A bill to be entitled An act relating to economic development; amending ss. 72.011, F.S.; deleting a reference; amending ss. 220.02 and 220.13, F.S.; replacing references; amending s. 220.131, F.S.; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 220.153, F.S.; providing for the apportionment of certain taxpayer's adjusted federal income solely by the sales factor provided in s. 220.15, F.S.; providing for eligibility based on the taxpayer's capital expenditures and number of full-time employees; providing an application process; authorizing the Department of Revenue to examine and verify that a taxpayer has correctly apportioned its taxes; authorizing the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to approve and revoke approval of an application; providing for the recapture of unpaid taxes, interest, and penalties; authorizing the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development and the Department of Revenue to adopt rules; conforming provisions to changes made by the act; creating s. 220.194, F.S.; creating a corporate income tax credit to continue credits available under the Emergency Excise Tax; amending ss. 220.801, 213.05, 213.053, and 213.255, F.S.; deleting references; repealing ss. 221.01, 221.02, 221.04, and 221.05, F.S.; repealing the Emergency Excise Tax; amending ss. 288.075, 288.1045, 288.106, F.S.; deleting references; amending s. 288.1254, F.S.; providing definitions, revising criteria for awarding tax credits, and increasing the amount of credits

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to be awarded under the Entertainment Industry Financial Incentive Program; amending s. 288.1258, F.S.; changing the record keeping requirements of the Office of Film and Entertainment; amending s. 290.0055, F.S.; authorizing certain governing bodies to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to amend the boundary of an enterprise zone that includes a rural area of critical economic concern; providing a limitation; authorizing the office to approve the amendment application subject to certain requirements; requiring that the office establish the effective date of certain enterprise zones; creating s. 290.00726, F.S.; authorizing Martin County to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of an enterprise zone; providing application requirements; authorizing the office to designate an enterprise zone in Martin County; providing responsibilities of the office; creating s. 290.00727, F.S.; authorizing the City of Palm Bay to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of an enterprise zone; providing an application deadline; providing requirements for the area of the enterprise zone; requiring the office to establish the effective date of the enterprise zone; amending ss. 624.509, 624.51055, F.S.; deleting references; authorizing the executive director of the Department of Revenue to adopt emergency rules; providing effective dates.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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Section 1. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 58 72.011, Florida Statutes, is amended to read: 59 72.011 Jurisdiction of circuit courts in specific tax 60 61 matters; administrative hearings and appeals; time for commencing action; parties; deposits.-62 63 (1) (a) A taxpayer may contest the legality of any 64 assessment or denial of refund of tax, fee, surcharge, permit, 65 interest, or penalty provided for under s. 125.0104, s. 66 125.0108, chapter 198, chapter 199, chapter 201, chapter 202, 67 chapter 203, chapter 206, chapter 207, chapter 210, chapter 211, chapter 212, chapter 213, chapter 220, chapter 221, s. 68 379.362(3), chapter 376, s. 403.717, s. 403.718, s. 403.7185, s. 69

538.09, s. 538.25, chapter 550, chapter 561, chapter 562,

71 chapter 563, chapter 564, chapter 565, chapter 624, or s.

681.117 by filing an action in circuit court; or, alternatively,

the taxpayer may file a petition under the applicable provisions

of chapter 120. However, once an action has been initiated under

75 s. 120.56, s. 120.565, s. 120.569, s. 120.57, or s.

76 120.80(14)(b), no action relating to the same subject matter may

be filed by the taxpayer in circuit court, and judicial review

shall be exclusively limited to appellate review pursuant to s.

120.68; and once an action has been initiated in circuit court, no action may be brought under chapter 120.

Section 2. Subsection (8) of section 220.02, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

220.02 Legislative intent.-

It is the intent of the Legislature that credits

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against either the corporate income tax or the franchise tax be applied in the following order: those enumerated in s. 631.828, those enumerated in s. 220.191, those enumerated in s. 220.181, those enumerated in s. 220.183, those enumerated in s. 220.182, those enumerated in s. 220.1895, those enumerated in s.

220.194221.02, those enumerated in s. 220.184, those enumerated in s. 220.186, those enumerated in s. 220.1845, those enumerated in s. 220.19, those enumerated in s. 220.185, those enumerated in s. 220.1875, those enumerated in s. 220.192, those enumerated in s. 220.193, those enumerated in s. 288.9916, those enumerated in s. 220.1899, and those enumerated in s. 220.1896.

Section 3. Paragraph (a) of subsection (1) of section 220.13, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

220.13 "Adjusted federal income" defined.-

- (1) The term "adjusted federal income" means an amount equal to the taxpayer's taxable income as defined in subsection (2), or such taxable income of more than one taxpayer as provided in s. 220.131, for the taxable year, adjusted as follows:
- (a) Additions.—There shall be added to such taxable income:
- 1. The amount of any tax upon or measured by income, excluding taxes based on gross receipts or revenues, paid or accrued as a liability to the District of Columbia or any state of the United States which is deductible from gross income in the computation of taxable income for the taxable year.
- 2. The amount of interest which is excluded from taxable income under s. 103(a) of the Internal Revenue Code or any other

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federal law, less the associated expenses disallowed in the computation of taxable income under s. 265 of the Internal Revenue Code or any other law, excluding 60 percent of any amounts included in alternative minimum taxable income, as defined in s. 55(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, if the taxpayer pays tax under s. 220.11(3).

- 3. In the case of a regulated investment company or real estate investment trust, an amount equal to the excess of the net long-term capital gain for the taxable year over the amount of the capital gain dividends attributable to the taxable year.
- 4. That portion of the wages or salaries paid or incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the amount of the credit allowable for the taxable year under s. 220.181. This subparagraph shall expire on the date specified in s. 290.016 for the expiration of the Florida Enterprise Zone Act.
- 5. That portion of the ad valorem school taxes paid or incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the amount of the credit allowable for the taxable year under s. 220.182. This subparagraph shall expire on the date specified in s. 290.016 for the expiration of the Florida Enterprise Zone Act.
- 6. The amount taken as a credit under s. 220.194 of emergency excise tax paid or accrued as a liability to this state under chapter 221 which tax is deductible from gross income in the computation of taxable income for the taxable year.
- 7. That portion of assessments to fund a guaranty association incurred for the taxable year which is equal to the amount of the credit allowable for the taxable year.

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- 8. In the case of a nonprofit corporation which holds a pari-mutuel permit and which is exempt from federal income tax as a farmers' cooperative, an amount equal to the excess of the gross income attributable to the pari-mutuel operations over the attributable expenses for the taxable year.
- 9. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under s. 220.1895.
- 10. Up to nine percent of the eligible basis of any designated project which is equal to the credit allowable for the taxable year under s. 220.185.
- 11. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under s. 220.1875. The addition in this subparagraph is intended to ensure that the same amount is not allowed for the tax purposes of this state as both a deduction from income and a credit against the tax. This addition is not intended to result in adding the same expense back to income more than once.
- 157 12. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under s. 220.192.
 - 13. The amount taken as a credit for the taxable year under s. 220.193.
 - 14. Any portion of a qualified investment, as defined in s. 288.9913, which is claimed as a deduction by the taxpayer and taken as a credit against income tax pursuant to s. 288.9916.
 - 15. The costs to acquire a tax credit pursuant to s. 288.1254(5) that are deducted from or otherwise reduce federal taxable income for the taxable year.
- Section 4. Subsection (5) of section 220.131, Florida
 Statutes, is amended to read:

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220.131 Adjusted federal income; affiliated groups.-

(5) Each taxpayer shall apportion adjusted federal income under s. 220.15 as a member of an affiliated group which files a consolidated return under this section on the basis of apportionment factors described in s. 220.15. For the purposes of this subsection, each special industry member included in an affiliated group filing a consolidated return hereunder, who which member would otherwise be permitted to use a special method of apportionment under s. 220.151 or s. 220.153, shall construct the numerator of its sales, property, and payroll factors, respectively, by multiplying the denominator of each such factor by the premiums or revenue miles factor ratio otherwise applicable under pursuant to s. 220.151 in the manner prescribed by the department by rule.

Section 5. Section 220.153, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

220.153 Apportionment by sales factor.-

(1) APPORTIONMENT OF TAXES; ELIGIBILITY.—A taxpayer, not including a financial organization as defined in s. 220.15(6) or a bank, savings association, international banking facility, or banking organization as defined in s. 220.62, doing business within and without this state, who applies and demonstrates to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development that, on or after July 1, 2013, it has made qualified capital expenditures equal to or exceeding \$250 million and has maintained the number of full-time employees who were employed by the taxpayer in this state at the time it notified the office of its intent to apply for apportionment pursuant to this

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section, may apportion its adjusted federal income solely by the sales factor set forth in s. 220.15(5), commencing in the taxable year of such determination. For the purposes of this section, a full-time employee must work an average of at least 36 hours per week for an entire year and receive an average weekly wage greater than the lower of the state or local average weekly wages for the taxpayer's industry; however, a full-time employee does not include an employee who is hired to construct improvements to real property.

- (2) APPLICATION PROCESS.—
- (a) To qualify as a taxpayer who is eligible to apportion its adjusted federal income under this section:
- 1. The taxpayer must notify the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development of its intent to submit an application to apportion its adjusted federal income in order to commence the 2-year period for measuring qualified capital expenditures.
- 2. The application must be submitted within 2 years after notifying the office of the taxpayer's intent to qualify. The application must be made under oath and provide such information as the office reasonably requires by rule for determining the applicant's eligibility to apportion adjusted federal income. The taxpayer is responsible for affirmatively demonstrating to the satisfaction of the office that it meets the eligibility requirements.
- (b) The taxpayer notice and application forms shall be established by the office by rule. The office shall acknowledge receipt of the notice and approve or deny the application in writing within 45 days after receipt.

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- (c) Upon approval, the taxpayer, by the due date for filing its tax return for the taxable year during which its eligibility has been determined, including any extensions thereof, may elect to apportion its adjusted federal income by filing a return for the taxable year using the method provided under this chapter.
- (d) Once made, a taxpayer may not revoke the election for 4 years, at which time the taxpayer may renew the election by the due date, or extended due date, for filing its tax return by filing a return for the next taxable year using the method provided under this chapter. If the taxpayer does not renew its election, it shall apportion its adjusted federal income pursuant to s. 220.15 and must reapply to apportion its adjusted federal income pursuant to this section.
 - (3) REVIEW AUTHORITY; RECAPTURE OF TAX.—
- (a) In addition to its existing audit authority, the department may perform any financial and technical review and investigation, including examining the accounts, books, and records of the taxpayer as necessary, to verify that the taxpayer's tax return correctly computes and apportions adjusted federal income and to ensure compliance with this chapter.
- (b) The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may, by order, revoke its decision to grant eligibility for apportionment, and may also order the recalculation of apportionment factors to those applicable under s. 220.15 if, as the result of an audit, investigation, or examination, it determines that information provided by the taxpayer in the application, or in a statement, representation, record, report,

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plan, or other document provided to the office to become
eligible for apportionment, was materially false at the time it
was made and that an individual acting on behalf of the taxpayer
knew, or should have known, that the information submitted was
false. The taxpayer shall pay such additional taxes and interest
as may be due pursuant to this chapter computed as the
difference between the tax that would have been due under the
apportionment formula provided in s. 220.15 for such years and
the tax actually paid. In addition, the department shall assess
a penalty equal to 100 percent of the additional tax due.
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- (c) The office shall immediately notify the department of an order affecting a taxpayer's eligibility to apportion tax pursuant to this section. A taxpayer who is liable for past tax must file an amended return with the department, or such other report as the department prescribes by rule, and pay any required tax, interest, and penalty within 60 days after the taxpayer receives notification from the office that the previously approved credits have been revoked. If the revocation is contested, the taxpayer shall file an amended return or other report within 30 days after an order becomes final. A taxpayer who fails to pay the past tax, interest, and penalty by the due date is subject to the penalties provided in s. 220.803.
- (4) RULES.—The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development and the department may adopt rules to administer this section.
- Section 6. Section 220.194, Florida Statutes, is created to read:
 - 220.194 Emergency excise tax credit.

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- (1) Beginning with taxable years ending in 2012, a taxpayer who has earned, but not yet taken, a credit for emergency excise tax paid under former s. 221.02, may take such credit against the tax imposed by this chapter.
- (2) If a credit granted pursuant to this section is not fully used in taxable years ending in 2012 because of insufficient tax liability on the part of the taxpayer, the unused amount may be carried forward for a period not to exceed 5 years. The carryover credit may be used in a subsequent year when the tax imposed by this chapter for such year exceeds the credit for such year, after applying the other credits and unused credit carryovers in the order provided in s. 220.02(8).
- Section 7. Subsection (4) of section 220.801, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 220.801 Penalties; failure to timely file returns.-
- (4) The provisions of this section shall specifically apply to the notice of federal change required under s. 220.23₇ and to any tax returns required under chapter 221, relating to the emergency excise tax.
- Section 8. Section 213.05, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 213.05 Department of Revenue; control and administration of revenue laws.—The Department of Revenue shall have only those responsibilities for ad valorem taxation specified to the department in chapter 192, taxation, general provisions; chapter 193, assessments; chapter 194, administrative and judicial review of property taxes; chapter 195, property assessment administration and finance; chapter 196, exemption; chapter 197,

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309	tax collections, sales, and liens; chapter 199, intangible
310	personal property taxes; and chapter 200, determination of
311	millage. The Department of Revenue shall have the responsibility
312	of regulating, controlling, and administering all revenue laws
313	and performing all duties as provided in s. 125.0104, the Local
314	Option Tourist Development Act; s. 125.0108, tourist impact tax;
315	chapter 198, estate taxes; chapter 201, excise tax on documents;
316	chapter 202, communications services tax; chapter 203, gross
317	receipts taxes; chapter 206, motor and other fuel taxes; chapter
318	211, tax on production of oil and gas and severance of solid
319	minerals; chapter 212, tax on sales, use, and other
320	transactions; chapter 220, income tax code; chapter 221,
321	emergency excise tax; ss. 336.021 and 336.025, taxes on motor
322	fuel and special fuel; s. 376.11, pollutant spill prevention and
323	control; s. 403.718, waste tire fees; s. 403.7185, lead-acid
324	battery fees; s. 538.09, registration of secondhand dealers; s.
325	538.25, registration of secondary metals recyclers; s. 624.4621,
326	group self-insurer's fund premium tax; s. 624.5091, retaliatory
327	tax; s. 624.475, commercial self-insurance fund premium tax; ss.
328	624.509-624.511, insurance code: administration and general
329	provisions; s. 624.515, State Fire Marshal regulatory
330	assessment; s. 627.357, medical malpractice self-insurance
331	premium tax; s. 629.5011, reciprocal insurers premium tax; and
332	s. 681.117, motor vehicle warranty enforcement.
333	Section 9. Paragraph (m) of subsection (1) of section
334	213.053, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
335	213.053 Confidentiality and information sharing
336	(1) This section applies to:

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- Section 10. Subsection (12) of section 213.255, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 213.255 Interest.—Interest shall be paid on overpayments of taxes, payment of taxes not due, or taxes paid in error, subject to the following conditions:
- established pursuant to s. 213.235, except that the annual rate of interest shall never be greater than 11 percent. This annual rate of interest shall be applied to all refunds of taxes administered by the department except for corporate income taxes and emergency excise taxes governed by ss. 220.721 and 220.723.
- Section 11. Sections 221.01, 221.02, 221.04, and 221.05 are repealed.
- Section 12. Paragraph (a) of subsection (6) of section 288.075, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
 - 288.075 Confidentiality of records.-
- 354 (6) ECONOMIC INCENTIVE PROGRAMS.—
 - (a) The following information held by an economic development agency pursuant to the administration of an economic incentive program for qualified businesses is confidential and exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution for a period not to exceed the duration of the incentive agreement, including an agreement authorizing a tax refund or tax credit, or upon termination of the incentive agreement:
 - 1. The percentage of the business's sales occurring outside this state and, for businesses applying under s.

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288.1045, the percentage of the business's gross receipts derived from Department of Defense contracts during the 5 years immediately preceding the date the business's application is submitted.

- 2. The anticipated wages for the project jobs that the business plans to create, as reported on the application for certification.
- 3. The average wage actually paid by the business for those jobs created by the project or an employee's personal identifying information which is held as evidence of the achievement or nonachievement of the wage requirements of the tax refund, tax credit, or incentive agreement programs or of the job creation requirements of such programs.
 - 4. The amount of:
- a. Taxes on sales, use, and other transactions paid pursuant to chapter 212;
 - b. Corporate income taxes paid pursuant to chapter 220;
- 382 c. Intangible personal property taxes paid pursuant to chapter 199;
 - d. Emergency excise taxes paid pursuant to chapter 221;
 - e. Insurance premium taxes paid pursuant to chapter 624;
 - f. Excise taxes paid on documents pursuant to chapter 201;
 - g. Ad valorem taxes paid, as defined in s. 220.03(1); or
- h. State communications services taxes paid pursuant to chapter 202.
- Section 13. Paragraph (f) of subsection (2) of section 391 288.1045, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 392 288.1045 Qualified defense contractor and space flight

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business tax refund program.-

- (2) GRANTING OF A TAX REFUND; ELIGIBLE AMOUNTS.-
- (f) After entering into a tax refund agreement pursuant to subsection (4), a qualified applicant may:
- 1. Receive refunds from the account for corporate income taxes due and paid pursuant to chapter 220 by that business beginning with the first taxable year of the business which begins after entering into the agreement.
- 2. Receive refunds from the account for the following taxes due and paid by that business after entering into the agreement:
- a. Taxes on sales, use, and other transactions paid pursuant to chapter 212.
- b. Intangible personal property taxes paid pursuant to chapter 199.
 - c. Emergency excise taxes paid pursuant to chapter 221.
 - d. Excise taxes paid on documents pursuant to chapter 201.
- e. Ad valorem taxes paid, as defined in s. 220.03(1)(a) on June 1, 1996.
- f. State communications services taxes administered under chapter 202. This provision does not apply to the gross receipts tax imposed under chapter 203 and administered under chapter 202 or the local communications services tax authorized under s. 202.19.

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However, a qualified applicant may not receive a tax refund pursuant to this section for any amount of credit, refund, or exemption granted such contractor for any of such taxes. If a

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refund for such taxes is provided by the office, which taxes are subsequently adjusted by the application of any credit, refund, or exemption granted to the qualified applicant other than that provided in this section, the qualified applicant shall reimburse the Economic Development Trust Fund for the amount of such credit, refund, or exemption. A qualified applicant must notify and tender payment to the office within 20 days after receiving a credit, refund, or exemption, other than that provided in this section. The addition of communications services taxes administered under chapter 202 is remedial in nature and retroactive to October 1, 2001. The office may make supplemental tax refund payments to allow for tax refunds for communications services taxes paid by an eligible qualified defense contractor after October 1, 2001.

Section 14. Paragraph (d) of subsection (3) of section 288.106, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

288.106 Tax refund program for qualified target industry businesses.—

- (3) TAX REFUND; ELIGIBLE AMOUNTS.-
- (d) After entering into a tax refund agreement under subsection (5), a qualified target industry business may:
- 1. Receive refunds from the account for the following taxes due and paid by that business beginning with the first taxable year of the business that begins after entering into the agreement:
 - a. Corporate income taxes under chapter 220.
 - b. Insurance premium tax under s. 624.509.
- 2. Receive refunds from the account for the following

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taxes due and paid by that business after entering into the agreement:

- a. Taxes on sales, use, and other transactions under chapter 212.
 - b. Intangible personal property taxes under chapter 199.
 - c. Emergency excise taxes under chapter 221.
 - d. Excise taxes on documents under chapter 201.
 - e. Ad valorem taxes paid, as defined in s. 220.03(1).
- f. State communications services taxes administered under chapter 202. This provision does not apply to the gross receipts tax imposed under chapter 203 and administered under chapter 202 or the local communications services tax authorized under s. 202.19.
- Section 15. Subsections (1), (4), and (7) of section 288.1254, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:
- 288.1254 Entertainment industry financial incentive program.—
 - (1) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section, the term:
- (a) "Certified production" means a qualified production that has tax credits allocated to it by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development based on the production's estimated qualified expenditures, up to the production's maximum certified amount of tax credits, by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development. The term does not include a production if its first day of principal photography or project start date in this state occurs before the production is certified by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development, unless the production spans more than 1 fiscal

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year, was a certified production on its first day of principal photography or project start date in this state, and submits an application for continuing the same production for the subsequent fiscal year.

- (b) "Digital media project" means a production of interactive entertainment that is produced for distribution in commercial or educational markets. The term includes a video game or production intended for Internet or wireless distribution. The term does not include a production deemed by the Office of Film and Entertainment to contain obscene content as defined in s. 847.001(10).
- (c) "High-impact television series" means a production created to run multiple production seasons and having an estimated order of at least seven episodes per season and qualified expenditures of at least \$625,000 per episode.
- (d) "Off-season certified production" means a feature film, independent film, or television series or pilot which films 75 percent or more of its principal photography days from June 1 through November 30.
- (e) "Principal photography" means the filming of major or significant components of the qualified production which involve lead actors.
- (f) "Production" means a theatrical or direct-to-video motion picture; a made-for-television motion picture; visual effects or digital animation sequences produced in conjunction with a motion picture; a commercial; a music video; an industrial or educational film; an infomercial; a documentary film; a television pilot program; a presentation for a

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television pilot program; a television series, including, but not limited to, a drama, a reality show, a comedy, a soap opera, a telenovela, a game show, an awards show, or a miniseries production; or a digital media project by the entertainment industry. One season of a television series is considered one production. The term does not include a weather or market program; a sporting event; a sports show; a gala; a production that solicits funds; a home shopping program; a political program; a political documentary; political advertising; a gambling-related project or production; a concert production; or a local, regional, or Internet-distributed-only news show, current-events show, pornographic production, or current-affairs show. A production may be produced on or by film, tape, or otherwise by means of a motion picture camera; electronic camera or device; tape device; computer; any combination of the foregoing; or any other means, method, or device.

- (g) "Production expenditures" means the costs of tangible and intangible property used for, and services performed primarily and customarily in, production, including preproduction and postproduction, but excluding costs for development, marketing, and distribution. The term includes, but is not limited to:
- 1. Wages, salaries, or other compensation paid to legal residents of this state, including amounts paid through payroll service companies, for technical and production crews, directors, producers, and performers.
- 2. Net expenditures for sound stages, backlots, production editing, digital effects, sound recordings, sets, and set

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- 3. Net expenditures for rental equipment, including, but not limited to, cameras and grip or electrical equipment.
- 4. Up to \$300,000 of the costs of newly purchased computer software and hardware unique to the project, including servers, data processing, and visualization technologies, which are located in and used exclusively in the state for the production of digital media.
- 5. Expenditures for meals, travel, and accommodations. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "net expenditures" means the actual amount of money a qualified production spent for equipment or other tangible personal property, after subtracting any consideration received for reselling or transferring the item after the qualified production ends, if applicable.
- (h) "Qualified expenditures" means production expenditures incurred in this state by a qualified production for:
- 1. Goods purchased or leased from, or services, including, but not limited to, insurance costs and bonding, payroll services, and legal fees, which are provided by, a vendor or supplier in this state that is registered with the Department of State or the Department of Revenue, has a physical location in this state, and employs one or more legal residents of this state. This does not include rebilled goods or services provided by an in-state company from out of state vendors or suppliers.

 When services are provided by the vendor or supplier include personal services or labor, only personal services or labor provided by residents of this state, evidenced by the required documentation of residency in this state, qualify.

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2. Payments to legal residents of this state in the form of salary, wages, or other compensation up to a maximum of \$400,000 per resident unless otherwise specified in subsection (4). A completed declaration of residency in this state must accompany the documentation submitted to the office for reimbursement.

For a qualified production involving an event, such as an awards show, the term does not include expenditures solely associated with the event itself and not directly required by the production. The term does not include expenditures incurred before certification, with the exception of those incurred for a commercial, a music video, or the pickup of additional episodes of a high-impact television series within a single season. Under no circumstances may the qualified production include in the calculation for qualified expenditures the original purchase price for equipment or other tangible property that is later sold or transferred by the qualified production for consideration. In such cases, the qualified expenditure is the net of the original purchase price minus the consideration received upon sale or transfer.

(i) "Qualified production" means a production in this state meeting the requirements of this section. The term does not include a production:

1. In which, for the first 2 years of the incentive program, less than 50 percent, and thereafter, less than 60 percent, of the positions that make up its production cast and below-the-line production crew, or, in the case of digital media

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projects, less than 75 percent of such positions, are filled by legal residents of this state, whose residency is demonstrated by a valid Florida driver's license or other state-issued identification confirming residency, or students enrolled full-time in a film-and-entertainment-related course of study at an institution of higher education in this state; or

- 2. That is deemed by the Office of Film and Entertainment to contain obscene content as defined in s. 847.001(10).
- (j) "Qualified production company" means a corporation, limited liability company, partnership, or other legal entity engaged in one or more productions in this state.
- (k) "Regional population ratio" means the ratio of the population of a region to the population of the state of Florida. The regional population ratio applicable to a given fiscal year is the regional population ratio calculated by the Office of Film and Entertainment using the latest official estimates of population certified pursuant to s. 186.901 available on the first day of that fiscal year.
- (1) "Regional tax credit ratio" means a ratio the numerator of which is of the sum of tax credits awarded to productions in a region to date plus the tax credits certified but not yet awarded to productions currently in that region, and the denominator of which is the sum of all tax credits awarded in the state to date plus all tax credits certified but not yet awarded to productions currently in the state. The regional tax credit ratio applicable to a given year is the regional tax credit ratio calculated by the Office of Film and Entertainment using credit award and certification information available on

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- (m) "Underutilized region" for a given state fiscal year means a region with a regional tax credit ratio applicable to that fiscal year lower than its regional population ratio applicable to that fiscal year. The following regions are established for the purposes of making this determination:
- 1. North Region consisting of Alachua, Baker, Bay,
 Bradford, Calhoun, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Duval, Escambia,
 Franklin, Gadsden, Gilchrist, Gulf, Hamilton, Holmes, Jackson,
 Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Levy, Liberty, Madison, Nassau,
 Oklaloosa, Putnam, Santa Rosa, St. Johns, Suwannee, Taylor,
 Union, Wakulla, Walton, and Washington counties.
- 2. Central East Region consisting of Brevard, Flagler,
 Indian River, Lake, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, St.
 Lucie, and Volusia counties.
- 3. Central West Region consisting of Citrus, Hernando,
 Hillsborough, Manatee, Marion, Polk, Pasco, Pinellas, Sarasota,
 and Sumter counties.
- 4. Southwest Region of Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, and Lee counties.
- 5. Southeast Region of Broward, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, and Palm Beach counties.
- (4) TAX CREDIT ELIGIBILITY; TAX CREDIT AWARDS; QUEUES; ELECTION AND DISTRIBUTION; CARRYFORWARD; CONSOLIDATED RETURNS; PARTNERSHIP AND NONCORPORATE DISTRIBUTIONS; MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS.—
- (a) Priority for tax credit award.—The priority of a qualified production for tax credit awards must be determined on

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a first-come, first-served basis within its appropriate queue. Each qualified production must be placed into the appropriate queue and is subject to the requirements of that queue.

- (b) Tax credit eligibility.-
- 1. General production queue.—Ninety-four percent of tax credits authorized pursuant to subsection (6) in any state fiscal year must be dedicated to the general production queue. The general production queue consists of all qualified productions other than those eligible for the commercial and music video queue or the independent and emerging media production queue. A qualified production that demonstrates a minimum of \$625,000 in qualified expenditures is eligible for tax credits equal to 20 percent of its actual qualified expenditures, up to a maximum of \$8 million. A qualified production that incurs qualified expenditures during multiple state fiscal years may combine those expenditures to satisfy the \$625,000 minimum threshold.
- a. An off-season certified production that is a feature film, independent film, or television series or pilot is eligible for an additional 5-percent tax credit on actual qualified expenditures. An off-season certified production that does not complete 75 percent of principal photography due to a disruption caused by a hurricane or tropical storm may not be disqualified from eligibility for the additional 5-percent credit as a result of the disruption.
- b. The calculations required by this sub-subparagraph, shall use only credits available to be certified and awarded on or after July 1, 2011.

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- I. If less than 35% of the sum of total tax credits awarded to productions and total tax credits certified but not yet awarded to productions currently in this state has been to high-impact television series, any qualified high-impact television series shall be allowed first position in this queue for tax credit awards not yet certified.
- II. If less than 20% of the sum of total tax credits awarded to productions and total tax credits certified but not yet awarded to productions currently in the state has been to digital media projects, any digital media project shall be allowed first position in this queue for tax credit awards not yet certified.
- III. For the purposes of determining position between a high-impact television series allowed first position and a digital media project allowed first position pursuant to this sub-subparagraph, tax credits shall be awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- c. A qualified production which incurs at least 85 percent of its qualified expenditures within a region designated as an underutilized region at the time the production is certified is eligible for an additional 5 percent tax credit.
- d. Any qualified production which employs students enrolled full-time in a film-and-entertainment-related or digital-media-related course of study at an institution of higher education in this state is eligible for an additional 30 percent credit on those qualified expenditures that are wages, salaries, or other compensation paid to such students.
 - 2. Commercial and music video queue.—Three percent of tax

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credits authorized pursuant to subsection (6) in any state fiscal year must be dedicated to the commercial and music video queue. A qualified production company that produces national or regional commercials or music videos may be eligible for a tax credit award if it demonstrates a minimum of \$100,000 in qualified expenditures per national or regional commercial or music video and exceeds a combined threshold of \$500,000 after combining actual qualified expenditures from qualified commercials and music videos during a single state fiscal year. After a qualified production company that produces commercials, music videos, or both reaches the threshold of \$500,000, it is eligible to apply for certification for a tax credit award. The maximum credit award shall be equal to 20 percent of its actual qualified expenditures up to a maximum of \$500,000. If there is a surplus at the end of a fiscal year after the Office of Film and Entertainment certifies and determines the tax credits for all qualified commercial and video projects, such surplus tax credits shall be carried forward to the following fiscal year and be available to any eligible qualified productions under the general production queue.

3. Independent and emerging media production queue.—Three percent of tax credits authorized pursuant to subsection (6) in any state fiscal year must be dedicated to the independent and emerging media production queue. This queue is intended to encourage Florida independent film and emerging media production. Any qualified production, excluding commercials, infomercials, or music videos, that demonstrates at least \$100,000, but not more than \$625,000, in total qualified

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expenditures is eligible for tax credits equal to 20 percent of its actual qualified expenditures. If a surplus exists at the end of a fiscal year after the Office of Film and Entertainment certifies and determines the tax credits for all qualified independent and emerging media production projects, such surplus tax credits shall be carried forward to the following fiscal year and be available to any eligible qualified productions under the general production queue.

- 4. Family-friendly productions.—A certified theatrical or direct-to-video motion picture production or video game determined by the Commissioner of Film and Entertainment, with the advice of the Florida Film and Entertainment Advisory Council, to be family-friendly, based on the review of the script and the review of the final release version, is eligible for an additional tax credit equal to 5 percent of its actual qualified expenditures. Family-friendly productions are those that have cross-generational appeal; would be considered suitable for viewing by children age 5 or older; are appropriate in theme, content, and language for a broad family audience; embody a responsible resolution of issues; and do not exhibit or imply any act of smoking, sex, nudity, or vulgar or profane language.
- (c) Withdrawal of tax credit eligibility.—A qualified or certified production must continue on a reasonable schedule, which includes beginning principal photography or the production project in this state no more than 45 calendar days before or after the principal photography or project start date provided in the production's program application. The Office of Tourism,

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Trade, and Economic Development shall withdraw the eligibility of a qualified or certified production that does not continue on a reasonable schedule.

- (d) Election and distribution of tax credits.-
- 1. A certified production company receiving a tax credit award under this section shall, at the time the credit is awarded by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development after production is completed and all requirements to receive a credit award have been met, make an irrevocable election to apply the credit against taxes due under chapter 220, against state taxes collected or accrued under chapter 212, or against a stated combination of the two taxes. The election is binding upon any distributee, successor, transferee, or purchaser. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development shall notify the Department of Revenue of any election made pursuant to this paragraph.
- 2. A qualified production company is eligible for tax credits against its sales and use tax liabilities and corporate income tax liabilities as provided in this section. However, tax credits awarded under this section may not be claimed against sales and use tax liabilities or corporate income tax liabilities for any tax period beginning before July 1, 2011, regardless of when the credits are applied for or awarded.
- (e) Tax credit carryforward.—If the certified production company cannot use the entire tax credit in the taxable year or reporting period in which the credit is awarded, any excess amount may be carried forward to a succeeding taxable year or reporting period. A tax credit applied against taxes imposed

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under chapter 212 may be carried forward for a maximum of 5 years after the date the credit is awarded. A tax credit applied against taxes imposed under chapter 220 may be carried forward for a maximum of 5 years after the date the credit is awarded, after which the credit expires and may not be used.

- (f) Consolidated returns.—A certified production company that files a Florida consolidated return as a member of an affiliated group under s. 220.131(1) may be allowed the credit on a consolidated return basis up to the amount of the tax imposed upon the consolidated group under chapter 220.
- (g) Partnership and noncorporate distributions.—A qualified production company that is not a corporation as defined in s. 220.03 may elect to distribute tax credits awarded under this section to its partners or members in proportion to their respective distributive income or loss in the taxable year in which the tax credits were awarded.
- (h) Mergers or acquisitions.—Tax credits available under this section to a certified production company may succeed to a surviving or acquiring entity subject to the same conditions and limitations as described in this section; however, they may not be transferred again by the surviving or acquiring entity.
- (7) ANNUAL ALLOCATION OF TAX CREDITS.-
- (a) The aggregate amount of the tax credits that may be certified pursuant to paragraph (3)(d) may not exceed:
 - 1. For fiscal year 2010-2011, \$53.5 million.
 - 2. For fiscal year 2011-2012, \$74.5 million.
- 3. For fiscal years 2012-2013, 2013-2014, and 2014-2015, \$38 \$50 million per fiscal year.

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- (b) Any portion of the maximum amount of tax credits established per fiscal year in paragraph (a) that is not certified as of the end of a fiscal year shall be carried forward and made available for certification during the following 2 fiscal years in addition to the amounts available for certification under paragraph (a) for those fiscal years.
- (c) Upon approval of the final tax credit award amount pursuant to subparagraph (3)(f)2., an amount equal to the difference between the maximum tax credit award amount previously certified under paragraph (3)(d) and the approved final tax credit award amount shall immediately be available for recertification during the current and following fiscal years in addition to the amounts available for certification under paragraph (a) for those fiscal years.
- (d) If, during a fiscal year, the total amount of credits applied for, pursuant to paragraph (3)(a), exceeds the amount of credits available for certification in that fiscal year, such excess shall be treated as having been applied for on the first day of the next fiscal year in which credits remain available for certification.
- Section 16. Subsection (5) of section 288.1258, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 288.1258 Entertainment industry qualified production companies; application procedure; categories; duties of the Department of Revenue; records and reports.—
- (5) RELATIONSHIP OF TAX EXEMPTIONS AND INCENTIVES TO INDUSTRY GROWTH; REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE.—The Office of Film and Entertainment shall keep annual records from the information

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provided on taxpayer applications for tax exemption certificates beginning January 1, 2001. These records shall reflect a ratio of the annual amount of sales and use tax exemptions under this section and incentives awarded pursuant to s. 288.1254 to the estimated amount of funds expended by certified productions, including productions that received incentives pursuant 288.1254. These records also shall reflect a separate ratio of the annual amount of sales and use tax exemptions under this section, plus the incentives awarded pursuant to s. 288.1254 to the estimated amount of funds expended by certified productions. In addition, the office shall maintain data showing annual growth in Florida-based entertainment industry companies and entertainment industry employment and wages. The employment information shall include an estimate of the full time equivalent positions created by each production. The Office of Film and Entertainment shall report this information to the Legislature no later than December 1 of each year. Section 17. Paragraph (d) is added to subsection (6) of

section 290.0055, Florida Statutes, to read:

290.0055 Local nominating procedure.

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(d) 1. The governing body of a jurisdiction which nominated the application for an enterprise zone that is no larger than 12 square miles and that includes a portion of the state designated as a rural area of critical economic concern pursuant to s. 288.0656(7) may apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to expand the boundary of the enterprise zone by not more than 3 square miles. Such application must be

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- 2. Notwithstanding the area limitations specified in subsection (4), the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may approve the request for a boundary amendment if the area continues to satisfy the remaining requirements of this section.
- 3. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development shall establish the initial effective date of an enterprise zone designated under this paragraph.

Section 18. Section 290.00726, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

290.00726 Enterprise zone designation for Martin County.-Martin County may apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of one enterprise zone for an area within Martin County, which zone shall encompass an area up to 10 square miles consisting of land within the primary urban services boundary and focusing on Indiantown, but excluding property owned by Florida Power and Light to the west, two areas to the north designated as estate residential, and the county-owned Timer Powers Recreational Area. Within the designated enterprise zone, Martin County shall exempt residential condominiums from benefiting from state enterprise zone incentives, unless prohibited by law. The application must have been submitted by December 31, 2011, and must comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055. Notwithstanding s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones designated and the number of enterprise zones within a population category, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may designate

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one enterprise zone under this section. The Office of Tourism,

Trade, and Economic Development shall establish the initial

effective date of the enterprise zone designated pursuant to

this section.

Section 19. Section 290.00727, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

290.00727 Enterprise zone designation for the City of Palm Bay.—The City of Palm Bay may apply to the Office of Tourism,

Trade, and Economic Development for designation of one enterprise zone for an area within the northeast portion of the city, which zone shall encompass an area up to 5 square miles.

The application must be submitted by December 31, 2011, and must comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055. Notwithstanding s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones designated and the number of enterprise zones within a population category, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may designate one enterprise zone under this section. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development shall establish the initial effective date of the enterprise zone designated under this section.

Section 20. Subsections (4) and (7) of section 624.509, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

624.509 Premium tax; rate and computation.-

(4) The income tax imposed under chapter 220 and the emergency excise tax imposed under chapter 221 which is are paid by any insurer shall be credited against, and to the extent thereof shall discharge, the liability for tax imposed by this section for the annual period in which such tax payments are

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made. As to any insurer issuing policies insuring against loss or damage from the risks of fire, tornado, and certain casualty lines, the tax imposed by this section, as intended and contemplated by this subsection, shall be construed to mean the net amount of such tax remaining after there has been credited thereon such gross premium receipts tax as may be payable by such insurer in pursuance of the imposition of such tax by any incorporated cities or towns in the state for firefighters' relief and pension funds and police officers' retirement funds maintained in such cities or towns, as provided in and by relevant provisions of the Florida Statutes. For purposes of this subsection, payments of estimated income tax under chapter 220 and of estimated emergency excise tax under chapter 221 shall be deemed paid either at the time the insurer actually files its annual returns under chapter 220 or at the time such returns are required to be filed, whichever first occurs, and not at such earlier time as such payments of estimated tax are actually made.

(7) Credits and deductions against the tax imposed by this section shall be taken in the following order: deductions for assessments made pursuant to s. 440.51; credits for taxes paid under ss. 175.101 and 185.08; credits for income taxes paid under chapter 220, the emergency excise tax paid under chapter 221—and the credit allowed under subsection (5), as these credits are limited by subsection (6); all other available credits and deductions.

Section 21. Subsection (1) of section 624.51055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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624.51055 Credit for contributions to eligible nonprofit scholarship-funding organizations.—

- eligible contribution made to an eligible nonprofit scholarship-funding organization under s. 1002.395 against any tax due for a taxable year under s. 624.509(1). However, such a credit may not exceed 75 percent of the tax due under s. 624.509(1) after deducting from such tax deductions for assessments made pursuant to s. 440.51; credits for taxes paid under ss. 175.101 and 185.08; credits for income taxes paid under chapter 220; credits for the emergency excise tax paid under chapter 221; and the credit allowed under s. 624.509(5), as such credit is limited by s. 624.509(6). An insurer claiming a credit against premium tax liability under this section shall not be required to pay any additional retaliatory tax levied pursuant to s. 624.5091 as a result of claiming such credit. Section 624.5091 does not limit such credit in any manner.
- Section 22. (1) The executive director of the Department of Revenue is authorized, and all conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules under ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54(4),

 Florida Statutes, for the purpose of implementing this act.
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, such emergency rules shall remain in effect for 6 months after the date adopted and may be renewed during the pendency of procedures to adopt permanent rules addressing the subject of the emergency rules.
- Section 23. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011, except that sections 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14,

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981 17, 18, 20, and 21 shall take effect January 1, 2012.

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