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AN ACT

To repeal section 135.647, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to a tax credit for donations to food pantries.

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

Section A. Section 135.647, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 135.647, to read as follows:

135.647. 1. As used in this section, the following terms shall mean:

2 (1) "Local food pantry", any food pantry that is:

3 (a) Exempt from taxation under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue
4 Code of 1986, as amended; and

5 (b) Distributing emergency food supplies to Missouri low-income people
6 who would otherwise not have access to food supplies in the area in which the
7 taxpayer claiming the tax credit under this section resides;

8 (2) "Taxpayer", an individual, a firm, a partner in a firm, corporation, or
9 a shareholder in an S corporation doing business in this state and subject to the
10 state income tax imposed by chapter 143, excluding withholding tax imposed by
11 sections 143.191 to 143.265.

12 2. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2007, any taxpayer
13 who donates cash or food, unless such food is donated after the food's expiration
14 date, to any local food pantry shall be allowed a credit against the tax otherwise
15 due under chapter 143, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191
16 to 143.265, in an amount equal to fifty percent of the value of the donations made
17 to the extent such amounts that have been subtracted from federal adjusted gross
18 income or federal taxable income are added back in the determination of Missouri
19 adjusted gross income or Missouri taxable income before the credit can be

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

20 claimed. Each taxpayer claiming a tax credit under this section shall file an
21 affidavit with the income tax return verifying the amount of their
22 contributions. The amount of the tax credit claimed shall not exceed the amount
23 of the taxpayer's state tax liability for the tax year that the credit is claimed, and
24 shall not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars per taxpayer claiming the
25 credit. Any amount of credit that the taxpayer is prohibited by this section from
26 claiming in a tax year shall not be refundable, but may be carried forward to any
27 of the taxpayer's three subsequent taxable years. No tax credit granted under
28 this section shall be transferred, sold, or assigned. No taxpayer shall be eligible
29 to receive a credit pursuant to this section if such taxpayer employs persons who
30 are not authorized to work in the United States under federal law.

31 3. The cumulative amount of tax credits under this section which may be
32 allocated to all taxpayers contributing to a local food pantry in any one fiscal year
33 shall not exceed two million dollars. The director of revenue shall establish a
34 procedure by which the cumulative amount of tax credits is apportioned among
35 all taxpayers claiming the credit by April fifteenth of the fiscal year in which the
36 tax credit is claimed. To the maximum extent possible, the director of revenue
37 shall establish the procedure described in this subsection in such a manner as to
38 ensure that taxpayers can claim all the tax credits possible up to the cumulative
39 amount of tax credits available for the fiscal year.

40 4. Any local food pantry may accept or reject any donation of food made
41 under this section for any reason. For purposes of this section, any donations of
42 food accepted by a local food pantry shall be valued at fair market value, or at
43 wholesale value if the taxpayer making the donation of food is a retail grocery
44 store, food broker, wholesaler, or restaurant.

45 5. The department of revenue shall promulgate rules to implement the
46 provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined
47 in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section
48 shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the
49 provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and
50 chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general
51 assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to
52 disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the
53 grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28,
54 2007, shall be invalid and void.

55 6. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:

56 (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall
57 automatically sunset [four] **ten** years after August 28, [2007] **2012**, unless
58 reauthorized by an act of the general assembly; and

59 (2) [If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this
60 section shall automatically sunset twelve years after the effective date of the
61 reauthorization of this section; and

62 (3)] This section shall terminate on September first of the calendar year
63 immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under
64 this section is sunset.

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