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102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE MAYHEW.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 143, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to income tax.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 143, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 143.024, to read as follows:

143.024. 1. For the purposes of this section, the following terms mean:

2 **(1) "Federal poverty guidelines", the federal poverty guidelines updated**
3 **annually in the Federal Register by the United States Department of Health and Human**
4 **Services under the authority of 42 U.S.C. Section 9902(2), as amended;**

5 **(2) "Qualified state employee income", to the extent included in the state**
6 **employee's federal adjusted gross income, the amount of any wages or salaries,**
7 **including any retirement income, paid to a state employee as direct remuneration for**
8 **services provided and derived from state employment that does not exceed six hundred**
9 **percent of the federal poverty guidelines for an individual and calculated without regard**
10 **to any other sources of income or persons in the state employee's family or household.**
11 **The term "qualified state employee income" as used under this section shall not include**
12 **the state employee's income from sources other than state employment, as calculated**
13 **and taxed under this chapter;**

14 **(3) "State employee", any individual with an income tax liability under this**
15 **chapter, excluding the withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, who is**
16 **employed in a full-time or part-time position by the state of Missouri and earns a salary**
17 **or wage in a position normally requiring the actual performance by him or her of duties**
18 **in such state employment, as defined under this section. The term "state employee"**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets ~~thus~~ in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

19 shall not include any elected or appointed office of the state of Missouri, any contractor
20 or independent contractor, or a person whose payment is contingent on the commission
21 or performance of work on a specific, one-time basis;

22 (4) "State employment", employment by any agency, department, division,
23 office, board, bureau, commission, institution, instrumentality, or other unit of the
24 executive branch, legislative branch, judicial branch, or other governmental entity of
25 the state of Missouri, excluding municipalities, counties, institutions of higher education,
26 and any public retirement system.

27 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary for all tax years
28 beginning on or after January 1, 2025, there shall be no tax imposed under this chapter
29 on the qualified state employee income of any resident who is a state employee and there
30 shall be no requirement for employer withholding of such income under section 143.191.
31 Any portion of a state employee's wages or salary derived from state employment that
32 exceeds the threshold for qualified state employee income shall be subject to tax under
33 this chapter on the remaining portion of such wages or salary. The withholding of tax
34 under section 143.191 for the remaining portion of wages and salary may be performed
35 over the course of the tax year based on the difference between the qualified state
36 employee income threshold and the employee's estimated wages or salary from state
37 employment for the year.

38 3. The exemption under this section shall be applied before all other applicable
39 exemptions, deductions, and other modifications allowed by law when calculating a state
40 employee's Missouri adjusted gross income.

41 4. The department may promulgate all necessary rules and regulations for the
42 administration of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in
43 section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall
44 become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter
45 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable
46 and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to
47 review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently
48 held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or
49 adopted after August 28, 2024, shall be invalid and void.

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