GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA SESSION 2001

SENATE BILL 767

Sponsors:Senator Reeves.Referred to:Finance.

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| 1 | A BILL TO BE ENTITLED |
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| 2 | AN ACT TO CREATE A TAX CREDIT FOR PROVIDING INFORMATION |
| 3 | TECHNOLOGY TRAINING FOR EMPLOYEES. |
| 4 | The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: |
| 5 | SECTION 1. Article 3A of Chapter 105 of the General Statutes is amended |
| 6 | by adding a new section to read: |
| 7 | "§ 105-129.11A. Credit for employee information technology training. |
| 8 | (a) Definition. – As used in this section, 'information technology' has the same |
| 9 | meaning as in G.S. 147-33.81. |
| 10 | (b) Credit. – A taxpayer that provides information technology training for its |
| 11 | employees during the taxable year is allowed a credit equal to the sum of the wages paid |
| 12 | to the employee during the training and the instructional costs of the training. Wages |
| 13 | paid to an employee performing his or her job while being trained are not eligible for |
| 14 | the credit. The credit allowed under this section may not exceed one thousand five |
| 15 | hundred dollars (\$1,500) per employee trained during the taxable year. This credit is not |
| 16 | allowed for expenditures that are paid or reimbursed by a governmental entity. |
| 17 | (c) No Double Credit. – A taxpayer that claims any other credit allowed under |
| 18 | this Chapter with respect to employee training may not take the credit allowed in this |
| 19 | section with respect to the same employee training." |
| 20 | SECTION 2. G.S. 105-129.4(b) reads as rewritten: |
| 21 | "(b) Wage Standard. – A taxpayer is eligible for the credit for creating jobs orjobs, |
| 22 | the credit for worker training training, or the credit for employee information |
| 23 | technology training if the jobs for which the credit is claimed meet the wage standard at |
| 24 | the time the taxpayer applies for the credit. A taxpayer is eligible for the credit for |
| 25 | investing in machinery and equipment, the credit for research and development, or the |
| 26 | credit for investing in real property for a central office or aircraft facility if the jobs at |
| 27 | the location with respect to which the credit is claimed meet the wage standard at the |
| 28 | time the taxpayer applies for the credit. Jobs meet the wage standard if they pay an |

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1 average weekly wage that is at least equal to the applicable percentage times the 2 applicable average weekly wage for the county in which the jobs will be located, as 3 computed by the Secretary of Commerce from data compiled by the Employment 4 Security Commission for the most recent period for which data are available. The 5 applicable percentage for jobs located in an enterprise tier one area is one hundred 6 percent (100%). The applicable percentage for all other jobs is one hundred ten percent 7 (110%). The applicable average weekly wage is the lowest of the following: (i) the 8 average wage for all insured private employers in the county, (ii) the average wage for 9 all insured private employers in the State, and (iii) the average wage for all insured 10 private employers in the county multiplied by the county income/wage adjustment 11 factor. The county income/wage adjustment factor is the county income/wage ratio 12 divided by the State income/wage ratio. The county income/wage ratio is average per 13 capita income in the county divided by the annualized average wage for all insured 14 private employers in the county. The State income/wage ratio is the average per capita 15 income in the State divided by the annualized average wage for all insured private 16 employers in the State."

17 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective for taxable years beginning on or after 18 January 1, 2002.