SENATE BILL NO. 1406

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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To amend chapter 620, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to incentives for converting a business to produce certain chemicals, gases, metals, and minerals.

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

Section A. Chapter 620, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 620.1641, to read as follows:

- 620.1641. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Missouri Defense and Energy Independence Act".
- 3 2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:
- 4 (1) "Department", the Missouri department of economic development;
- 6 (2) "Qualified amount", for a qualified company in a
 7 given tax year, a portion of such qualified company's
 8 qualified conversion costs, subject to the limitations
 9 provided in this section;
- 10 (3) "Qualified company", a firm, partnership, joint
 11 venture, association, private or public corporation
 12 regardless of whether organized for profit, or headquarters
- 13 of such entity registered to do business in Missouri, that
- 14 is a nontraditional defense contractor, as such term is
- 15 defined in 10 U.S.C. Section 3014, as amended, and that
- 16 incurs qualified conversion costs;

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- 17 (4) "Qualified conversion costs", costs a qualified
- 18 company incurs in converting such company to produce
- 19 chemicals, metals, gases, or rare earth minerals that will
- 20 be used for projects designed to decrease or eliminate
- 21 reliance on foreign-produced chemicals, metals, gases, or
- 22 rare earth minerals used in the production of energy
- 23 projects or Department of Defense or successor agency
- 24 projects;
- 25 (5) "Tax credit", tax credits issued by the department
- 26 to offset the state taxes imposed by chapters 143 and 148,
- 27 excluding the withholding tax imposed under sections 143.191
- 28 to 143.265.
- 3. (1) For all tax years beginning on or after
- 30 January 1, 2027, a qualified company shall be allowed to
- 31 claim a tax credit against the qualified company's state tax
- 32 liability in an amount equal to the qualified company's
- 33 qualified amount, subject to the limitations provided in
- 34 this subsection.
- 35 (2) The total qualified amount a qualified company
- 36 shall be allowed to claim under this section shall not
- 37 exceed fifteen percent of the cumulative amount of tax
- 38 credits allowed under subsection 4 of this section. One-
- 39 fourth of such total qualified amount a qualified company is
- 40 eligible to receive shall be issued in each of the four tax
- 41 years immediately following the tax year for which the
- 42 qualified company claimed the tax credit.
- 43 4. The cumulative amount of tax credits allowed to all
- 44 taxpayers under this section shall not exceed forty million
- 45 dollars per tax year. If the amount of tax credits claimed
- 46 in a tax year under this section exceeds forty million
- 47 dollars, tax credits shall be allowed based on the order in
- 48 which they are claimed.

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5. (1) Tax credits issued under the provisions of this section shall not be refundable.

51 (2) No tax credit claimed under this section shall be 52 carried forward to any subsequent tax year.

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- 53 (3) Tax credits claimed pursuant to this section may 54 be assigned, transferred, sold, or otherwise conveyed.
- 55 (1) There is hereby created in the state treasury 56 the "Grants for Independence from Foreign Influence Fund", 57 which shall consist of at least ten million dollars 58 appropriated by the general assembly and any gifts, contributions, grants, or bequests received from federal, 59 60 private, or other sources. The state treasurer shall be 61 custodian of the fund. In accordance with sections 30.170 62 and 30.180, the state treasurer may approve disbursements. 63 The fund shall be a dedicated fund and, upon appropriation, 64 moneys in the fund shall be used solely as provided in 65 subsection 7 of this section.
- 66 (2) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 33.080 67 to the contrary, any moneys remaining in the fund at the end 68 of the biennium shall not revert to the credit of the 69 general revenue fund.
- 70 (3) The state treasurer shall invest moneys in the 71 fund in the same manner as other funds are invested. Any 72 interest and moneys earned on such investments shall be 73 credited to the fund.
- 7. (1) The department shall develop and implement
 grants for independence from foreign influence as provided
 in this subsection.
- 77 (2) The department shall establish procedures for the 78 solicitation, evaluation, and approval of grant applications 79 received from a qualified company. A qualified company may 80 submit a grant application for the award of moneys for

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qualified conversion costs incurred by the qualified company as provided in this subsection.

- (3) The department shall evaluate each application and approve or reject such application. Subject to appropriations, upon approval of an application, the department shall administer a grant award of moneys from the grants for independence from foreign influence fund in an amount not to exceed five hundred thousand dollars per grant application.
- 90 (4) Moneys granted to a qualified company under this 91 section shall be used solely for qualified conversion costs 92 incurred before the completion of the conversion of the 93 qualified company.
- 94 The department shall promulgate all necessary rules 95 and regulations for the administration of this section including, but not limited to, rules relating to the 96 97 verification of a qualified company's qualified amount and 98 qualified conversion costs. Any rule or portion of a rule, 99 as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created 100 under the authority delegated in this section shall become 101 effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of 102 the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 103 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and 104 if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective 105 106 date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently 107 held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking 108 authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 109 2026, shall be invalid and void.
- 9. Pursuant to section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:

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- (1) The program authorized pursuant to this section shall automatically sunset six years after the effective date of this section unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly;
- 116 (2) This section shall terminate on September first of 117 the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in 118 which the program authorized pursuant to this section is 119 sunset; and
 - (3) The provisions of this subsection shall not be construed to impair or impede the state's fulfillment of any obligations, including the authorization, issuance, or redemption of tax credits, incurred pursuant to this section prior to the date the program authorized pursuant to this section is sunset.

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