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HOUSE BILL No. 2105

By Committee on Taxation

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AN ACT concerning income taxation; relating to withholding taxes;
establishing withholding requirements for certain employees who work
in multiple states; determination of employer penalties.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

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Section 1. (a) As used in this section:

7 (1) "Certain public figures" means persons of prominence who 8 perform services for wages or other remuneration on a per-event basis, 9 provided that the wages or other remuneration are paid to such person for 10 services provided at a discrete event, in the nature of a speech, public 11 appearance or similar event.

12 (2) "Employee" means the same as defined in K.S.A. 79-3295, and 13 amendments thereto, except that the term "employee" does not include a 14 professional athlete, professional entertainer, qualified production 15 employee or certain public figures.

16 (3) "Employer" means the same as defined in K.S.A. 79-3295, and 17 amendments thereto.

(4) "Professional athlete" means a person who performs services in a
professional athletic event, provided that the wages or other remuneration
are paid to such person for performing services in the person's capacity as
a professional athlete.

(5) "Professional entertainer" means a person of prominence who performs services in the professional performing arts for wages or other remuneration on a per-event basis, provided that the wages or other remuneration are paid to such person for performing services in the person's capacity as a professional entertainer.

27 (6) "Oualified production employee" means a person who performs 28 production services of any nature directly in connection with a qualified, 29 certified or approved film, television or other commercial video 30 production for wages or other remuneration, provided that the wages or 31 other remuneration paid to such person are qualified production costs or 32 expenditures under such qualified, certified or approved film incentive 33 program and that such wages or other remuneration must be subject to 34 withholding under such film incentive program as a condition to treating 35 such wages or other remuneration as a qualified production cost or 36 expenditure.

"Time and attendance system" means a system in which: (7)

2 (A) The employee is required on a contemporaneous basis to record such employee's work location for every day worked outside of the state in 3 which the employee's employment duties are primarily performed; and 4

(B) the system is designed to allow the employer to allocate the 5 6 employee's wages or other remuneration for income tax purposes among 7 all states in which the employee performs employment duties for such 8 employer.

9 (8) "Wages or other remuneration" includes wages and payment other than wages as such terms are defined in K.S.A. 79-3295, and amendments 10 11 thereto

12 (b) No part of the wages or other remuneration earned by the employee who performs employment duties in more than one state shall be 13 subject to income tax in any state other than: 14

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(1) The state of the employee's residence; or

16 (2) the state that the employee is present and performing employment 17 duties for more than 30 days during the calendar year that the wages or 18 other remuneration is earned and the nonresident employee's state of 19 residence:

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(A) Provides a substantially similar exclusion;

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(B) does not impose an individual income tax; or 22 (C) the employee's income is exempt from taxation by the state of Kansas pursuant to the United States constitution or other federal law.

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(c) Wages or other remuneration earned in any calendar year shall not 24 25 be subject to Kansas income tax withholding and reporting requirements unless the employee is subject to income tax in Kansas pursuant to 26 subsection (b). Income tax withholding and reporting requirements under 27 28 subsection (b)(2) shall apply to wages or other remuneration earned as of 29 the commencement date of employment duties in the state during the 30 calendar year.

31 (d) Except as provided in subsection (b), an employee is considered 32 present and performing employment duties within a state for a day if the 33 employee performs more of the employee's employment duties within such 34 state than in any other state during a day.

35 (e) If an employee performs employment duties in Kansas and in only one nonresident state during one day, such employee shall be considered to 36 37 have performed more of the employee's employment duties in the 38 nonresident state than in Kansas on such day.

(f) For purposes of this section, the portion of the day during which 39 the employee is in transit shall not be considered in determining the 40 41 location of an employee's performance of employment duties.

42 (g) For purposes of determining penalties related to an employer's 43 income tax withholding and reporting requirements:

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1 (1) An employer may rely on an employee's annual determination of 2 the time expected to be spent by such employee in the states in which the 3 employee will perform duties absent:

4 (A) The employer's actual knowledge of fraud by the employee in 5 making the determination; or

6 (B) collusion between the employer and the employee to evade the 7 tax;

8 (2) except as provided in paragraph (3), if records are maintained by 9 an employer in the regular course of business that record the location of an 10 employee, such records shall not preclude an employer's ability to rely on 11 an employee's determination under paragraph (1); and

12 (3) notwithstanding paragraph (2), if an employer, at its sole 13 discretion, maintains a time and attendance system that tracks where the 14 employee performs duties on a daily basis, data from the time and 15 attendance system shall be used instead of the employee's determination 16 under paragraph (1).

(h) This section shall be a part of and supplemental to the Kansaswithholding and declaration of estimated tax act.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after itspublication in the statute book.