in section 77-3604 and refundable credits against the income tax
- 5 imposed by the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 as provided in section
- 6 77-3605.
- 7 Sec. 2. Original section 77-2715.07, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 8 Supplement, 2016, is repealed.