

97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2011 and 2012 HB3507

Introduced 2/24/2011, by Rep. Michelle Mussman

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

35 ILCS 5/221 new

Amends the Illinois Income Tax Act. Creates a credit for taxpayers who install a renewable energy system in a residential or commercial building owned or leased by the taxpayer during the taxable year. Sets forth the amount of the credit. Provides that the credit may be carried forward. Effective immediately.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY 1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Income Tax Act is amended by adding Section 221 as follows:
- 6 (35 ILCS 5/221 new)

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Sec. 221. Credit for renewable energy systems.

300,000 kilowatt hours per year.

- (a) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2012 8 9 and ending on or before December 31, 2017, each taxpayer that 10 installs a renewable energy system during the taxable year in a residential or commercial building owned or leased by the 11 12 taxpayer is entitled to a credit against the tax imposed under subsections (a) and (b) of Section 201 in an amount equal to 13 14 (i) 30% of the total system cost or \$25,000, whichever is less, if the system is under 50kW and produces at least 25% of the 15 16 building's energy use or (ii) 30% of the total system cost or
- 19 (b) The tax credit may not reduce the taxpayer's liability
 20 to less than zero. If the amount of the tax credit exceeds the
 21 tax liability for the year, the excess may be carried forward
 22 and applied to the tax liability of the 5 taxable years
 23 following the excess credit year. The credit must be applied to

\$100,000, whichever is less, if the system produces at least

- 1 the earliest year for which there is a tax liability. If there
- 2 are credits from more than one tax year that are available to
- 3 offset a liability, then the earlier credit must be applied
- 4 first.
- 5 (c) For the purposes of this Section, "renewable energy
- 6 system" means a system that generates energy from wind, solar
- 7 thermal energy, photovoltaic cells and panels, biodiesel,
- 8 crops and untreated and unadulterated organic waste biomass,
- 9 tree waste, hydropower that does not involve new construction
- 10 or significant expansion of hydropower dams, and other
- alternative sources of environmentally preferable energy.
- 12 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 13 becoming law.