MICHIGAN BUSINESS TAX ACT (EXCERPT) Act 36 of 2007

***** 208.1409.new THIS NEW SECTION IS EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008; THIS NEW SECTION IS ALSO AMENDED EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008: See 208.1409.amended *****

208.1409.new Infield renovation, grandstand and infrastructure upgrades; tax credit; limitations; capital expenditures; definitions.

Sec. 409. (1) For tax years that begin on or after January 1, 2008 and end before January 1, 2013, an eligible taxpayer may claim a credit against the tax imposed by this act equal to the amount of capital expenditures on infield renovation, grandstand and infrastructure upgrades, and any other construction and upgrades, subject to the following:

- (a) For the 2008 through 2010 tax years, the credit shall not exceed \$1,700,000.00 or the taxpayer's tax liability under this act, whichever is less.
- (b) For the 2011 tax year, the credit shall not exceed \$1,180,000.00 or the taxpayer's tax liability under this act, whichever is less.
- (c) For the 2012 tax year, the credit shall not exceed \$650,000.00 or the taxpayer's tax liability under this act, whichever is less.
- (2) An eligible taxpayer shall expend at least \$25,000,000.00 on capital expenditures before January 1, 2011.
 - (3) As used in this section:
 - (a) "Eligible taxpayer" means any of the following:
- (i) A person who owns and operates a motorsports entertainment complex and has at least 2 days of motor sports events each calendar year which shall be comparable to NASCAR Nextel cup events held in 2007 or their successor events.
- (ii) A person who is the lessee and operator of a motorsports entertainment complex or the lessee of the land on which a motorsports entertainment complex is located and operates that motorsports entertainment complex.
- (iii) A person who operates and maintains a motorsports entertainment complex under an operation and management agreement.
- (b) "Motorsports entertainment complex" means a closed-course motorsports facility, and its ancillary grounds and facilities, that satisfies all of the following:
 - (i) Has at least 70,000 fixed seats for race patrons.
 - (ii) Has at least 6 scheduled days of motorsports events each calendar year.
- (iii) Serves food and beverages at the motorsports entertainment complex during motorsports events each calendar year through concession outlets, which are staffed by individuals who represent or are members of 1 or more nonprofit civic or charitable organizations that directly benefit from the concession outlets' sales.
 - (iv) Engages in tourism promotion.
- (v) Has permanent exhibitions of motorsports history, events, or vehicles within the motorsports entertainment complex.
- (c) "Motorsports event" means a motorsports race and its ancillary activities that have been sanctioned by a sanctioning body.
- (d) "Sanctioning body" means the American motorcycle association (AMA); auto racing club of America (ARCA); championship auto racing teams (CART); grand American road racing association (GRAND AM); Indy racing league (IRL); national association for stock car auto racing (NASCAR); national hot rod association (NHRA); professional sports car racing (PSR); sports car club of America (SCCA); United States auto club (USAC); Michigan state promoters association; or any successor organization or any other nationally or internationally recognized governing body of motorsports that establishes an annual schedule of motorsports events and grants rights to conduct the events, that has established and administers rules and regulations governing all participants involved in the events and all persons conducting the events, and that requires certain liability assurances, including insurance.

History: 2007, Act 36, Eff. Jan. 1, 2008.

Compiler's note: Enacting section 1 of Act 36 of 2007 provides:

"Enacting section 1. This act takes effect January 1, 2008 and applies to all business activity occurring after December 31, 2007."

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