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By: Senators Guzzone, Cassilly, Elfreth, Griffith, Hayes, King, Peters, Rosapepe, Washington, and Zucker

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

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Sales and Use Tax - Vendor Collection Credit - Job Training

3 FOR the purpose of increasing, for certain qualified job training organizations, the credit 4 allowed for the expense of collecting and paying the sales and use tax; prohibiting, 5 under certain circumstances, certain qualified job training organizations from 6 claiming certain vendor collection credits; prohibiting, for any calendar year, the 7 total amount of credits a vendor may claim from exceeding a certain amount; 8 providing for the certification of qualified job training organizations by the Secretary 9 of Labor; authorizing a vendor to submit to the Secretary an application to be 10 certified as a qualified job training organization; requiring the Secretary to review 11 the application and make a certain determination within a certain number of days; 12 requiring the Secretary to provide notice of certain determinations; requiring, on or 13 before a certain date each year, a vendor who claims a certain credit to submit a certain report; requiring the Comptroller to adopt certain regulations; defining 14 certain terms; and generally relating to the sales and use tax vendor collection credit. 15

- 16 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 17 Article Tax General
- 18 Section 11–105
- 19 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 20 (2016 Replacement Volume and 2019 Supplement)
- 21 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
- 22 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

1 Article - Tax - General

- 2 11–105.
- 3 (a) (1) Except as provided in subsections (b) [and], (c), AND (D) of this section, 4 a vendor who timely files a sales and use tax return is allowed, for the expense of collecting 5 and paying the tax, a credit equal to 0.9% of the gross amount of sales and use tax that the 6 vendor is to pay to the Comptroller.
- 7 (2) The credit allowed under this section does not apply to any sales and 8 use tax that a vendor is required to pay to the Comptroller for any purchase or use that the 9 vendor makes that is subject to the tax.
- 10 (b) (1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the credit allowed under this section is 1.2% of the first \$6,000 of the gross amount of sales and use tax that the vendor 12 is to pay with each return.
- 13 (2) For a vendor who files or is eligible to file a consolidated return under \$ 11–502 of this title, the credit allowed under paragraph (1) of this subsection is 1.2% of the first \$6,000 of the gross amount of sales and use tax that the vendor is or would be required to pay with the consolidated return.
- 17 (c) (1) The credit allowed under subsection (a) of this section may not exceed 18 \$500 for each return.
- 19 (2) For a vendor who files or is eligible to file a consolidated return under \$ 11–502 of this title, the total maximum credit that the vendor is allowed under this section for all returns filed for any period is \$500.
- 22 (D) (1) (I) IN THIS SUBSECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE 23 MEANINGS INDICATED.
- 24 (II) "QUALIFIED JOB TRAINING ORGANIZATION" MEANS AN 25 ORGANIZATION THAT:
- 26 1. IS LOCATED IN THE STATE;
- 27 2. IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION UNDER § 501(C)(3) OF 28 THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE;
- 29 3. CONDUCTS RETAIL SALES OF DONATED ITEMS;
- 4. PROVIDES JOB TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS WITH WORKPLACE DISADVANTAGES OR DISABILITIES; AND

- 5. USES A MAJORITY OF ITS REVENUE FOR JOB
- 2 TRAINING AND JOB PLACEMENT PROGRAMS:
- A. THAT ASSIST INDIVIDUALS WITH GROWTH IN
- 4 EMPLOYMENT HOURS;
- B. FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH LOW INCOME, WORKPLACE
- 6 DISADVANTAGES, DISABILITIES, OR BARRIERS TO EMPLOYMENT; OR
- 7 C. FOR VETERANS.
- 8 (III) "SECRETARY" MEANS THE SECRETARY OF LABOR.
- 9 (2) (I) SUBJECT TO SUBPARAGRAPH (II) SUBPARAGRAPHS (II) AND
- 10 (III) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, A VENDOR WHO IS A QUALIFIED JOB TRAINING
- 11 ORGANIZATION CERTIFIED UNDER PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION AND
- 12 TIMELY FILES A SALES AND USE TAX RETURN IS ALLOWED A CREDIT EQUAL TO 100%
- 13 OF THE GROSS AMOUNT OF SALES AND USE TAX THAT THE VENDOR IS TO PAY TO THE
- 14 COMPTROLLER.
- 15 (II) A VENDOR WHO CLAIMS A CREDIT UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH
- 16 (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH MAY NOT CLAIM A CREDIT UNDER SUBSECTIONS (A)
- 17 THROUGH (C) OF THIS SECTION.
- 18 (III) FOR ANY CALENDAR YEAR, THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF CREDITS
- 19 THAT A VENDOR MAY CLAIM MAY NOT EXCEED \$250,000.
- 20 (3) (I) A VENDOR MAY APPLY TO THE SECRETARY TO BE
- 21 CERTIFIED AS A QUALIFIED JOB TRAINING ORGANIZATION.
- 22 (II) WITHIN 30 DAYS OF RECEIVING THE APPLICATION, THE
- 23 SECRETARY SHALL REVIEW THE APPLICATION AND IF THE VENDOR:
- 1. IS DETERMINED TO BE A QUALIFIED JOB TRAINING
- 25 ORGANIZATION, CERTIFY THE VENDOR AS A QUALIFIED JOB TRAINING
- 26 ORGANIZATION AND NOTIFY THE VENDOR AND THE COMPTROLLER; OR
- 27 2. IS DETERMINED NOT TO BE A QUALIFIED JOB
- 28 TRAINING ORGANIZATION, NOTIFY THE VENDOR.
- 29 (4) ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31 EACH YEAR, A VENDOR WHO CLAIMS
- 30 A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL SUBMIT TO THE SECRETARY A REPORT
- 31 THAT INCLUDES, FOR THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR:

1	(I) THE AMOUNT OF CREDITS CLAIMED;
2 3	(II) THE AMOUNT SPENT BY THE VENDOR ON JOB TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES; AND
4 5	(III) THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING JOB TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES.
6 7	(5) THE COMPTROLLER SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THIS SUBSECTION.
8	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2020.
	Approved:
	Governor.
	President of the Senate.
	Speaker of the House of Delegates.