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AN ACT

AMENDING TITLE 41, CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE 1, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 41-1517; AMENDING SECTIONS 42-1122, 42-2003, 43-222 AND 43-1021, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 43, CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE 5, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 43-1082; AMENDING SECTION 43-1121, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; AMENDING TITLE 43, CHAPTER 11, ARTICLE 6, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 43-1165; RELATING TO INCOME TAX CREDITS.

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

Section 1. Title 41, chapter 10, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 41-1517, to read:

41-1517. Arizona motion picture production program; duties; preapproval; postapproval; fee; rulemaking; audit; report; definitions

- A. THE AUTHORITY SHALL:
- 1. IMPLEMENT AN ARIZONA MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION PROGRAM IN THIS STATE TO PROMOTE THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND EXPANSION OF THE COMMERCIAL MOTION PICTURE INDUSTRY IN THIS STATE.
- 2. CERTIFY MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANIES THAT PRODUCE ONE OR MORE MOTION PICTURES IN THIS STATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE TAX CREDITS ALLOWED UNDER SECTION 43-1082 OR 43-1165.
- B. TO QUALIFY FOR THE PROGRAM, A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY SHALL:
 - DO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) USE A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY IN THIS STATE TO PRODUCE THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION.
- (b) IF THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION IS FILMED PRIMARILY ON LOCATION, PRODUCE AND FILM THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION PRIMARILY IN THIS STATE AND PERFORM ALL PREPRODUCTION, POSTPRODUCTION AND EDITING AT A FACILITY IN THIS STATE, IF A FACILITY IS AVAILABLE.
- 2. MAINTAIN THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY'S FULL-TIME PRODUCTION LABOR POSITIONS IN THIS STATE.
- 3. INCLUDE IN THE CREDITS FOR EACH MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT THE PRODUCTION WAS FILMED IN ARIZONA.
- 4. SUBMIT A COMPLETED APPLICATION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION C OF THIS SECTION. AN APPLICATION IS COMPLETE ON RECEIPT OF ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION.
- 5. PROVIDE SUPPORTING STATEMENTS AND RECORDS REQUESTED BY THE AUTHORITY TO DEMONSTRATE THAT THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY SATISFIES THE CRITERIA PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION.
- C. THE APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL BE ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE AUTHORITY AND SHALL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. THE NAME, ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER AND WEBSITE OF THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY.
- 2. THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO WILL MAINTAIN RECORDS OF EXPENDITURES IN THIS STATE.
- 3. THE PROJECTED FIRST PREPRODUCTION DATE AND LAST PRODUCTION DATE IN THIS STATE.
- 4. THE PRODUCTION OFFICE ADDRESS AND OFFICE TELEPHONE NUMBER IN 42 THIS STATE.
 - 5. THE ESTIMATED TOTAL BUDGET OF THE PRODUCTION.
 - 6. THE ESTIMATED TOTAL PRODUCTION COST EXPENDITURES IN THIS STATE.

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- 7. THE ESTIMATED TOTAL PERCENTAGE OF THE PRODUCTION THAT WILL TAKE PLACE IN THIS STATE.
- 8. THE ESTIMATED NUMBER OF FULL-TIME PRODUCTION LABOR EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS IN THIS STATE.
- 9. THE ESTIMATED LEVEL OF EMPLOYMENT OF RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE IN THE CAST AND CREW.
- 10. A SCRIPT, INCLUDING A SYNOPSIS, THE PROPOSED DIRECTOR AND A PRELIMINARY LIST OF THE CAST AND PRODUCER.
- 11. AN AFFIDAVIT THAT ATTESTS THAT THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY WILL MEET ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY FOR THE TAX CREDITS, INCLUDING THAT THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY WILL USE A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY IN THIS STATE TO PRODUCE THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION OR OTHERWISE SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS PRESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SECTION.
 - D. THE AUTHORITY SHALL ESTABLISH PROCESSES TO:
- 1. REVIEW A COMPLETED INITIAL APPLICATION SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION WITHIN A TIME PERIOD PRESCRIBED BY THE AUTHORITY BY RULE TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY SATISFIES ALL OF THE CRITERIA PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION.
- 2. CERTIFY AND PREAPPROVE A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY FOR THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION TAX CREDITS UNDER SECTION 43-1082 OR 43-1165. PREAPPROVAL PRIORITY SHALL BE BASED ON THE DATE THAT THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY FILES A COMPLETE INITIAL APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION WITH THE AUTHORITY.
- E. THE PREAPPROVED AMOUNT APPLIES AGAINST THE APPLICABLE DOLLAR LIMIT PRESCRIBED BY SUBSECTION I OF THIS SECTION FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR IN WHICH THE APPLICATION WAS SUBMITTED REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE PREAPPROVAL PERIOD EXTENDS INTO THE FOLLOWING YEAR OR YEARS.
- F. THE AUTHORITY SHALL DENY AN APPLICATION IF THE AUTHORITY DETERMINES THAT:
- 1. THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY DOES NOT MEET ALL OF THE ESTABLISHED CRITERIA PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION.
- 2. THE PRODUCTION WOULD CONSTITUTE AN OBSCENE MOTION PICTURE FILM OR OBSCENE PICTORIAL PUBLICATION UNDER TITLE 12, CHAPTER 7, ARTICLE 1.1.
- 3. THE PRODUCTION VIOLATES THE OBSCENITY LAWS UNDER TITLE 13, CHAPTER 35.
- 4. THE PRODUCTION WOULD CONSTITUTE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR OR COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR UNDER TITLE 13, CHAPTER 35.1.
- G. ON A DETERMINATION BY THE AUTHORITY THAT A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY QUALIFIES FOR THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION TAX CREDITS UNDER SECTION 43-1082 OR 43-1165, THE AUTHORITY SHALL ISSUE THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY A PREAPPROVAL LETTER AND TRANSMIT A COPY OF THE PREAPPROVAL LETTER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE. A PREAPPROVAL LETTER IS EFFECTIVE FOR A TIME PERIOD PRESCRIBED BY THE AUTHORITY BY RULE THAT SHALL BE STATED IN THE PREAPPROVAL LETTER. A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY

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 MAY APPLY TO THE AUTHORITY TO EXTEND THE PREAPPROVAL PERIOD IF THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY CAN DEMONSTRATE THE PREAPPROVAL LETTER WILL EXPIRE BEFORE THE PRODUCTION IS COMPLETE.

- H. ON COMPLETION OF THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION, A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY THAT IS PREAPPROVED FOR THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION TAX CREDITS UNDER SECTION 43-1082 OR 43-1165 SHALL APPLY TO THE AUTHORITY, ON A FORM PRESCRIBED BY THE AUTHORITY, FOR APPROVAL OF MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION TAX CREDITS AND PROVIDE AN AUDITED STATEMENT COMPLETED BY A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT IN THIS STATE THAT CERTIFIES THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF ELIGIBLE PRODUCTION COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PRODUCTION. THE AUTHORITY SHALL PROVIDE POSTAPPROVAL TO A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY THAT THE COMPANY HAS MET THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION AND NOTIFY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE THAT THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY MAY CLAIM THE TAX CREDITS UNDER SECTION 43-1082 OR 43-1165.
- I. THE AUTHORITY MAY NOT PREAPPROVE TAX CREDITS EXCEEDING A TOTAL OF \$150,000,000 IN ANY CALENDAR YEAR, OF WHICH UP TO \$25,000,000 MAY BE USED FOR MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTIONS THAT QUALIFY FOR THE PROGRAM PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 1, SUBDIVISION (b) OF THIS SECTION.
- J. ANY INFORMATION GATHERED FROM MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION IS CONSIDERED CONFIDENTIAL TAXPAYER INFORMATION AND SHALL BE DISCLOSED ONLY AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 42-2003, SUBSECTION B, PARAGRAPH 12.
- K. THE AUTHORITY SHALL ADOPT FEES AND DEPOSIT REQUIREMENTS, RULES AND PUBLISH AND PRESCRIBE FORMS AND PROCEDURES AS NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER THIS SECTION AND PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES.
- L. THE AUTHORITY SHALL SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31 EACH YEAR TO THE GOVERNOR, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SHALL PROVIDE A COPY OF THIS REPORT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE. THE AUTHORITY SHALL ALSO MAKE THE REPORT AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC ON REQUEST. THE REPORT SHALL INCLUDE:
- 1. INFORMATION RELATING TO THE PROGRAM'S ACTIVITIES, RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.
- 2. INFORMATION COMPARING THE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF MONIES CREDITED TO CERTIFIED MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANIES TO THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF MONIES SPENT ON IN-STATE PRODUCTION COSTS BY MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANIES.
- 3. QUARTERLY DATA ON THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF MOTION PICTURE INDUSTRY EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES IN THIS STATE.
- M. BEGINNING ON THE FIFTH YEAR AFTER THE AUTHORITY ISSUES THE FIRST PREAPPROVAL LETTER AND AT LEAST EVERY FIFTH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE AUTHORITY SHALL PERFORM AN AUDIT OF THE PROGRAM. ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30 OF THE RESPECTIVE YEAR, THE AUTHORITY SHALL ISSUE A PUBLIC REPORT OF THE AUDIT AND SUBMIT THE REPORT OF THE AUDIT TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND THE

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44 45 SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SHALL PROVIDE A COPY TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE. THE AUDIT PERFORMED ON THE TWENTIETH YEAR AFTER THE FIRST AUDIT BY THE AUTHORITY SHALL INCLUDE A RECOMMENDATION FOR WHETHER THE LEGISLATURE SHOULD REPEAL THE PROGRAM.

- N. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:
- 1. "MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION" MEANS A SINGLE MEDIUM OR MULTIMEDIA PROGRAM, INCLUDING A FEATURE FILM, EPISODIC TELEVISION SERIES OR COMMERCIAL ADVERTISEMENT MESSAGE, THAT:
 - (a) IS CREATED BY PRODUCTION ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED IN THIS STATE.
 - (b) CAN BE VIEWED OR REPRODUCED.
- (c) IS INTENDED FOR COMMERCIAL DISTRIBUTION OR LICENSING IN THE DELIVERY MEDIUM USED.
- 2. "MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY" MEANS ANY PERSON PRIMARILY ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF PRODUCING MOTION PICTURES AND THAT HAS A PHYSICAL BUSINESS OFFICE IN THIS STATE.
- 3. "ON LOCATION" MEANS A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION THAT DOES NOT USE AN INDUSTRY STANDARD PRODUCTION FACILITY TO PRODUCE AND FILM THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION.
 - 4. "PRODUCTION COSTS":
 - (a) MEANS THE FOLLOWING COSTS INCURRED IN THIS STATE:
- (i) ALL COMPENSATION PAID TO TALENT, WRITERS, DIRECTORS AND MANAGEMENT.
 - (ii) ALL COMPENSATION PAID FOR PRODUCTION LABOR.
- (iii) SET CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION COSTS PAID PURSUANT TO CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS WITH CONTRACTORS WHO ARE LICENSED UNDER TITLE 32, CHAPTER 10.
 - (iv) WARDROBE, PROPS, ACCESSORIES AND RELATED SERVICES.
 - (v) PHOTOGRAPHY, SOUND SYNCHRONIZATION, LIGHTING AND RELATED COSTS.
 - (vi) EDITING AND RELATED SERVICES.
 - (vii) RENTAL OF QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITIES.
 - (viii) RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT.
- (ix) CATERED FOOD, DRINK AND CONDIMENT PURCHASED FROM A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY.
- (x) OTHER DIRECT IN-STATE COSTS OF PRODUCING THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION PURSUANT TO RULES ADOPTED BY THE AUTHORITY.
- (b) DOES NOT INCLUDE PAYMENTS FOR PENALTIES AND FINES OR FEES OR DEPOSITS ESTABLISHED BY THE AUTHORITY OR THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM.
- 5. "PRODUCTION LABOR" MEANS ALL LABORERS WORKING ON A PRODUCTION THAT ARE NOT TALENT, WRITERS, DIRECTORS, PRODUCERS OR MANAGEMENT.
- 6. "PROGRAM" MEANS THE ARIZONA MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION PROGRAM IMPLEMENTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION.
- 7. "QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY" MEANS A STRUCTURE THAT IS BUILT FOR FILM INDUSTRY PURPOSES, IS LOCATED IN THIS STATE, IS AT LEAST TEN THOUSAND SQUARE FEET AND MEETS GENERALLY ACCEPTED INDUSTRY STANDARDS,

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INCLUDING STANDARDS FOR SOUNDPROOFING, LIGHTING, AIR CONDITIONING AND MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION QUALITY TECHNOLOGY FOR PRODUCING, FILMING OR OTHERWISE CREATING A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION.

Sec. 2. Section 42-1122, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

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42-1122. <u>Setoff for debts to state agencies, political</u>
subdivisions and courts; revolving fund;
penalties; definitions
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- A. The department shall establish a liability setoff program by which refunds under sections SECTION 42-1118 and $\frac{43-1072}{100}$ TITLE 43, CHAPTERS 10 AND 11 may be used to satisfy debts that the taxpayer owes to this state, a political subdivision or a court. The program shall comply with the standards and requirements prescribed by this section.
- B. If a taxpayer owes an agency, political subdivision or court a debt, the agency, political subdivision or court, by November 1 of each year, may notify the department, furnishing at least the state agency, court or program identifier, the taxpayer's first name, last name, middle initial or middle name and suffix and social security number and any other available identification that the agency, political subdivision or court deems appropriate of the debtor as shown on the records of the agency, political subdivision or court, and the amount of the debt.
- C. The department shall match the information submitted by the agency, political subdivision or court by at least two items of identification of the taxpayer with taxpayers who qualify for refunds under section 42-1118 and shall:
- 1. Notify the agency, political subdivision or court of a potential match, the taxpayer's home address and any additional taxpayer identification numbers used by the taxpayer. Even if the taxpayer is not entitled to a refund, the department of revenue shall provide to:
- (a) The court, the clerk of the court and the department of economic security, for child support and spousal maintenance purposes only, the home address of a taxpayer whose debt for overdue support is referred for setoff and any additional taxpayer identification numbers used by the taxpayer.
- (b) The court the home address and any additional taxpayer identification numbers used by the taxpayer whose debt for a court obligation is referred for setoff and who is identified by the court as a probationer on absconder status.
- 2. Request final agency, political subdivision or court confirmation in writing or electronically as determined by the department within ten days after the match and of the continuation of the debt. If the agency, political subdivision or court fails to provide confirmation within forty-five days after the request, the department shall release the refund to the taxpayer.

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- D. An agency, political subdivision or court may submit updated information, additions, deletions and other changes on a quarterly or more frequent basis, at the convenience of the agency, political subdivision or court.
- E. On confirmation pursuant to subsection C, paragraph 2 of this section, the agency or political subdivision shall notify the taxpayer, by mail to the most recent physical address or electronically to the most recent e-mail EMAIL address provided by the taxpayer to the department:
 - 1. Of the intention to set off the debt against the refund due.
- 2. Of the taxpayer's right to appeal to the appropriate court or to request a review by the agency or political subdivision pursuant to agency or political subdivision rule, within thirty days after the physical or electronic mailing of the notice.
- F. In addition, the taxpayer shall receive notice that if the refund is intercepted in error through no fault of the taxpayer, the taxpayer is entitled to the full refund plus interest and penalties from the agency, political subdivision or court as provided by subsection 0 of this section.
- G. The basis for a request for review as provided by subsection E of this section shall not include the validity of the claim if its validity has been established at an agency hearing, by judicial review in a court of competent jurisdiction in this or any other state or by final administrative decision and shall state with specificity why the taxpayer claims the obligation does not exist or why the amount of the obligation is incorrect.
- H. If, within thirty days after the physical or electronic mailing of the notice, the taxpayer requests a review by the agency or political subdivision or provides the agency or political subdivision with proof that an appeal has been taken to the appropriate court, the agency or political subdivision shall immediately notify the department and the setoff procedure shall be stayed pending resolution of the review or appeal.
- I. If the department does not receive notice of a timely appeal, it shall draw and deliver a warrant in the amount of the available refund up to the amount of the debt in favor of the agency or political subdivision and notify the taxpayer of the action by physical mail or e-mail EMAIL.
- J. Subsections E, G, H and I of this section do not apply to a debt imposed by a court except that the taxpayer shall receive notice of the intent to set off the debt against the refund due and the right to appeal to the court that imposed the debt within thirty days after the physical or electronic mailing of the notice. The basis for the request for review shall not include the validity of the claim and shall state with specificity why the taxpayer claims the obligation does not exist or why the obligation is incorrect.

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- K. If the setoff accounts for only a portion of the refund due, the remainder of the refund shall be sent to the taxpayer. A court shall not use this section to satisfy a judgment or payment of a fine or civil penalty until the judgment has become final or until the time to appeal the imposition of a fine or civil penalty has expired.
- L. A revolving fund is established to recover and pay the cost of operating the setoff program under this section. Monies in the fund may also be used for the general operating expenses of the department. The department may prescribe a fee to be collected from each agency, political subdivision or court using the setoff procedure or from the taxpayer, and the amount shall be deposited in the fund. The amount of the fee shall reasonably reflect the actual cost of the service provided. Monies in the revolving fund are subject to legislative appropriation.
- M. If agencies, political subdivisions or courts have two or more delinquent accounts for the same taxpayer, the refund may be apportioned among them pursuant to rules prescribed by the department of revenue, except that a setoff to the department of economic security for overdue support has priority over all other setoffs.
- N. If the refund is insufficient to satisfy the entire debt, the remainder of the debt may be collected by the agency, political subdivision or court as provided by law or resubmitted for setoff against subsequent refunds.
- 0. In the case of a refund that is intercepted in error through no fault of the taxpayer under this section, the taxpayer shall be reimbursed by the agency, political subdivision or court with interest pursuant to section 42-1123. In addition, if all or part of a refund is intercepted in error due to an agency, political subdivision or court incorrectly identifying a taxpayer as a debtor through no fault of the taxpayer, the agency, political subdivision or court shall also pay the taxpayer a penalty as follows:
- 1. If the agency, political subdivision or court reimburses the taxpayer sixteen through one hundred eighty days after the agency, political subdivision or court receives notification that the refund was erroneously intercepted and the refund was received by the agency, political subdivision or court, the penalty is equal to ten percent of the amount of the refund that was intercepted.
- 2. If the agency, political subdivision or court reimburses the taxpayer one hundred eighty-one through three hundred sixty-five days after the agency, political subdivision or court receives notification that the refund was erroneously intercepted and the refund was received by the agency, political subdivision or court, the penalty is equal to fifteen percent of the amount of the refund that was intercepted.
- 3. If the agency, political subdivision or court fails to reimburse the taxpayer within three hundred sixty-five days after the agency, political subdivision or court receives notification that the refund was

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 erroneously intercepted and the refund was received by the agency, political subdivision or court, the penalty is equal to twenty percent of the amount of the refund that was intercepted.

- P. The time periods set forth in subsection 0 of this section shall be stayed during a review of an agency decision pursuant to section 25-522.
- Q. Except as is reasonably necessary to accomplish the purposes of this section, the department shall not disclose under this section any information in violation of chapter 2, article 1 of this title.
- R. An agency, political subdivision or court shall not enter into an agreement with a debtor for:
- 1. The assignment of any prospective refund to the agency, political subdivision or court in satisfaction of the debt.
- 2. Payment of the debt if the debt has been confirmed to the department for setoff under subsection C, paragraph 2 of this section.
- S. If a tax refund is based on a joint income tax return and the department of economic security receives a written claim from the nonobligated spouse within forty-five days after the notice of a setoff for overdue child support, the setoff only applies to that portion of the refund due to the obligor. The nonobligated spouse shall provide to the department of economic security copies of both the obligated and nonobligated spouse's federal W-2 forms and evidence of estimated tax payments supporting the proportionate share of each spouse's payment of tax. The department of economic security shall retain the amount of the setoff refund due to the obligated spouse determined by a proration based on the tax payments of each spouse by estimated tax payment or tax withheld from wages.
 - T. For the purposes of this section:
 - 1. "Agency" means:
- (a) A department, agency, board, commission or institution of this state.
- (b) A corporation that is under contract with this state and that provides a service that would otherwise be provided by a department, agency, board, commission or institution of this state, if the contract specifically authorizes participation in the liability setoff program and the attorney general's office has reviewed the contract and approves such authorization. The participation in the liability setoff program shall be limited to debt related to the services the corporation provides for or on behalf of this state.
- 2. "Court" means all courts of record, justice courts and municipal courts.
 - 3. "Debt":
- (a) Means an amount over \$50 that is owed to an agency, political subdivision or court by a taxpayer and may include a judgment in favor of this state or a political subdivision of this state, interest, penalties,

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 charges, costs, fees, fines, civil penalties, surcharges, assessments, administrative charges or any other amount.

- (b) Includes monies that are owed by a taxpayer for overdue support and that are referred to the department of economic security or the clerk of the court for collection.
- 4. "Overdue support" means a delinquency in court ordered payments for spousal maintenance or support of a child or for spousal maintenance to the parent with whom the child is living if child support is also being enforced pursuant to an assignment or application filed under 42 United States Code section 654(6) or other applicable law.
- 5. "Political subdivision" means a county or an incorporated city or town in this state.
- Sec. 3. Section 42-2003, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

42-2003. <u>Authorized disclosure of confidential information</u>

- A. Confidential information relating to:
- 1. A taxpayer may be disclosed to the taxpayer, its successor in interest or a designee of the taxpayer who is authorized in writing by the taxpayer. A principal corporate officer of a parent corporation may execute a written authorization for a controlled subsidiary.
- 2. A corporate taxpayer may be disclosed to any principal officer, any person designated by a principal officer or any person designated in a resolution by the corporate board of directors or other similar governing body. If a corporate officer signs a statement under penalty of perjury representing that the officer is a principal officer, the department may rely on the statement until the statement is shown to be false. For the purposes of this paragraph, "principal officer" includes a chief executive officer, president, secretary, treasurer, vice president of tax, chief financial officer, chief operating officer or chief tax officer or any other corporate officer who has the authority to bind the taxpayer on matters related to state taxes.
- 3. A partnership may be disclosed to any partner of the partnership. This exception does not include disclosure of confidential information of a particular partner unless otherwise authorized.
- 4. A limited liability company may be disclosed to any member of the company or, if the company is manager-managed, to any manager.
- 5. An estate may be disclosed to the personal representative of the estate and to any heir, next of kin or beneficiary under the will of the decedent if the department finds that the heir, next of kin or beneficiary has a material interest that will be affected by the confidential information.
- 6. A trust may be disclosed to the trustee or trustees, jointly or separately, and to the grantor or any beneficiary of the trust if the department finds that the grantor or beneficiary has a material interest that will be affected by the confidential information.

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- 7. A government entity may be disclosed to the head of the entity or a member of the governing board of the entity, or any employee of the entity who has been delegated the authorization in writing by the head of the entity or the governing board of the entity.
- 8. Any taxpayer may be disclosed if the taxpayer has waived any rights to confidentiality either in writing or on the record in any administrative or judicial proceeding.
- 9. The name and taxpayer identification numbers of persons issued direct payment permits may be publicly disclosed.
- 10. Any taxpayer may be disclosed during a meeting or telephone call if the taxpayer is present during the meeting or telephone call and authorizes the disclosure of confidential information.
 - B. Confidential information may be disclosed to:
- 1. Any employee of the department whose official duties involve tax administration.
- 2. The office of the attorney general solely for its use in preparation for, or in an investigation that may result in, any proceeding involving tax administration before the department or any other agency or board of this state, or before any grand jury or any state or federal court.
- 3. The department of liquor licenses and control for its use in determining whether a spirituous liquor licensee has paid all transaction privilege taxes and affiliated excise taxes incurred as a result of the sale of spirituous liquor, as defined in section 4-101, at the licensed establishment and imposed on the licensed establishments by this state and its political subdivisions.
- 4. Other state tax officials whose official duties require the disclosure for proper tax administration purposes if the information is sought in connection with an investigation or any other proceeding conducted by the official. Any disclosure is limited to information of a taxpayer who is being investigated or who is a party to a proceeding conducted by the official.
- 5. The following agencies, officials and organizations, if they grant substantially similar privileges to the department for the type of information being sought, pursuant to statute and a written agreement between the department and the foreign country, agency, state, Indian tribe or organization:
- (a) The United States internal revenue service, alcohol and tobacco tax and trade bureau of the United States treasury, United States bureau of alcohol, tobacco, firearms and explosives of the United States department of justice, United States drug enforcement agency and federal bureau of investigation.
 - (b) A state tax official of another state.

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- (c) An organization of states, federation of tax administrators or multistate tax commission that operates an information exchange for tax administration purposes.
- (d) An agency, official or organization of a foreign country with responsibilities that are comparable to those listed in subdivision (a),(b) or (c) of this paragraph.
- (e) An agency, official or organization of an Indian tribal government with responsibilities comparable to the responsibilities of the agencies, officials or organizations identified in subdivision (a), (b) or (c) of this paragraph.
- 6. The auditor general, in connection with any audit of the department subject to the restrictions in section 42-2002, subsection D.
- 7. Any person to the extent necessary for effective tax administration in connection with:
- (a) The processing, storage, transmission, destruction and reproduction of the information.
- (b) The programming, maintenance, repair, testing and procurement of equipment for purposes of tax administration.
 - (c) The collection of the taxpayer's civil liability.
- 8. The office of administrative hearings relating to taxes administered by the department pursuant to section 42-1101, but the department shall not disclose any confidential information without the taxpayer's written consent:
 - (a) Regarding income tax or withholding tax.
- (b) On any tax issue relating to information associated with the reporting of income tax or withholding tax.
- 9. The United States treasury inspector general for tax administration for the purpose of reporting a violation of internal revenue code section 7213A (26 United States Code section 7213A), unauthorized inspection of returns or return information.
- $10.\$ The financial management service of the United States treasury department for use in the treasury offset program.
- 11. The United States treasury department or its authorized agent for use in the state income tax levy program and in the electronic federal tax payment system.
 - 12. The Arizona commerce authority for its use in:
- (a) Qualifying renewable energy operations for the tax incentives under section 42-12006.
- (b) Qualifying businesses with a qualified facility for income tax credits under sections 43-1083.03 and 43-1164.04.
- (c) Fulfilling its annual reporting responsibility pursuant to section 41-1511, subsections U and V, and section 41-1512, subsections U and V AND SECTION 41-1517, SUBSECTION L.
- (d) Certifying computer data centers for tax relief under section 41-1519.

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- (e) CERTIFYING APPLICANTS FOR THE TAX CREDIT FOR MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COSTS UNDER SECTIONS 43-1082 AND 43-1165.
 - 13. A prosecutor for purposes of section 32-1164, subsection C.
- 14. The office of the state fire marshal for use in determining compliance with and enforcing title 37, chapter 9, article 5.
- 15. The department of transportation for its use in administering taxes, surcharges and penalties prescribed by title 28.
- 16. The Arizona health care cost containment system administration for its use in administering nursing facility provider assessments.
- 17. The department of administration risk management division and the office of the attorney general if the information relates to a claim against this state pursuant to section 12-821.01 involving the department of revenue.
- 18. Another state agency if the taxpayer authorizes the disclosure of confidential information in writing, including an authorization that is part of an application form or other document submitted to the agency.
- 19. The department of economic security for its use in determining whether an employer has paid all amounts due under the unemployment insurance program pursuant to title 23, chapter 4.
- 20. The department of health services for its use in determining the following:
- (a) Whether a medical marijuana dispensary is in compliance with the tax requirements of chapter 5 of this title for the purposes of section 36-2806, subsection A.
- (b) Whether a marijuana establishment, marijuana testing facility or dual licensee licensed under title 36, chapter 28.2 is in compliance with the tax obligations under this title or title 43.
- C. Confidential information may be disclosed in any state or federal judicial or administrative proceeding pertaining to tax administration pursuant to the following conditions:
 - 1. One or more of the following circumstances must apply:
 - (a) The taxpayer is a party to the proceeding.
- (b) The proceeding arose out of, or in connection with, determining the taxpayer's civil or criminal liability, or the collection of the taxpayer's civil liability, with respect to any tax imposed under this title or title 43.
- (c) The treatment of an item reflected on the taxpayer's return is directly related to the resolution of an issue in the proceeding.
- (d) Return information directly relates to a transactional relationship between a person who is a party to the proceeding and the taxpayer and directly affects the resolution of an issue in the proceeding.
- 2. Confidential information may not be disclosed under this subsection if the disclosure is prohibited by section 42-2002, subsection ${\tt C}$ or ${\tt D}$.

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- D. Identity information may be disclosed for purposes of notifying persons entitled to tax refunds if the department is unable to locate the persons after reasonable effort.
- E. The department, on the request of any person, shall provide the names and addresses of bingo licensees as defined in section 5-401, verify whether or not a person has a privilege license and number, a tobacco product distributor's license and number or a withholding license and number or disclose the information to be posted on the department's website or otherwise publicly accessible pursuant to section 42-1124, subsection F and section 42-3401.
- F. A department employee, in connection with the official duties relating to any audit, collection activity or civil or criminal investigation, may disclose return information to the extent that disclosure is necessary to obtain information that is not otherwise reasonably available. These official duties include the correct determination of and liability for tax, the amount to be collected or the enforcement of other state tax revenue laws.
- G. Confidential information relating to transaction privilege tax, use tax, severance tax, jet fuel excise and use tax and any other tax collected by the department on behalf of any jurisdiction may be disclosed to any county, city or town tax official if the information relates to a taxpayer who is or may be taxable by a county, city or town or who may be subject to audit by the department pursuant to section 42-6002. Any taxpayer information that is released by the department to the county, city or town:
- 1. May be used only for internal purposes, including audits. If there is a legitimate business need relating to enforcing laws, regulations and ordinances pursuant to section 9-500.39 or 11-269.17, a county, city or town tax official may redisclose transaction privilege tax information relating to a vacation rental or short-term rental property owner or online lodging operator from the new license report and license update report, subject to the following:
 - (a) The information redisclosed is limited to the following:
 - (i) The transaction privilege tax license number.
 - (ii) The type of organization or ownership of the business.
- (iii) The legal business name and doing business as name, if different from the legal name.
- (iv) The business mailing address, tax record physical location address, telephone number, email address and fax number.
- (v) The date the business started in this state, the business description and the North American industry classification system code.
- (vi) The name, address and telephone number for each owner, partner, corporate officer, member, managing member or official of the employing unit.

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- (b) Redisclosure is limited to nonelected officials in other units within the county, city or town. The information may not be redisclosed to an elected official or the elected official's staff.
- (c) All redisclosures of confidential information made pursuant to this paragraph are subject to paragraph 2 of this subsection.
- 2. May not be disclosed to the public in any manner that does not comply with confidentiality standards established by the department. The county, city or town shall agree in writing with the department that any release of confidential information that violates the confidentiality standards adopted by the department will result in the immediate suspension of any rights of the county, city or town to receive taxpayer information under this subsection.
- H. The department may disclose statistical information gathered from confidential information if it does not disclose confidential information attributable to any one taxpayer. The department may disclose statistical information gathered from confidential information, even if it discloses confidential information attributable to a taxpayer, to:
- 1. The state treasurer in order to comply with the requirements of section 42-5029, subsection A, paragraph 3.
- 2. The joint legislative income tax credit review committee, the joint legislative budget committee staff and the legislative staff in order to comply with the requirements of section 43-221.
- I. The department may disclose the aggregate amounts of any tax credit, tax deduction or tax exemption enacted after January 1, 1994. Information subject to disclosure under this subsection shall not be disclosed if a taxpayer demonstrates to the department that such information would give an unfair advantage to competitors.
- J. Except as provided in section 42-2002, subsection C, confidential information, described in section 42-2001, paragraph 1, subdivision (a), item (ii), may be disclosed to law enforcement agencies for law enforcement purposes.
- K. The department may provide transaction privilege tax license information to property tax officials in a county for the purpose of identification and verification of the tax status of commercial property.
- L. The department may provide transaction privilege tax, luxury tax, use tax, property tax and severance tax information to the ombudsman-citizens aide pursuant to title 41, chapter 8, article 5.
- M. Except as provided in section 42-2002, subsection D, a court may order the department to disclose confidential information pertaining to a party to an action. An order shall be made only on a showing of good cause and that the party seeking the information has made demand on the taxpayer for the information.
- ${\tt N.}$ This section does not prohibit the disclosure by the department of any information or documents submitted to the department by a bingo

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licensee. Before disclosing the information, the department shall obtain the name and address of the person requesting the information.

- O. If the department is required or permitted ALLOWED to disclose confidential information, it may charge the person or agency requesting the information for the reasonable cost of its services.
- P. Except as provided in section 42-2002, subsection D, the department of revenue shall release confidential information as requested by the department of economic security pursuant to section 42-1122 or 46-291. Information disclosed under this subsection is limited to the same type of information that the United States internal revenue service is authorized to disclose under section 6103(1)(6) of the internal revenue code.
- Q. Except as provided in section 42-2002, subsection D, the department shall release confidential information as requested by the courts and clerks of the court pursuant to section 42-1122.
- R. To comply with the requirements of section 42-5031, the department may disclose to the state treasurer, to the county stadium district board of directors and to any city or town tax official that is part of the county stadium district confidential information attributable to a taxpayer's business activity conducted in the county stadium district.
- S. The department shall release to the attorney general confidential information as requested by the attorney general for purposes of determining compliance with or enforcing any of the following:
- 1. Any public health control law relating to tobacco sales as provided under title 36, chapter 6, article 14.
- 2. Any law relating to reduced cigarette ignition propensity standards as provided under title 37, chapter 9, article 5.
- 3. Sections 44-7101 and 44-7111, the master settlement agreement referred to in those sections and all agreements regarding disputes under the master settlement agreement.
- T. For proceedings before the department, the office administrative hearings, the state board of tax appeals or any state or federal court involving penalties that were assessed against a return preparer, an electronic return preparer or a payroll service company pursuant to section 42-1103.02, 42-1125.01 or 43-419, confidential information may be disclosed only before the judge or administrative law judge adjudicating the proceeding, the parties to the proceeding and the parties' representatives in the proceeding prior to its introduction into evidence in the proceeding. The confidential information introduced as evidence in the proceeding only if the taxpayer's name, the names of any dependents listed on the return, all social security numbers, the taxpayer's address, the taxpayer's signature and any attachments containing any of the foregoing information are redacted and if either:

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- 1. The treatment of an item reflected on such a return is or may be related to the resolution of an issue in the proceeding.
- 2. Such a return or the return information relates or may relate to a transactional relationship between a person who is a party to the proceeding and the taxpayer that directly affects the resolution of an issue in the proceeding.
- 3. The method of payment of the taxpayer's withholding tax liability or the method of filing the taxpayer's withholding tax return is an issue for the period.
- U. The department and attorney general may share the information specified in subsection S of this section with any of the following:
- 1. Federal, state or local agencies located in this state for the purposes of enforcement of the statutes or agreements specified in subsection S of this section or for the purposes of enforcement of corresponding laws of other states.
- 2. Indian tribes located in this state for the purposes of enforcement of the statutes or agreements specified in subsection ${\sf S}$ of this section.
- 3. A court, arbitrator, data clearinghouse or similar entity for the purpose of assessing compliance with or making calculations required by the master settlement agreement or agreements regarding disputes under the master settlement agreement, and with counsel for the parties or expert witnesses in any such proceeding, if the information otherwise remains confidential.
- V. The department may provide the name and address of qualifying hospitals and qualifying health care organizations, as defined in section 42-5001, to a business that is classified and reporting transaction privilege tax under the utilities classification.
- W. The department may disclose to an official of any city, town or county in a current agreement or considering a prospective agreement with the department as described in section 42-5032.02, subsection G any information relating to amounts that are subject to distribution and that are required by section 42-5032.02. Information disclosed by the department under this subsection:
- 1. May $\frac{\text{only}}{\text{only}}$ be used ONLY by the city, town or county for internal purposes.
- 2. May not be disclosed to the public in any manner that does not comply with confidentiality standards established by the department. The city, town or county must agree with the department in writing that any release of confidential information that violates the confidentiality standards will result in the immediate suspension of any rights of the city, town or county to receive information under this subsection.
- X. Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the department may not disclose information provided by an online lodging marketplace, as defined in section 42-5076, without the written consent of

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the online lodging marketplace, and the information may be disclosed only pursuant to subsection A, paragraphs 1 through 6, 8 and 10, subsection B, paragraphs 1, 2, 7 and 8 and subsections C, D and G of this section. Such information:

- 1. Is not subject to disclosure pursuant to title 39, relating to public records.
- 2. May not be disclosed to any agency of this state or of any county, city, town or other political subdivision of this state.
- Sec. 4. Section 43-222, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

43-222. <u>Income tax credit review schedule</u>

The joint legislative income tax credit review committee shall review the following income tax credits:

- 1. For years ending in 0 and 5, sections 43-1079.01, 43-1088, 43-1089.04, 43-1167.01 and 43-1175.
- 2. For years ending in 1 and 6, sections 43-1072.02, 43-1074.02, 43-1075, 43-1076.01, 43-1077, 43-1078, 43-1083, 43-1083.02, 43-1162, 43-1164.03 and 43-1183.
- 3. For years ending in 2 and 7, sections 43-1073, 43-1082, 43-1085, 43-1086, 43-1089, 43-1089.01, 43-1089.02, 43-1089.03, 43-1164, 43-1165, 43-1169 and 43-1181.
- 4. For years ending in 3 and 8, sections 43-1074.01, 43-1081, 43-1168, 43-1170 and 43-1178.
- 5. For years ending in 4 and 9, sections 43-1073.01, 43-1076, 43-1081.01, 43-1083.03, 43-1084, 43-1164.04, 43-1164.05 and 43-1184.
- Sec. 5. Section 43-1021, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

43-1021. Addition to Arizona gross income

In computing Arizona adjusted gross income, the following amounts shall be added to Arizona gross income:

- 1. A beneficiary's share of the fiduciary adjustment to the extent that the amount determined by section 43-1333 increases the beneficiary's Arizona gross income.
- 2. An amount equal to the ordinary income portion of a lump sum distribution that was excluded from federal adjusted gross income pursuant to the special rule for individuals who attained fifty years of age before January 1, 1986 under Public Law 99-514, section 1122(h)(3).
- 3. The amount of interest income received on obligations of any state, territory or possession of the United States, or any political subdivision thereof, located outside the OF THIS state of Arizona, reduced, for taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 1996, by the amount of any interest on indebtedness and other related expenses that were incurred or continued to purchase or carry those obligations and that are not otherwise deducted or subtracted in arriving at Arizona gross income.

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- 4. The excess of a partner's share of partnership taxable income required to be included under chapter 14, article 2 of this title over the income required to be reported under section 702(a)(8) of the internal revenue code.
- 5. The excess of a partner's share of partnership losses determined pursuant to section 702(a)(8) of the internal revenue code over the losses allowable under chapter 14, article 2 of this title.
- 6. Any amount of agricultural water conservation expenses that were deducted pursuant to the internal revenue code for which a credit is claimed under section 43-1084.
- 7. The amount by which the depreciation or amortization computed under the internal revenue code with respect to property for which a credit was taken under either section 43-1081 or 43-1081.01 exceeds the amount of depreciation or amortization computed pursuant to the internal revenue code on the Arizona adjusted basis of the property.
- 8. The amount by which the adjusted basis computed under the internal revenue code with respect to property for which a credit was claimed under section 43-1074.02, 43-1081 or 43-1081.01 and that is sold or otherwise disposed of during the taxable year exceeds the adjusted basis of the property computed under section 43-1074.02, 43-1081 or 43-1081.01, as applicable.
- 9. The deduction referred to in section 1341(a)(4) of the internal revenue code for restoration of a substantial amount held under a claim of right.
- 10. The amount by which a net operating loss carryover or capital loss carryover allowable pursuant to section 1341(b)(5) of the internal revenue code exceeds the net operating loss carryover or capital loss carryover allowable pursuant to section 43-1029, subsection F.
- 11. The amount of any depreciation allowance allowed pursuant to section 167(a) of the internal revenue code to the extent not previously added.
- 12. The amount of a nonqualified withdrawal, as defined in section 15-1871, from a college savings plan established pursuant to section 529 of the internal revenue code that is made to a distributee to the extent the amount is not included in computing federal adjusted gross income, except that the amount added under this paragraph shall not exceed the difference between the amount subtracted under section 43-1022 in prior taxable years and the amount added under this section in any prior taxable years.
- 13. If a subtraction is or has been taken by the taxpayer under section 43-1024, in the current or a prior taxable year for the full amount of eligible access expenditures paid or incurred to comply with the requirements of the Americans with disabilities act of 1990 (P.L. 101-336) or title 41, chapter 9, article 8, any amount of eligible access expenditures that is recognized under the internal revenue code, including

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 any amount that is amortized according to federal amortization schedules, and that is included in computing taxable income for the current taxable year.

- 14. For taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2017, the amount of any net capital loss included in Arizona gross income for the taxable year that is derived from the exchange of one kind of legal tender for another kind of legal tender. For the purposes of this paragraph:
- (a) "Legal tender" means a medium of exchange, including specie, that is authorized by the United States Constitution or Congress to pay debts, public charges, taxes and dues.
 - (b) "Specie" means coins having precious metal content.
- 15. For taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2021, the amount deducted by the partnership or S corporation pursuant to the internal revenue code for the amount paid to this state under section 43-1014 and for taxes that the department determines are substantially similar to the tax imposed under section 43-1014. This amount shall be reflected in the partner's or shareholder's Arizona gross income and the partnership's or S corporation's Arizona taxable income.
- 16. THE AMOUNT OF ANY MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COSTS THAT WAS DEDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE FOR WHICH A TAX CREDIT IS CLAIMED UNDER SECTION 43-1082.
- Sec. 6. Title 43, chapter 10, article 5, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 43-1082, to read:

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- A. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2022, A TAX CREDIT IS ALLOWED AGAINST PRODUCTION COSTS PAID BY A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY IN THIS STATE THAT ARE SUBJECT TO TAXATION BY THIS STATE AND THAT ARE DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL BE DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS:
- 1. AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO A PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE QUALIFIED PRODUCTION COSTS AS APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517 AS FOLLOWS:
- (a) FOR A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY THAT SPENDS UP TO \$10,000,000, FIFTEEN PERCENT.
- (b) FOR A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY THAT SPENDS MORE THAN \$10,000,000 BUT LESS THAN \$35,000,000, SEVENTEEN AND ONE-HALF PERCENT.
- (c) FOR A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY THAT SPENDS MORE THAN \$35,000,000, TWENTY PERCENT.
- 2. AN ADDITIONAL TWO AND ONE-HALF PERCENT OF THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY'S PRODUCTION LABOR COSTS RELATED TO POSITIONS HELD BY RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE AS APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517.

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- 3. IF THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY EITHER:
- (a) USES A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY IN THIS STATE TO PRODUCE THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION, AN ADDITIONAL TWO AND ONE-HALF PERCENT OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF QUALIFIED PRODUCTION COSTS AS APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517.
- (b) FILMS PRIMARILY ON LOCATION, PRODUCES AND FILMS THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION PRIMARILY IN THIS STATE AND PERFORMS ALL PREPRODUCTION, POSTPRODUCTION AND EDITING AT A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY IN THIS STATE, AN ADDITIONAL TWO AND ONE-HALF PERCENT OF THE TOTAL QUALIFIED PRODUCTION COSTS AS APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517.
- 4. AN ADDITIONAL TWO AND ONE-HALF PERCENT OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF QUALIFIED PRODUCTION COSTS AS APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517 IF THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION IS PRODUCED AND FILMED IN ASSOCIATION WITH A LONG-TERM TENANT OF A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY.
 - B. THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT ALLOW:
- 1. TAX CREDITS UNDER THIS SECTION AND SECTION 43-1165 IN ANY TAXABLE YEAR THAT EXCEED THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- 2. A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION TO A TAXPAYER THAT HAS A DELINQUENT TAX BALANCE OWED TO THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS TITLE.
- C. TO QUALIFY FOR A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION, THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY MUST:
 - 1. DO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) USE A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY IN THIS STATE TO PRODUCE THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION.
- (b) IF THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION IS FILMED PRIMARILY ON LOCATION, PRODUCE AND FILM THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION PRIMARILY IN THIS STATE AND PERFORM ALL PREPRODUCTION, POSTPRODUCTION AND EDITING AT A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY, IF A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY IS AVAILABLE.
- 2. MAINTAIN THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY'S FULL-TIME PRODUCTION LABOR POSITIONS IN THIS STATE.
- 3. INCLUDE IN THE CREDITS FOR EACH MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT THE PRODUCTION WAS FILMED IN ARIZONA.
- 4. RECEIVE PREAPPROVAL AND POSTAPPROVAL FROM THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517.
- D. CO-OWNERS OF A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY, INCLUDING PARTNERS IN A PARTNERSHIP, MEMBERS OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AND SHAREHOLDERS OF AN S CORPORATION, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1361 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, MAY EACH CLAIM THE PRO RATA SHARE OF THE TAX CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SECTION BASED ON OWNERSHIP INTERESTS. THE TOTAL OF THE TAX CREDITS ALLOWED ALL SUCH OWNERS MAY NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN ALLOWED A SOLE OWNER.

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- E. IF THE ALLOWABLE TAX CREDIT FOR A TAXPAYER EXCEEDS THE TAXES OTHERWISE DUE UNDER THIS TITLE ON THE CLAIMANT'S INCOME, AFTER APPLYING ALL OTHER TAX CREDITS TO WHICH THE CLAIMANT MAY BE ENTITLED AND AFTER ANY SETOFF UNDER SECTION 42-1122, NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 42-1118, THE EXCESS SHALL BE PAID WITHIN ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY DAYS AFTER RECEIVING THE NOTICE PROVIDED PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517, SUBSECTION H AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT BY RULE FOR PAYING THE CLAIMANT.
- F. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAINTAIN ANNUAL DATA ON THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONIES CREDITED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND SHALL PROVIDE THE DATA TO THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY ON REQUEST.
- G. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT FEES AND RULES AND PUBLISH AND PRESCRIBE FORMS AND PROCEDURES AS NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER THIS SECTION AND PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES.
- H. THE TAX CREDIT ALLOWED BY THIS SECTION IS IN LIEU OF ANY ALLOWANCE FOR STATE TAX PURPOSES OF A DEDUCTION OF THOSE EXPENSES ALLOWED BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.
 - I. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:
- 1. "LONG-TERM TENANT" MEANS A PERSON THAT ENTERS INTO A LEASE OF AT LEAST FIVE YEARS FOR THE USE OF A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY.
- 2. "MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- 3. "MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- 4. "ON LOCATION" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- 5. "PRODUCTION COSTS" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- 6. "PRODUCTION LABOR" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- 7. "QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- Sec. 7. Section 43-1121, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

43-1121. Additions to Arizona gross income; corporations

In computing Arizona taxable income for a corporation, the following amounts shall be added to Arizona gross income:

1. The amount of interest income received on obligations of any state, territory or possession of the United States, or any political subdivision thereof, located outside this state, reduced, for taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 1996, by the amount of any interest on indebtedness and other related expenses that were incurred or continued to purchase or carry those obligations and that are not otherwise deducted or subtracted in arriving at Arizona gross income.

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- 2. The excess of a partner's share of partnership taxable income required to be included under chapter 14, article 2 of this title over the income required to be reported under section 702(a)(8) of the internal revenue code.
- 3. The excess of a partner's share of partnership losses determined pursuant to section 702(a)(8) of the internal revenue code over the losses allowable under chapter 14, article 2 of this title.
- 4. The amount of any depreciation allowance allowed pursuant to section 167(a) of the internal revenue code to the extent not previously added.
- 5. The amount of dividend income received from corporations and allowed as a deduction pursuant to sections 243, 245, 245A and 250(a)(1)(B) of the internal revenue code.
- 6. Taxes that are based on income paid to states, local governments or foreign governments and that were deducted in computing federal taxable income.
- 7. Expenses and interest relating to tax-exempt income on indebtedness incurred or continued to purchase or carry obligations the interest on which is wholly exempt from the tax imposed by this title. Financial institutions, as defined in section 6-101, shall be governed by section 43-961, paragraph 2.
- 8. Commissions, rentals and other amounts paid or accrued to a domestic international sales corporation controlled by the payor corporation if the domestic international sales corporation is not required to report its taxable income to this state because its income is not derived from or attributable to sources within this state. If the domestic international sales corporation is subject to article 4 of this chapter, the department shall prescribe by rule the method of determining the portion of the commissions, rentals and other amounts that are paid or accrued to the controlled domestic international sales corporation and that shall be deducted by the payor. For the purposes of this paragraph, "control" means direct or indirect ownership or control of fifty percent or more of the voting stock of the domestic international sales corporation by the payor corporation.
- 9. The amount of net operating loss taken pursuant to section 172 of the internal revenue code.
- 10. The amount of exploration expenses determined pursuant to section 617 of the internal revenue code to the extent that they exceed \$75,000 and to the extent that the election is made to defer those expenses not in excess of \$75,000.
- 11. Amortization of costs incurred to install pollution control devices and deducted pursuant to the internal revenue code or the amount of deduction for depreciation taken pursuant to the internal revenue code on pollution control devices for which an election is made pursuant to section 43-1129.

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- 12. The amount of depreciation or amortization of costs of child care facilities deducted pursuant to section 167 or 188 of the internal revenue code for which an election is made to amortize pursuant to section 43-1130.
- 13. The loss of an insurance company that is exempt under section 43-1201 to the extent that it is included in computing Arizona gross income on a consolidated return pursuant to section 43-947.
- 14. The amount by which the depreciation or amortization computed under the internal revenue code with respect to property for which a credit was taken under section 43-1169 exceeds the amount of depreciation or amortization computed pursuant to the internal revenue code on the Arizona adjusted basis of the property.
- 15. The amount by which the adjusted basis computed under the internal revenue code with respect to property for which a credit was claimed under section 43-1169 and that is sold or otherwise disposed of during the taxable year exceeds the adjusted basis of the property computed under section 43-1169.
- 16. The amount by which the depreciation or amortization computed under the internal revenue code with respect to property for which a credit was taken under section 43-1170 exceeds the amount of depreciation or amortization computed pursuant to the internal revenue code on the Arizona adjusted basis of the property.
- 17. The amount by which the adjusted basis computed under the internal revenue code with respect to property for which a credit was claimed under section 43-1170 and that is sold or otherwise disposed of during the taxable year exceeds the adjusted basis of the property computed under section 43-1170.
- 18. The deduction referred to in section 1341(a)(4) of the internal revenue code for restoration of a substantial amount held under a claim of right.
- 19. The amount by which a capital loss carryover allowable pursuant to section 1341(b)(5) of the internal revenue code exceeds the capital loss carryover allowable pursuant to section 43-1130.01, subsection F.
- 20. Any wage expenses deducted pursuant to the internal revenue code for which a credit is claimed under section 43-1175 and representing net increases in qualified employment positions for employment of temporary assistance for needy families recipients.
- 21. Any amount of expenses that were deducted pursuant to the internal revenue code and for which a credit is claimed under section 43-1178.
- 22. Any amount deducted pursuant to section 170 of the internal revenue code representing contributions to a school tuition organization for which a credit is claimed under section 43-1183 or 43-1184.
- 23. If a subtraction is or has been taken by the taxpayer under section 43-1124, in the current or a prior taxable year for the full

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 amount of eligible access expenditures paid or incurred to comply with the requirements of the Americans with disabilities act of 1990 (P.L. 101-336) or title 41, chapter 9, article 8, any amount of eligible access expenditures that is recognized under the internal revenue code, including any amount that is amortized according to federal amortization schedules, and that is included in computing Arizona taxable income for the current taxable year.

- 24. For taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2017, the amount of any net capital loss included in Arizona gross income for the taxable year that is derived from the exchange of one kind of legal tender for another kind of legal tender. For the purposes of this paragraph:
- (a) "Legal tender" means a medium of exchange, including specie, that is authorized by the United States Constitution or Congress to pay debts, public charges, taxes and dues.
 - (b) "Specie" means coins having precious metal content.
- 25. The amount of any deduction that is claimed in computing Arizona gross income and that represents a donation of a school site for which a credit is claimed under section 43-1181.
- 26. THE AMOUNT OF ANY MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COSTS THAT WAS DEDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE FOR WHICH A TAX CREDIT IS CLAIMED UNDER SECTION 43-1165.
- Sec. 8. Title 43, chapter 11, article 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 43-1165, to read:

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- A. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2022, A TAX CREDIT IS ALLOWED AGAINST PRODUCTION COSTS PAID BY A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY IN THIS STATE THAT ARE SUBJECT TO TAXATION BY THIS STATE AND THAT ARE DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL BE DETERMINED AS FOLLOWS:
- 1. AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO A PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE QUALIFIED PRODUCTION COSTS AS APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517 AS FOLLOWS:
- (a) FOR A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY THAT SPENDS UP TO \$10,000,000, FIFTEEN PERCENT.
- (b) FOR A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY THAT SPENDS MORE THAN \$10,000,000 BUT LESS THAN \$35,000,000, SEVENTEEN AND ONE-HALF PERCENT.
- (c) FOR A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY THAT SPENDS MORE THAN \$35,000,000, TWENTY PERCENT.
- 2. AN ADDITIONAL TWO AND ONE-HALF PERCENT OF THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY'S PRODUCTION LABOR COSTS RELATED TO POSITIONS HELD BY RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE AS APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517.

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- 3. IF THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY EITHER:
- (a) USES A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY IN THIS STATE TO PRODUCE THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION, AN ADDITIONAL TWO AND ONE-HALF PERCENT OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF QUALIFIED PRODUCTION COSTS AS APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517.
- (b) FILMS PRIMARILY ON LOCATION, PRODUCES AND FILMS THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION PRIMARILY IN THIS STATE AND PERFORMS ALL PREPRODUCTION, POSTPRODUCTION AND EDITING AT A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY IN THIS STATE, AN ADDITIONAL TWO AND ONE-HALF PERCENT OF THE TOTAL QUALIFIED PRODUCTION COSTS AS APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517.
- 4. AN ADDITIONAL TWO AND ONE-HALF PERCENT OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF QUALIFIED PRODUCTION COSTS AS APPROVED BY THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517 IF THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION IS PRODUCED AND FILMED IN ASSOCIATION WITH A LONG-TERM TENANT OF A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY.
 - B. THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT ALLOW:
- 1. TAX CREDITS UNDER THIS SECTION AND SECTION 43-1082 IN ANY TAXABLE YEAR THAT EXCEED THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- 2. A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION TO A TAXPAYER THAT HAS A DELINQUENT TAX BALANCE OWED TO THE DEPARTMENT UNDER THIS TITLE.
- C. TO QUALIFY FOR A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION, THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY MUST:
 - 1. DO EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) USE A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY IN THIS STATE TO PRODUCE THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION.
- (b) IF THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION IS FILMED PRIMARILY ON LOCATION, PRODUCE AND FILM THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION PRIMARILY IN THIS STATE AND PERFORM ALL PREPRODUCTION, POSTPRODUCTION AND EDITING AT A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY, IF A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY IS AVAILABLE.
- 2. MAINTAIN THE MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY'S FULL-TIME PRODUCTION LABOR POSITIONS IN THIS STATE.
- 3. INCLUDE IN THE CREDITS FOR EACH MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION AN ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT THE PRODUCTION WAS FILMED IN ARIZONA.
- 4. RECEIVE PREAPPROVAL AND POSTAPPROVAL FROM THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517.
- D. CO-OWNERS OF A MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY, INCLUDING CORPORATE PARTNERS IN A PARTNERSHIP, MAY EACH CLAIM THE PRO RATA SHARE OF THE TAX CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SECTION BASED ON OWNERSHIP INTEREST. THE TOTAL OF THE TAX CREDITS ALLOWED ALL SUCH OWNERS MAY NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN ALLOWED A SOLE OWNER.

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- E. IF THE ALLOWABLE TAX CREDIT FOR A TAXPAYER EXCEEDS THE TAXES OTHERWISE DUE UNDER THIS TITLE ON THE CLAIMANT'S INCOME, AFTER APPLYING ALL OTHER TAX CREDITS TO WHICH THE CLAIMANT MAY BE ENTITLED AND AFTER ANY SETOFF UNDER SECTION 42-1122, NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 42-1118, THE EXCESS SHALL BE PAID WITHIN ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY DAYS AFTER RECEIVING THE NOTICE PROVIDED PURSUANT TO SECTION 41-1517, SUBSECTION H AND IN A MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT BY RULE FOR PAYING THE CLAIMANT.
- F. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL MAINTAIN ANNUAL DATA ON THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONIES CREDITED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND SHALL PROVIDE THE DATA TO THE ARIZONA COMMERCE AUTHORITY ON REQUEST.
- G. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT FEES AND RULES AND PUBLISH AND PRESCRIBE FORMS AND PROCEDURES AS NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER THIS SECTION AND PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES.
- H. THE TAX CREDIT ALLOWED BY THIS SECTION IS IN LIEU OF ANY ALLOWANCE FOR STATE TAX PURPOSES OF A DEDUCTION OF THOSE EXPENSES ALLOWED BY THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.
 - I. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:
- 1. "LONG-TERM TENANT" MEANS A PERSON THAT ENTERS INTO A LEASE OF AT LEAST FIVE YEARS FOR THE USE OF A QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY.
- 2. "MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- 3. "MOTION PICTURE PRODUCTION COMPANY" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- 4. "ON LOCATION" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- 5. "PRODUCTION COSTS" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- 6. "PRODUCTION LABOR" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.
- 7. "QUALIFIED PRODUCTION FACILITY" HAS THE SAME MEANING PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 41-1517.

Sec. 9. Exemption from rulemaking

Notwithstanding any other law, for the purposes of this act, the Arizona commerce authority and the department of revenue are exempt from the rulemaking requirements of title 41, chapter 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, for one year after the effective date of this act.

Sec. 10. Purpose

Pursuant to section 43-223, Arizona Revised Statutes, the legislature enacts sections 43-1082 and 43-1165, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act, to create a competitive motion picture production industry presence and market in this state that will develop a substantial motion picture production industry workforce and encourage major capital investment in qualified production facilities in this state.

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