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By Committee on Taxation

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9 AN ACT concerning the Kansas investments in major products and com-10 prehensive training act (IMPACT); amending K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 74-50,103, 74-50,104, 74-50,107 and 74-50,108 and repealing the existing 11 12sections. 13 14Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas: 15 Section 1. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 74-50,103 is hereby amended to read 16as follows: 74-50,103. As used in the IMPACT act unless the context 17clearly requires otherwise: 18(a) "Act" means the Kansas investments in major projects and com-19prehensive training act. 20(b) "Agreement" means the agreement among an employer, an ed-21ucational institution and the secretary of commerce concerning a SKILL 22 project or a combined SKILL project and major project investment and 23 the agreement between an employer and the secretary of commerce con-24 cerning a major project investment. 25"Bond" means a public purpose bond issued for IMPACT projects (c) 26by the Kansas development finance authority. 27 "Date of commencement of the project" means the date of the (d) 28agreement. 29 (e) "Educational institution" means a community college, as defined 30 by K.S.A. 71-701, and amendments thereto, an area vocational school or 31area vocational-technical school, as defined by K.S.A. 72-4412, and 32 amendments thereto, a university, as defined by K.S.A. 72-6501, and 33 amendments thereto, a state educational institution, as defined by K.S.A. 34 76-711, and amendments thereto, or a technical college as established by 35 K.S.A. 72-4468, and amendments thereto. 36 "Employee" means a person employed in a new or retained job. (f) 37 (g) "Employer" means a Kansas basic enterprise providing new jobs 38 or retaining existing jobs in conjunction with a project. 39 "IMPACT program" or "program" means the major project in-(h) 40 vestments and SKILL projects undertaken by the department of com-41merce in accordance with the provisions of this act for a new or expanding 42Kansas basic enterprise. (i) "IMPACT project" or "project" means a SKILL project, major 43

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1 project investment or a combination of the two.

2 (j) "Kansas basic enterprise" means any enterprise:

(1) Which is located or principally based in Kansas; and

4 (2) which can provide demonstrable evidence that:

5 (A) It is primarily engaged in any one or more of the Kansas basic 6 industries; or

(B) it is primarily engaged in the development or production of goodsor the provision of services for out-of-state sale; or

9 (C) it is primarily engaged in the production of goods or the provision 10 of services which will attract out-of-state buyers or consumers into the 11 state; or

(D) it is primarily engaged in the production of raw materials, ingredients, or components for other enterprises which export the majority of
their products from the state; or

(E) it is a national or regional enterprise which is primarily engaged
in interstate commerce or an affiliated management company of such an
enterprise; or

(F) it is primarily engaged in the production of goods or the provision
of services which will supplant goods or services which would be imported
into the state; or

(G) it is the corporate or regional headquarters of a multistate enter prise which is primarily engaged in out-of-state industrial activities.

23 (k) "Kansas basic industry" means:

24 (1) Agriculture;

25 (2) mining;

26 (3) manufacturing;

27 (4) interstate transportation;

(5) wholesale trade which is primarily multistate in activity or whichhas a major import supplanting effect within the state;

30 (6) financial services which are provided primarily for interstate or 31 international transactions;

32 (7) business services which are provided primarily in out-of-state 33 markets;

(8) research and development of new products, processes, or tech-nologies; or

(9) tourism activities which are primarily engaged in for the purposeof attracting out-of-state tourists.

38 (l) "Major project investment" or "investment" means financial assis-

39 tance to an employer to defray business costs including, but not limited

40 to, relocation expenses, building and equipment purchases, labor recruit-41 ment and job retention.

42 (m) "New job" means a job in a new or expanding Kansas basic en-43 terprise not including jobs of recalled workers, or existing jobs that are vacant or other jobs that formerly existed in the Kansas basic enterprise
 in Kansas.

3 (n) "Primarily engaged" means engagement in an activity by an en-4 terprise to the extent that not less than 51% of the gross income of the 5 enterprise is derived from such engagement.

(o) "Program costs" means costs of program services and includes all 6 7 necessary and incidental costs of providing program services, except that 8 program costs shall not include: (1) Any wages paid to persons receiving 9 education or training under a project, (2) any costs for purchase or lease of training equipment that exceed 50% of total program costs for the 10 project, (3) any costs for administrative expenses that exceed 10% of total 11 program costs for the project, and (4) any costs for direct investments in 1213 education and related workforce development institutions, for improvements to workforce development, human capital, training expertise and 1415infrastructure that exceed 10% of total program costs.

16 (p) "Program services" means:

17 (1) New jobs training, including training development costs, except
18 that the actual training period for any new job shall not exceed 36 months
19 from the date the job is first filled by an employee;

20 (2) adult basic education and job-related instruction;

21 (3) vocational and skill-assessment services and testing;

22 (4) training equipment for education institutions;

23 (5) material and supplies;

24 (6) administrative expenses of educational institutions for new jobs25 training programs;

26 (7) subcontracted services with other educational institutions, private 27 colleges or universities or other federal, state or local agencies;

28 (8) contracted or professional service;

29 (9) major project investments; and

(10) direct investments in educational and related workforce devel opment institutions, for improvements to workforce development, human
 capital, training expertise and infrastructure.

(q) "Retained job" means an existing job which will be lost without
participation by the employer under the provisions of the IMPACT
program.

36 (r) "Secretary" means the secretary of commerce.

(s) "SKILL project" means a training arrangement which is the subject of an agreement entered into between the educational institution and
an employer to provide program services.

40 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 74-50,104 is hereby amended to read as 41 follows: 74-50,104. (a) The secretary shall administer the provisions of 42 this act and the IMPACT program established thereunder. The secretary

43 shall encourage Kansas basic enterprises with similar training needs to

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1 cooperate in establishing SKILL projects. The secretary shall coordinate the SKILL program with other job training programs administered by 2 3 the department of commerce. The secretary shall provide opportunities for coordination and cooperation of SKILL projects with other job train-4 ing activities in Kansas. Subject to the limitation in K.S.A. 74-50,103, the $\mathbf{5}$ secretary shall be authorized to make direct investments in educational 6 7 and related workforce development institutions, for the purpose of pro-8 moting improvements in workforce development, human capital, training 9 expertise, infrastructure and job retention.

(b) The secretary shall adopt rules and regulations as follows: (1) Pre-10scribing review standards and priorities for approval of proposed agree-11 12ments under this act, including appropriate incentives for cooperation 13 among projects, in order to maximize the number of new jobs created or retained with respect to individual Kansas basic enterprises, which will 1415remain in Kansas, and (2) prescribing limits on program costs and on 16project and program size in relation to the number of new jobs created and wages of new or retained jobs. Prior to July 1, 2008, no agreement 1718shall be approved which provides for program costs of a project under 19the agreement of more than 95% of the amount equal to the estimated 20rate of withholding tax applied to the estimated amount of gross wages 21of all the new or retained jobs under the project over a ten-year period.

(c) Notice of the approval of a project or program and an annual report of the number of jobs created or retained under the IMPACT act shall be provided to the chairpersons of the senate committee on commerce and the committee on economic development of the house of representatives.

(d) The secretary may adopt such other rules and regulations as maybe required for the implementation and administration of this act.

29 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 74-50,107 is hereby amended to read as 30 follows: 74-50,107. (a) The secretary shall determine and from time to 31 time shall redetermine the rate at which moneys shall be credited to the 32 IMPACT program repayment fund in order to satisfy all bond repayment obligations which have been incurred to finance program costs for IM-33 34 PACT programs, which shall be referred to as the debt service rate, and 35 the rate at which moneys shall be credited to the IMPACT program services fund in order to finance program costs that are not financed by 36 37 bonds, which shall be referred to as the direct funding rate. The total of 38 the debt service rate and the direct funding rate shall be the combined 39 rate. Each rate so determined shall be certified to the secretary of reve-40 nue. The combined rate determined under this subsection shall not exceed 2%. 41

42 (b) Upon receipt of the rates determined and certified under sub-43 section (a), the secretary of revenue shall apply daily the combined rate to that portion of the moneys withheld from the wages of individuals and collected under the Kansas withholding and declaration of estimated tax act K.S.A. 79-3294 et seq., and amendments thereto. The amount so determined shall be credited as follows: (1) The portion attributable to the debt service rate shall be credited to the IMPACT program repayment fund, and (2) the remaining portion shall be credited to the IM-PACT program services fund.

8 The aggregate of all amounts credited to the IMPACT program repay-9 ment fund under this section during any fiscal year to pay bond repayment 10 obligations on bonds to finance major project investments shall not exceed 11 the amount which results when the rate of 2% is applied to all money 12 withheld from the wages of individuals and received under the Kansas 13 withholding and declaration of estimated tax act.

(c) On and after July 1, 2008, any unencumbered amounts remaining
in the IMPACT program services fund on June 30 of each year shall be
reappropriated to the IMPACT program services fund for the following
fiscal year and shall be in addition to the amount credited to the fund
pursuant to subsection (b)(2) of this section.

19 (d) On and after July 1, 2008, the secretary shall annually set aside 20moneys in the IMPACT program services fund as follows: (1) At least 15% 21of the moneys shall be for agreements with rural employers; and (2) at 22least 20% of the moneys shall be for agreements with small business em-23 ployers; except that no employer may qualify as both a rural employer and a small business employer. On June 30 of each year, any unencum-24 bered amounts of the moneys set aside shall be reappropriated to the 2526IMPACT program services fund for the following fiscal year and shall not 27 be subject to the set aside provisions. 28

Sec. 4. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 74-50,108 is hereby amended to read as 29 follows: 74-50,108. There is hereby created in the state treasury the IM-30 PACT program services fund. The secretary shall administer the IM-PACT program services fund. All moneys credited to the IMPACT pro-3132 gram services fund shall be for all or part of the program costs of projects 33 or major project investments approved by the secretary under this act, 34 except that moneys in the IMPACT program services fund which are not 35 required to pay program costs or major projects investments may be transferred to the state general fund in accordance with provisions of appro-36 37 priation acts shall be reappropriated to the IMPACT program services 38 fund for the following fiscal year and shall be in addition to the amount 39 credited to the fund pursuant to subsection (b)(2) of K.S.A. 74-50,107, 40 and amendments thereto. All expenditures from the IMPACT program services fund shall be for the purposes of paying program costs and shall 4142be made in accordance with appropriations acts upon warrants of the

43 director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved

1 by the secretary or the secretary's designee. The secretary shall remit all

2 moneys received under this act, including the proceeds of bonds issued 3 by the Kansas development finance authority for the purposes of this act

3 by the Kansas development finance authority for the purposes of this act4 to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215,

5 and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state

6 treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit

7 of the IMPACT program services fund.

8 Sec. 5. K.S.A. 2007 Supp. 74-50,103, 74-50,104, 74-50,107 and 74-9 50,108 are hereby repealed.

10 Sec. 6. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its 11 publication in the statute book.