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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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RELATING TO TAXATION

Introduced By: Representatives Lima, Costantino, and Handy

Date Introduced: February 26, 2015

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Title 44 of the General Laws entitled "TAXATION" is hereby amended by  
2 adding thereto the following chapter:

3 CHAPTER 70

4 TAX CREDIT BENEFIT VERIFICATION

5 **44-70-1. Benefit of tax credits to the state of Rhode Island to be verified.** – Any  
6 business applying for a tax credit pursuant to title 42 or title 44 shall comply with the provisions  
7 of this chapter relating to tax credit benefits to the state of Rhode Island deriving from the  
8 issuance of tax credits to businesses. Any business applying for a tax credit shall provide the  
9 division of taxation with:

10 (1) A waiver of confidentiality providing the division of taxation access to any and all  
11 business or financial records necessary to verify the benefit to the state of Rhode Island from the  
12 issuance of the tax credit to the business.

13 (2) A signed affidavit indicating that the business shall turn over all financial records  
14 which are relevant to determine what the benefit to the state of Rhode Island is as a result of the  
15 issuance of the tax credit to the business.

16 **44-70-2. Benefit of tax credits to the state of Rhode Island to be verified—Existing**  
17 **recipients requirements.** – (a) Any business currently receiving a tax credit pursuant to title 42  
18 or title 44 shall comply with the provisions of § 44-70-1 by providing the division of taxation  
19 with a waiver of confidentiality and an affidavit indicating that the business will provide all

1 relevant business records necessary to verify benefits to the state of Rhode Island resulting from  
2 the issuance of the tax credit to the business.

3 (b) Any business which fails to comply with the provisions of this chapter shall return to  
4 the state of Rhode Island an amount equal to the tax credit already given.

5 **44-70-3. Rules and regulations.** – The tax administrator is authorized and empowered to  
6 promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the proper administration and enforcement of this  
7 chapter.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1           This act would require business tax credit recipients to provide the state with financial
- 2 business records to document any benefit to the state resulting from the issuance of the tax credit.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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