## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

## ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

## SECOND SESSION

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 1025**

Introduced by Bolz, 29.

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Committee: Revenue

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Advantage Act; to amend
- 2 section 77-5701, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to create the
- 3 Tax Credit Buy-Back Program; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal
- 4 the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

- 1 Section 1. Section 77-5701, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 77-5701 Sections 77-5701 to 77-5735 and section 2 of this act shall
- 4 be known and may be cited as the Nebraska Advantage Act.
- 5 Sec. 2. (1) For purposes of this section:
- 6 (a) Department means the Department of Revenue; and
- 7 <u>(b) Tax credit means and includes the tax credits authorized in</u>
- 8 <u>subsections (3), (4), and (5) of section 77-5725.</u>
- 9 (2) The Tax Credit Buy-Back Program is created. The department shall
- 10 administer the program in accordance with this section. The purpose of
- 11 the program is to allow taxpayers to sell unused tax credits back to the
- 12 State of Nebraska. The state shall pay twenty-five cents for each one
- 13 <u>dollar of tax credits purchased under the program.</u>
- 14 (3) A taxpayer shall be eligible for the program if the taxpayer is
- 15 the owner of tax credits and the taxpayer offers to sell at least fifty
- 16 thousand dollars of tax credits back to the state.
- 17 (4) Any taxpayer wishing to participate in the program shall submit
- 18 an application to the department. The application shall include, but not
- 19 <u>be limited to:</u>
- 20 <u>(a) The name of the taxpayer;</u>
- 21 (b) The amount of tax credits that are eligible to be purchased
- 22 under the program as of the application date; and
- 23 <u>(c) The amount of such tax credits that the taxpayer wishes to sell</u>
- 24 to the state.
- 25 (5) The department shall accept applications for participation in
- 26 <u>the program for any year in which the Legislature has appropriated money</u>
- 27 <u>to the program.</u>
- 28 <u>(6) If a taxpayer meets the eligibility requirements of subsection</u>
- 29 (3) of this section, the department shall approve the application and
- 30 <u>shall notify the taxpayer of such approval.</u>
- 31 (7) The total amount of tax credits purchased for any year shall not

- 1 exceed the amount appropriated to the program for that year. If the total
- 2 <u>amount of tax credits requested to be purchased exceeds the appropriated</u>
- 3 <u>amount</u>, the department shall proportionally reduce the amount to be
- 4 purchased from each taxpayer so that the appropriated amount is not
- 5 <u>exceeded.</u>
- 6 Sec. 3. Original section 77-5701, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 7 Nebraska, is repealed.