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# SENATE BILL NO. 418

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CRAWFORD.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary

## AN ACT

To repeal section 137.1018, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to a tax credit for certain rolling stock.

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

Section A. Section 137.1018, RSMo, is repealed and one  
2 new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section  
3 137.1018, to read as follows:

137.1018. 1. The commission shall ascertain the  
2 statewide average rate of property taxes levied the  
3 preceding year, based upon the total assessed valuation of  
4 the railroad and street railway companies and the total  
5 property taxes levied upon the railroad and street railway  
6 companies. It shall determine total property taxes levied  
7 from reports prescribed by the commission from the railroad  
8 and street railway companies. Total taxes levied shall not  
9 include revenues from the surtax on subclass three real  
10 property.

11 2. The commission shall report its determination of  
12 average property tax rate for the preceding year, together  
13 with the taxable distributable assessed valuation of each  
14 freight line company for the current year to the director no  
15 later than October first of each year.

16 3. Taxes on property of such freight line companies  
17 shall be collected at the state level by the director on  
18 behalf of the counties and other local public taxing

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

19 entities and shall be distributed in accordance with  
20 sections 137.1021 and 137.1024. The director shall tax such  
21 property based upon the distributable assessed valuation  
22 attributable to Missouri of each freight line company, using  
23 the average tax rate for the preceding year of the railroad  
24 and street railway companies certified by the commission.  
25 Such tax shall be due and payable on or before December  
26 thirty-first of the year levied and, if it becomes  
27 delinquent, shall be subject to a penalty equal to that  
28 specified in section 140.100.

29 4. (1) As used in this subsection, the following  
30 terms mean:

31 (a) "Eligible expenses", expenses incurred in this  
32 state to manufacture, maintain, or improve a freight line  
33 company's qualified rolling stock;

34 (b) "Qualified rolling stock", any freight, stock,  
35 refrigerator, or other railcars subject to the tax levied  
36 under this section.

37 (2) For all taxable years beginning on or after  
38 January 1, 2009, a freight line company shall, subject to  
39 appropriation, be allowed a credit against the tax levied  
40 under this section for the applicable tax year. The tax  
41 credit amount shall be equal to the amount of eligible  
42 expenses incurred during the calendar year immediately  
43 preceding the tax year for which the credit under this  
44 section is claimed. The amount of the tax credit issued  
45 shall not exceed the freight line company's liability for  
46 the tax levied under this section for the tax year for which  
47 the credit is claimed.

48 (3) A freight line company may apply for the credit by  
49 submitting to the commission an application in the form  
50 prescribed by the state tax commission.

51           (4) Subject to appropriation, the state shall  
52 reimburse, on an annual basis, any political subdivision of  
53 this state for any decrease in revenue due to the provisions  
54 of this subsection.

55           5. Pursuant to section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset  
56 act:

57           (1) The program authorized under **subsection 4 of** this  
58 section shall expire on August 28, [2020] **2027**; and

59           (2) **Subsection 4 of** this section shall terminate on  
60 September 1, [2021] **2028**.

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