

1 AN ACT relating to a tax credit for security modifications.

2 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

3 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 141 IS CREATED TO  
4 READ AS FOLLOWS:

5 *(1) As used in this section:*

6 *(a) "Qualified security modification" means installation of new hardware or*  
7 *upgrades to existing hardware on the exterior of a taxpayer's principal*  
8 *place of residence or residential rental unit to make it safer for the*  
9 *occupants;*

10 *(b) "Qualifying taxpayer" means an individual taxpayer or married taxpayers*  
11 *with an individual or joint adjusted gross income of less than one hundred*  
12 *fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) per taxable year; and*

13 *(c) "Small business" means any business entity organized for profit, including*  
14 *a sole proprietorship, partnership, limited partnership, corporation, limited*  
15 *liability company, joint venture, association, or cooperative, that has fifty*  
16 *(50) or fewer employees working more than thirty-five (35) hours per week*  
17 *in the Commonwealth.*

18 *(2) (a) For taxable periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023, but before*  
19 *January 1, 2027, there is hereby created a nonrefundable credit against the*  
20 *tax imposed under KRS 141.020 or 141.040 and 141.0401, with the ordering*  
21 *of credits as provided in Section 2 of this Act. The credit shall apply if one*  
22 *(1) or more of the items listed in paragraph (b) of this subsection is installed*  
23 *during the taxable year in a dwelling unit or commercial property located in*  
24 *the Commonwealth that is owned by the taxpayer and used by the taxpayer*  
25 *as:*

26 *1. The taxpayer's principal place of residence;*

27 *2. A single-family or multifamily residential rental unit; or*

- 1           3. A building that houses a small business.
- 2           **(b) The tax credit shall equal one hundred percent (100%) of the installed costs**
- 3           **of a qualified security modification, including:**
- 4           1. Windows;
- 5           2. Doors;
- 6           3. Door locks;
- 7           4. Security cameras;
- 8           5. Motion sensitive lighting;
- 9           6. Fences; and
- 10          7. Alarm systems.
- 11          **(c) In no case shall the total tax credits provided in this subsection exceed five**
- 12          **thousand dollars (\$5,000) per tax return in a single taxable year.**
- 13          **(d) The total aggregate of all tax credits shall not exceed ten million dollars**
- 14          **(\$10,000,000) and is allocated as follows:**
- 15          1. Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) shall be the maximum amount of
- 16          credits against the tax imposed under KRS 141.020; and
- 17          2. Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) shall be the maximum amount of
- 18          credits against the tax imposed under KRS 141.040 and 141.0401.
- 19          **(3) The tax credits provided under this section shall apply in the tax year in which**
- 20          **the installation of exterior security features is completed. If the credit cannot be**
- 21          **taken in full in the year in which the installation is completed, the tax credit may**
- 22          **be carried forward one (1) year.**
- 23          **(4) The department may request copies of invoices, purchase receipts, installation**
- 24          **contracts, or any other information that the department determines necessary to**
- 25          **verify credits taken.**
- 26          **(5) The department shall establish, by administrative regulation, the guidelines and**
- 27          **technical requirements for items that are eligible for the tax credits provided**

1 under subsection (2) of this section.

2 (6) (a) The purpose of the security modifications tax credit is to provide incentives  
 3 to home owners to make security upgrades, increasing safety for  
 4 neighborhoods in the Commonwealth.

5 (b) In order for the General Assembly to evaluate the fulfillment of the purpose  
 6 stated in paragraph (a) of this subsection, the department shall provide the  
 7 following information on a cumulative basis for each taxable year to  
 8 provide a historical impact of the tax credit to the Commonwealth:

9 1. The cumulative amount of tax credits claimed by individuals for each  
 10 taxable year;

11 2. The cumulative number of returns that claimed the credit for each  
 12 taxable year;

13 3. Based on the mailing address of the return, the cumulative total  
 14 amount of credits claimed by county for each taxable year; and

15 4. Based on ranges of adjusted gross income of no larger than five  
 16 thousand dollars (\$5,000), the cumulative amount of tax credits  
 17 claimed by individuals for each adjusted gross income range for each  
 18 taxable year.

19 (c) The report required by paragraph (b) of this subsection shall be submitted  
 20 to the Interim Joint Committee on Appropriations and Revenue beginning  
 21 no later than November 1, 2024, and no later than November 1 each year  
 22 thereafter, as long as the credit is claimed on any return processed by the  
 23 department.

24 ➔Section 2. KRS 141.0205 is amended to read as follows:

25 If a taxpayer is entitled to more than one (1) of the tax credits allowed against the tax  
 26 imposed by KRS 141.020, 141.040, and 141.0401, the priority of application and use of  
 27 the credits shall be determined as follows:

- 1 (1) The nonrefundable business incentive credits against the tax imposed by KRS  
2 141.020 shall be taken in the following order:
- 3 (a) The limited liability entity tax credit permitted by KRS 141.0401;
  - 4 (b) The economic development credits computed under KRS 141.347, 141.381,  
5 141.384, 141.3841, 141.400, 141.401, 141.403, 141.407, 141.415, 154.12-  
6 207, and 154.12-2088;
  - 7 (c) The qualified farming operation credit permitted by KRS 141.412;
  - 8 (d) The certified rehabilitation credit permitted by KRS 171.397(1)(a);
  - 9 (e) The health insurance credit permitted by KRS 141.062;
  - 10 (f) The tax paid to other states credit permitted by KRS 141.070;
  - 11 (g) The credit for hiring the unemployed permitted by KRS 141.065;
  - 12 (h) The recycling or composting equipment credit permitted by KRS 141.390;
  - 13 (i) The tax credit for cash contributions in investment funds permitted by KRS  
14 154.20-263 in effect prior to July 15, 2002, and the credit permitted by KRS  
15 154.20-258;
  - 16 (j) The research facilities credit permitted by KRS 141.395;
  - 17 (k) The employer High School Equivalency Diploma program incentive credit  
18 permitted under KRS 151B.402;
  - 19 (l) The voluntary environmental remediation credit permitted by KRS 141.418;
  - 20 (m) The biodiesel and renewable diesel credit permitted by KRS 141.423;
  - 21 (n) The clean coal incentive credit permitted by KRS 141.428;
  - 22 (o) The ethanol credit permitted by KRS 141.4242;
  - 23 (p) The cellulosic ethanol credit permitted by KRS 141.4244;
  - 24 (q) The energy efficiency credits permitted by KRS 141.436;
  - 25 (r) The railroad maintenance and improvement credit permitted by KRS 141.385;
  - 26 (s) The Endow Kentucky credit permitted by KRS 141.438;
  - 27 (t) The New Markets Development Program credit permitted by KRS 141.434;

- 1 (u) The distilled spirits credit permitted by KRS 141.389;
- 2 (v) The angel investor credit permitted by KRS 141.396;
- 3 (w) The film industry credit permitted by KRS 141.383 for applications approved  
4 on or after April 27, 2018, but before January 1, 2022;
- 5 (x) The inventory credit permitted by KRS 141.408;~~and~~
- 6 (y) The renewable chemical production credit permitted by KRS 141.4231; **and**
- 7 **(z) The security modifications tax credit permitted by Section 1 of this Act.**
- 8 (2) After the application of the nonrefundable credits in subsection (1) of this section,  
9 the nonrefundable personal tax credits against the tax imposed by KRS 141.020  
10 shall be taken in the following order:
- 11 (a) The individual credits permitted by KRS 141.020(3);
- 12 (b) The credit permitted by KRS 141.066;
- 13 (c) The tuition credit permitted by KRS 141.069;
- 14 (d) The household and dependent care credit permitted by KRS 141.067;
- 15 (e) The income gap credit permitted by KRS 141.066; and
- 16 (f) The Education Opportunity Account Program tax credit permitted by KRS  
17 141.522.
- 18 (3) After the application of the nonrefundable credits provided for in subsection (2) of  
19 this section, the refundable credits against the tax imposed by KRS 141.020 shall be  
20 taken in the following order:
- 21 (a) The individual withholding tax credit permitted by KRS 141.350;
- 22 (b) The individual estimated tax payment credit permitted by KRS 141.305;
- 23 (c) The certified rehabilitation credit permitted by KRS 171.3961, 171.3963, and  
24 171.397(1)(b);
- 25 (d) The film industry tax credit permitted by KRS 141.383 for applications  
26 approved prior to April 27, 2018, or on or after January 1, 2022; and
- 27 (e) The development area tax credit permitted by KRS 141.398.

- 1 (4) The nonrefundable credit permitted by KRS 141.0401 shall be applied against the  
2 tax imposed by KRS 141.040.
- 3 (5) The following nonrefundable credits shall be applied against the sum of the tax  
4 imposed by KRS 141.040 after subtracting the credit provided for in subsection (4)  
5 of this section, and the tax imposed by KRS 141.0401 in the following order:
- 6 (a) The economic development credits computed under KRS 141.347, 141.381,  
7 141.384, 141.3841, 141.400, 141.401, 141.403, 141.407, 141.415, 154.12-  
8 207, and 154.12-2088;
- 9 (b) The qualified farming operation credit permitted by KRS 141.412;
- 10 (c) The certified rehabilitation credit permitted by KRS 171.397(1)(a);
- 11 (d) The health insurance credit permitted by KRS 141.062;
- 12 (e) The unemployment credit permitted by KRS 141.065;
- 13 (f) The recycling or composting equipment credit permitted by KRS 141.390;
- 14 (g) The coal conversion credit permitted by KRS 141.041;
- 15 (h) The enterprise zone credit permitted by KRS 154.45-090, for taxable periods  
16 ending prior to January 1, 2008;
- 17 (i) The tax credit for cash contributions to investment funds permitted by KRS  
18 154.20-263 in effect prior to July 15, 2002, and the credit permitted by KRS  
19 154.20-258;
- 20 (j) The research facilities credit permitted by KRS 141.395;
- 21 (k) The employer High School Equivalency Diploma program incentive credit  
22 permitted by KRS 151B.402;
- 23 (l) The voluntary environmental remediation credit permitted by KRS 141.418;
- 24 (m) The biodiesel and renewable diesel credit permitted by KRS 141.423;
- 25 (n) The clean coal incentive credit permitted by KRS 141.428;
- 26 (o) The ethanol credit permitted by KRS 141.4242;
- 27 (p) The cellulosic ethanol credit permitted by KRS 141.4244;

- 1 (q) The energy efficiency credits permitted by KRS 141.436;
- 2 (r) The ENERGY STAR home or ENERGY STAR manufactured home credit  
3 permitted by KRS 141.437;
- 4 (s) The railroad maintenance and improvement credit permitted by KRS 141.385;
- 5 (t) The railroad expansion credit permitted by KRS 141.386;
- 6 (u) The Endow Kentucky credit permitted by KRS 141.438;
- 7 (v) The New Markets Development Program credit permitted by KRS 141.434;
- 8 (w) The distilled spirits credit permitted by KRS 141.389;
- 9 (x) The film industry credit permitted by KRS 141.383 for applications approved  
10 on or after April 27, 2018, but before January 1, 2022;
- 11 (y) The inventory credit permitted by KRS 141.408;
- 12 (z) The renewable chemical production tax credit permitted by KRS 141.4231;†  
13 ~~and‡~~
- 14 (aa) The Education Opportunity Account Program tax credit permitted by KRS  
15 141.522; and
- 16 **(ab) The security modifications tax credit permitted by Section 1 of this Act.**
- 17 (6) After the application of the nonrefundable credits in subsection (5) of this section,  
18 the refundable credits shall be taken in the following order:
- 19 (a) The corporation estimated tax payment credit permitted by KRS 141.044;
- 20 (b) The certified rehabilitation credit permitted by KRS 171.3961, 171.3963, and  
21 171.397(1)(b); and
- 22 (c) The film industry tax credit permitted by KRS 141.383 for applications  
23 approved prior to April 27, 2018, or on or after January 1, 2022.
- 24 ➔Section 3. KRS 131.190 is amended to read as follows:
- 25 (1) No present or former commissioner or employee of the department, present or  
26 former member of a county board of assessment appeals, present or former property  
27 valuation administrator or employee, present or former secretary or employee of the

1 Finance and Administration Cabinet, former secretary or employee of the Revenue  
2 Cabinet, or any other person, shall intentionally and without authorization inspect or  
3 divulge any information acquired by him or her of the affairs of any person, or  
4 information regarding the tax schedules, returns, or reports required to be filed with  
5 the department or other proper officer, or any information produced by a hearing or  
6 investigation, insofar as the information may have to do with the affairs of the  
7 person's business.

- 8 (2) The prohibition established by subsection (1) of this section shall not extend to:
- 9 (a) Information required in prosecutions for making false reports or returns of  
10 property for taxation, or any other infraction of the tax laws;
  - 11 (b) Any matter properly entered upon any assessment record, or in any way made  
12 a matter of public record;
  - 13 (c) Furnishing any taxpayer or his or her properly authorized agent with  
14 information respecting his or her own return;
  - 15 (d) Testimony provided by the commissioner or any employee of the department  
16 in any court, or the introduction as evidence of returns or reports filed with the  
17 department, in an action for violation of state or federal tax laws or in any  
18 action challenging state or federal tax laws;
  - 19 (e) Providing an owner of unmined coal, oil or gas reserves, and other mineral or  
20 energy resources assessed under KRS 132.820, or owners of surface land  
21 under which the unmined minerals lie, factual information about the owner's  
22 property derived from third-party returns filed for that owner's property, under  
23 the provisions of KRS 132.820, that is used to determine the owner's  
24 assessment. This information shall be provided to the owner on a confidential  
25 basis, and the owner shall be subject to the penalties provided in KRS  
26 131.990(2). The third-party filer shall be given prior notice of any disclosure  
27 of information to the owner that was provided by the third-party filer;



- 1 (f) Providing to a third-party purchaser pursuant to an order entered in a  
2 foreclosure action filed in a court of competent jurisdiction, factual  
3 information related to the owner or lessee of coal, oil, gas reserves, or any  
4 other mineral resources assessed under KRS 132.820. The department may  
5 promulgate an administrative regulation establishing a fee schedule for the  
6 provision of the information described in this paragraph. Any fee imposed  
7 shall not exceed the greater of the actual cost of providing the information or  
8 ten dollars (\$10);
- 9 (g) Providing information to a licensing agency, the Transportation Cabinet, or  
10 the Kentucky Supreme Court under KRS 131.1817;
- 11 (h) Statistics of gasoline and special fuels gallonage reported to the department  
12 under KRS 138.210 to 138.448;
- 13 (i) Providing any utility gross receipts license tax return information that is  
14 necessary to administer the provisions of KRS 160.613 to 160.617 to  
15 applicable school districts on a confidential basis;
- 16 (j) Providing documents, data, or other information to a third party pursuant to an  
17 order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction; or
- 18 (k) Providing information to the Legislative Research Commission under:
- 19 1. KRS 139.519 for purposes of the sales and use tax refund on building  
20 materials used for disaster recovery;
- 21 2. KRS 141.436 for purposes of the energy efficiency products credits;
- 22 3. KRS 141.437 for purposes of the ENERGY STAR home and the  
23 ENERGY STAR manufactured home credits;
- 24 4. KRS 141.383 for purposes of the film industry incentives;
- 25 5. KRS 154.26-095 for purposes of the Kentucky industrial revitalization  
26 tax credits and the job assessment fees;
- 27 6. KRS 141.068 for purposes of the Kentucky investment fund;

- 1           7.    KRS 141.396 for purposes of the angel investor tax credit;
- 2           8.    KRS 141.389 for purposes of the distilled spirits credit;
- 3           9.    KRS 141.408 for purposes of the inventory credit;
- 4           10.   KRS 141.390 for purposes of the recycling and composting credit;
- 5           11.   KRS 141.3841 for purposes of the selling farmer tax credit;
- 6           12.   KRS 141.4231 for purposes of the renewable chemical production tax
- 7                 credit;
- 8           13.   KRS 141.524 for purposes of the Education Opportunity Account
- 9                 Program tax credit;
- 10          14.   KRS 141.398 for purposes of the development area tax credit;~~[-and]~~
- 11          15.   KRS 139.516 for the purposes of the sales and use tax exemption on the
- 12                 commercial mining of cryptocurrency; and

13           **16. Section 1 of this Act for the purposes of the security modifications tax**

14                 **credit.**

15   (3)   The commissioner shall make available any information for official use only and on

16         a confidential basis to the proper officer, agency, board or commission of this state,

17         any Kentucky county, any Kentucky city, any other state, or the federal government,

18         under reciprocal agreements whereby the department shall receive similar or useful

19         information in return.

20   (4)   Access to and inspection of information received from the Internal Revenue Service

21         is for department use only, and is restricted to tax administration purposes.

22         Information received from the Internal Revenue Service shall not be made available

23         to any other agency of state government, or any county, city, or other state, and shall

24         not be inspected intentionally and without authorization by any present secretary or

25         employee of the Finance and Administration Cabinet, commissioner or employee of

26         the department, or any other person.

27   (5)   Statistics of crude oil as reported to the department under the crude oil excise tax

1 requirements of KRS Chapter 137 and statistics of natural gas production as  
2 reported to the department under the natural resources severance tax requirements  
3 of KRS Chapter 143A may be made public by the department by release to the  
4 Energy and Environment Cabinet, Department for Natural Resources.

5 (6) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, beginning with mine-map  
6 submissions for the 1989 tax year, the department may make public or divulge only  
7 those portions of mine maps submitted by taxpayers to the department pursuant to  
8 KRS Chapter 132 for ad valorem tax purposes that depict the boundaries of mined-  
9 out parcel areas. These electronic maps shall not be relied upon to determine actual  
10 boundaries of mined-out parcel areas. Property boundaries contained in mine maps  
11 required under KRS Chapters 350 and 352 shall not be construed to constitute land  
12 surveying or boundary surveys as defined by KRS 322.010 and any administrative  
13 regulations promulgated thereto.