MICHIGAN BUSINESS TAX ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 36 of 2007

***** 208.1433.new THIS NEW SECTION IS EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008 *****

208.1433.new Business located in renaissance zone; tax credit; tax liability attributable to illegal activity; duration of credit; refund; employment or compensation to state employee member of state administrative board or renaissance zone review board prohibited; filing of annual return; business activity related to casino; definitions.

Sec. 433. (1) A taxpayer that is a business located and conducting business activity within a renaissance zone may claim a credit against the tax imposed by this act for the tax year to the extent and for the duration provided pursuant to the Michigan renaissance zone act, 1996 PA 376, MCL 125.2681 to 125.2696, equal to the lesser of the following:

(a) The tax liability attributable to business activity conducted within a renaissance zone in the tax year.

(b) Ten percent of adjusted services performed in a designated renaissance zone.

(c) For a taxpayer located and conducting business activity in a renaissance zone before December 31, 2002, the product of the following:

(*i*) The credit claimed under section 39b of former 1975 PA 228 for the tax year ending in 2007.

(*ii*) The ratio of the taxpayer's payroll in this state in the tax year divided by the taxpayer's payroll in this state in its tax year ending in 2007 under former 1975 PA 228.

(*iii*) The ratio of the taxpayer's renaissance zone business activity factor for the tax year divided by the taxpayer's renaissance zone business activity factor for its tax year ending in 2007 under section 39b of former 1975 PA 228.

(2) Any portion of the taxpayer's tax liability that is attributable to illegal activity conducted in the renaissance zone shall not be used to calculate a credit under this section.

(3) The credit allowed under this section continues through the tax year in which the renaissance zone designation expires.

(4) If the amount of the credit allowed under this section exceeds the tax liability of the taxpayer for the tax year, that portion of the credit that exceeds the tax liability shall not be refunded.

(5) A taxpayer that claims a credit under this section shall not employ, pay a speaker fee to, or provide any remuneration, compensation, or consideration to any person employed by the state, the state administrative board created in 1921 PA 2, MCL 17.1 to 17.3, or the renaissance zone review board created in 1996 PA 376, MCL 125.2681 to 125.2696, whose employment relates or related in any way to the authorization or enforcement of the credit allowed under this section for any year in which the taxpayer claims a credit under this section and for the 3 years after the last year that a credit is claimed.

(6) To be eligible for the credit allowed under this section, an otherwise qualified taxpayer shall file an annual return under this act in a format determined by the department.

(7) Any portion of the taxpayer's tax liability that is attributable to business activity related to the operation of a casino, and business activity that is associated or affiliated with the operation of a casino, including, but not limited to, the operation of a parking lot, hotel, motel, or retail store, shall not be used to calculate a credit under this section.

(8) As used in this section:

(a) "Adjusted services performed in a designated renaissance zone" means either of the following:

(*i*) Except as provided in subparagraph (*ii*), the sum of the taxpayer's payroll for services performed in a designated renaissance zone plus an amount equal to the amount deducted in arriving at federal taxable income for the tax year for depreciation, amortization, or immediate or accelerated write-off for tangible property exempt under section 7ff of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7ff, in the tax year or, for new property, in the immediately following tax year.

(*ii*) For a partnership, limited liability company, S corporation, or individual, the amount determined under subparagraph (*i*) plus the product of the following as related to the taxpayer if greater than zero:

(A) Business income.

(B) The ratio of the taxpayer's total sales in this state during the tax year divided by the taxpayer's total sales everywhere during the tax year.

(C) The renaissance zone business activity factor.

(b) "Casino" means a casino regulated by this state pursuant to the Michigan gaming control and revenue act, the Initiated Law of 1996, MCL 432.201 to 432.226.

(c) "New property" means property that has not been subject to, or exempt from, the collection of taxes under the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.157, and has not been subject to, or

exempt from, ad valorem property taxes levied in another state, except that receiving an exemption as inventory property does not disqualify property.

(d) "Payroll" means total salaries and wages before deducting any personal or dependency exemptions.

(e) "Renaissance zone" means that term as defined in the Michigan renaissance zone act, 1996 PA 376, MCL 125.2681 to 125.2696.

(f) "Renaissance zone business activity factor" means a fraction, the numerator of which is the ratio of the average value of the taxpayer's property located in a designated renaissance zone to the average value of the taxpayer's property in this state plus the ratio of the taxpayer's payroll for services performed in a designated renaissance zone to all of the taxpayer's payroll in this state and the denominator of which is 2.

(g) "Tax liability attributable to business activity conducted within a renaissance zone" means the taxpayer's tax liability multiplied by the renaissance zone business activity factor.

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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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