CHAPTER 290

(Senate Bill 604)

AN ACT concerning

Tax Credits for Qualifying Employees with Disabilities – Sunset Repeal <u>Extension</u>

FOR the purpose of repealing <u>extending</u> certain termination provisions and altering certain dates of applicability for certain tax credits allowed to employers that hire certain qualifying individuals with disabilities; and generally relating to certain tax credits allowed to employers that hire certain qualifying employees facing certain employment barriers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 112 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997, as amended by Chapter 614 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1998, Chapter 448 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2000, Chapter 454 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003, Chapter 394 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006, Chapter 370 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007, and Chapter 658 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008 Section 4 and 6

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Chapter 113 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997, as amended by Chapter 614 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1998, Chapter 448 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2000, Chapter 454 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2003, Chapter 394 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2006, Chapter 370 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007, and Chapter 658 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2008 Section 4 and 6

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Chapter 112 of the Acts of 1997, as amended by Chapter 614 of the Acts of 1998, Chapter 448 of the Acts of 2000, Chapter 454 of the Acts of 2003, Chapter 394 of the Acts of 2006, Chapter 370 of the Acts of 2007, and Chapter 658 of the Acts of 2008

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 1996 [but before January 1, 2012 2013]; provided, however, that the tax credit under § 21–309 of the Education Article, as enacted under Section 1 of this Act, shall be allowed only for employees

hired on or after October 1, 1997 [but before July 1, 2009 2010; and provided further that any excess credits under § 21–309 of the Education Article may be carried forward and, subject to the limitations under § 21–309 of the Education Article, may be applied as a credit for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2012 2013].

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions of Section 4 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997. [It shall remain in effect for a period of $\frac{11}{12}$ years and 9 months and at the end of June 30, $\frac{2009}{2010}$, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

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SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions of Section 4 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 1997. [It shall remain in effect for a period of $\frac{11}{12}$ years and 9 months and at the end of June 30, $\frac{2009}{2010}$, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2009.

Approved by the Governor, May 7, 2009.