

**HB0278/445663/1**

BY: Committee on Ways and Means

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 278  
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after “**Position**” insert “**and Revitalization Area**”; in line 4, after “program;” insert “altering the definition of “revitalization area” to include a certain Tier I county for purposes of the program;”; in line 8, strike “and 6–303(b)(1)” and substitute “, 6–303(b)(1), and 6–304(b)”; and in line 13, after “6–301(d)(1)” insert “and (e)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 21, after “means” insert “:

**(I) IF THE POSITION IF FILLED BEFORE OCTOBER 1, 2021,**”;

and after line 21, insert:

**[(i)] 1.** is full-time and of indefinite duration;

**[(ii)] 2.** pays at least 120% of the State minimum wage;

**[(iii)] 3.** is located in the State;

**[(iv)] 4.** is newly created as a result of the establishment or expansion of a business facility in a single location in the State; and

**[(v)] 5.** is filled; AND”.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 1 and 2 and substitute:

(Over)

**“(II) IF THE POSITION IS FILLED ON OR AFTER OCTOBER 1, 2021, A POSITION THAT:**

**1. IS FULL-TIME AND OF INDEFINITE DURATION;**

**2. PAYS AT LEAST;”;**

in lines 3 and 6, strike “1.” and “2.”, respectively, and substitute “A.” and “B.”, respectively; in line 6, after “150%” insert “OF THE STATE MINIMUM WAGE;”; strike beginning with “of” in line 6 down through “State;” in line 8 and substitute:

**“3. IS LOCATED IN THE STATE;”;**

in lines 9, 10, 12, 13, 16, 19, and 21, strike “(IV)”, “(V)”, “(VI)”, “(VII)”, “(VIII)”, “(IX)”, and “(X)”, respectively, and substitute “4.”, “5.”, “6.”, “7.”, “8.”, “9.”, and “10.”, respectively; in line 12, strike “FAIR SCHEDULING AND”; in line 20, strike “AFFORDABLE DEDUCTIBLES AND COPAYMENTS” and substitute “MONTHLY PREMIUMS THAT DO NOT EXCEED 8.5% OF THE EMPLOYEE’S NET MONTHLY EARNINGS”; and strike in their entirety lines 22 through 24, inclusive, and substitute:

**“11. IS NEWLY CREATED AS A RESULT OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OR EXPANSION OF A BUSINESS FACILITY IN A SINGLE LOCATION IN THE STATE; AND**

**12. IS FILLED.**

(e) “Revitalization area” means:

(1) an enterprise zone designated by the Secretary under § 5-704 of this article;

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(2) an enterprise zone designated by the United States government under 42 U.S.C. §§ 11501 through 11505;

(3) an empowerment zone or enterprise community designated by the United States government under 26 U.S.C. §§ 1391 through 1397F; [or]

(4) a sustainable community, as defined in § 6-301 of the Housing and Community Development Article; OR

**(5) A TIER I COUNTY.”**

On page 3, after line 8, insert:

“6-304.

(b) (1) Except as provided in this section, the credit earned under this section:

(i) for qualified employees working in a facility not located in a revitalization area, is \$3,000 multiplied by the number of qualified employees employed by the qualified business entity during the credit year; and

(ii) for qualified employees working in a facility located in a revitalization area, is \$5,000 multiplied by the number of qualified employees employed by the qualified business entity during the credit year.

(2) The credit earned by a qualified business entity under this subtitle may not exceed \$1,000,000 for any credit year.

(3) The total amount of credits certified by the Department for qualified business entities in a taxable year may not exceed \$4,000,000.”