SENATE BILL NO. 1443

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR BURGER.

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KRISTINA MARTIN, Secretary

AN ACT

To amend chapter 620, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a tax credit for certain capital investments.

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 620.2012, to read as

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- 620.2012. 1. In exchange for the consideration
- 2 provided by the new tax revenues and other economic stimuli
- 3 that will be generated by the creation or retention of jobs
- 4 and the making of new capital investment in this state, a
- 5 qualified company may be eligible to receive the tax credits
- 6 described in this section if:
- 7 (1) The department makes, and the qualified company 8 accepts, a proposal for benefits that includes tax credits
- 9 authorized by this section; and
- 10 (2) The qualified company will expend at least fifty
 11 million dollars in new capital investment for the project no
 12 later than two years after the date of the notice of intent.
- 13 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivision (29)
- of subsection 1 of section 620.2005 to the contrary, a data
- 15 storage center as defined in subdivision (4) of subsection 1
- of section 144.810 shall not be eligible to be a qualified

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17 company for the purposes of the tax credits authorized under 18 this section.

- 3. A qualified company that intends to seek the benefits authorized under this section shall submit to the department a notice of intent. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 1 of section 620.2020 to the contrary, a notice of intent from a qualified company that did not receive and accept a proposal of benefits for tax credits under this section shall be ineligible for the tax credits under this section. The department shall respond within thirty days to a notice of intent with an approval or a rejection, provided that the department may withhold approval or provide a contingent approval until it is satisfied that proper documentation of eligibility has been provided. A failure of the department to respond within thirty days shall not result in the notice of intent being deemed approved.
- 4. The tax credits authorized by this section shall not exceed two and one-half percent of the new capital investment made at the project facility during the three-year period beginning upon the date of the notice of intent. No new capital investment incurred prior to the date of the notice of intent shall be eligible for tax credits under this section.
- Tax credits authorized by this section shall be included in and subject to the limitations on the maximum amount of tax credits that may be authorized in a fiscal year as provided in subdivision (1) of subsection 7 of section 620.2020. The provisions of subsection 9 of section 620.2020 shall also apply to tax credits authorized pursuant to this section, except that any authorization of tax credits under this section shall expire if, within two years

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from the date of the notice of intent for the project, the qualified company has failed to meet the minimum required new capital investment as required in subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of this section.

- 6. The amount of tax credits proposed and awarded to a qualified company under this section shall not exceed the least amount necessary to obtain the qualified company's commitment to initiate the project. In determining the amount of tax credits to include in a proposal for benefits to a qualified company under this section, the department shall consider the following factors:
- 60 (1) The significance of the qualified company's need 61 for program benefits;
 - (2) The overall size and quality of the proposed project, including the number of jobs created or retained, new capital investment, proposed wages for such jobs, growth potential of the qualified company, and similar factors;
- 66 (3) The financial stability and creditworthiness of 67 the qualified company;
 - (4) The level of economic distress in the area;
- (5) An evaluation of the competitiveness of alternative locations for the project facility, as applicable; and
 - (6) The percent of local incentives committed.
 - 7. Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection 3 of section 620.2020 to the contrary, a qualified company receiving benefits under this section shall provide an annual report of the number of jobs created or retained, and wage information for such jobs, new capital investment, and such other information as may be required by the department to document the basis for program benefits no later than ninety days prior to the end of the qualified company's tax

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- 81 year immediately following the tax year for which the
- 82 benefits provided under this section are attributed.
- 83 Failure to timely file the annual report required under this
- 84 section may result in the forfeiture of tax credits
- 85 attributable to the year for which the reporting was
- 86 required.
- 87 8. Upon approval of a notice of intent to receive tax
- 88 credits under subsection 3 of this section, the department
- 89 and the qualified company shall enter into a written
- 90 agreement covering the applicable project period. The
- 91 agreement shall specify, at a minimum:
- 92 The committed number of jobs created or retained,
- 93 wages for such jobs, and new capital investment for each
- 94 year during the project period;
- 95 The terms and conditions upon the issuance of tax
- credits, which, notwithstanding subsection 4 of section 96
- 97 620.2020 to the contrary, shall be issued no sooner than
- 98 when the qualified company files its first annual report
- 99 required under subsection 3 of section 620.2020 after making
- 100 the minimum required new capital investment as set forth in
- 101 subdivision (2) of subsection 1 of this section;
- 102 (3) Clawback provisions, as may be required by the
- 103 department; and

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- 104 (4) Any other provisions the department may require.
- 9. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the
- 106 contrary, any qualified company that is awarded tax credits
- 107 under this section shall not simultaneously receive benefits
- 108 under sections 135.100 to 135.155, 620.2010, or 620.2015 for
- 109 the same jobs, wages, or new capital investment that
- 110 qualified for tax credits under this section.