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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

## ASSEMBLY BILL

**No. 1999**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Atkins**

February 20, 2014

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An act to amend Section 23036 of, and to add and repeal Sections 38.10, 17053.91, and 23686.1 of, the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation, to take effect immediately, tax levy.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1999, as amended, Atkins. Personal income and corporation taxes: credits: rehabilitation.

The Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law allow various credits against the taxes imposed by those laws.

This bill would allow *to a taxpayer that receives a tax credit reservation* a credit against those taxes for each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2015, and before January 1, 2023, in an amount, determined in modified conformity with a specified section of the Internal Revenue Code, for rehabilitation of certified historic structures. This bill would provide for a 20% credit, or 25% credit, of qualified rehabilitation expenditures if the structure meets specified criteria, for

rehabilitation of a certified historic structure within the state to be *reserved and* allocated by the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, which shall consult with the Office of Historic Preservation, as provided. The aggregate amount of credit would be ~~\$80,000,000~~ \$50,000,000 per calendar year, *\$10,000,000 of which is set aside for rehabilitation projects with qualified rehabilitation expenditures of less than \$1,000,000*, as specified. This bill would require the Legislative Analyst to, on an annual basis, collaborate with the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development to review the tax credit, as provided.

This bill would take effect immediately as a tax levy.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. (a) The Legislature finds and declares that
- 2 California's historic buildings are an important asset to
- 3 communities throughout the state, and that the preservation and
- 4 restoration of these buildings is important to enhancing civic pride,
- 5 increasing tourism, and maintaining vibrant neighborhoods.
- 6 (b) The Legislature further finds and declares all of the
- 7 following:
- 8 (1) The federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives program,
- 9 currently available to California's income producing historic
- 10 properties, has generated nearly \$1.5 billion in investment during
- 11 the last 10 years.
- 12 (2) While 35 states have similar state tax credits or incentives
- 13 for historic preservation, no such incentive exists in California.
- 14 (3) States that have partnered a state incentive with the federal
- 15 Historic Preservation Tax Incentive have reaped significant
- 16 economic development benefits, including construction and
- 17 building industry job creation, increased state tax revenues through
- 18 increased employment and wages, increased local property tax
- 19 revenues through increased property values, and increased local
- 20 tax revenues through sales taxes and heritage tourism.
- 21 (4) Over the last 10 years, California has had 129 projects
- 22 qualify for the federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives
- 23 program. These projects have been located in 20 different counties.

1 (5) As California communities continue to adjust and adapt to  
2 the dissolution of redevelopment agencies, proven tools are still  
3 needed to incentivize economic development and revitalize  
4 economically distressed areas.

5 SEC. 2. Section 38.10 is added to the Revenue and Taxation  
6 Code, to read:

7 38.10. (a) The Legislative Analyst shall, on an annual basis  
8 beginning January 1, 2016, collaborate with the Governor's Office  
9 of Business and Economic Development to review the effectiveness  
10 of the tax credits allowed by Sections ~~17053.86 and 23686~~  
11 *17053.91 and 23686.1*. The review shall include, but is not limited  
12 to, an analysis of the demand for the tax credit, the types and uses  
13 of projects receiving the tax credit, the jobs created by the use of  
14 the tax credits, and the economic impact of the tax credits.

15 (b) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2024,  
16 and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that  
17 is enacted before January 1, 2024, deletes or extends that date.

18 SEC. 3. Section 17053.91 is added to the Revenue and Taxation  
19 Code, to read:

20 17053.91. For each taxable year beginning on or after January  
21 1, 2015, and before January 1, 2023, there shall be allowed ~~as to~~  
22 *a taxpayer who receives a tax credit reservation* a credit against  
23 the "net tax," as defined in Section 17039, an amount determined  
24 in accordance with Section 47 of the Internal Revenue Code, except  
25 as follows:

26 (a) (1) In lieu of the percentages specified in Section 47(a) of  
27 the Internal Revenue Code, except as provided in paragraph (2),  
28 the applicable percentage shall be 20 percent of the qualified  
29 rehabilitation expenditures with respect to a certified historic  
30 structure.

31 (2) The applicable percentage shall be 25 percent of the qualified  
32 rehabilitation expenditures with respect to a certified historic  
33 structure if that certified historic structure meets one of the  
34 following criteria:

35 (A) The rehabilitated structure is located on federal surplus  
36 property, if obtained by a local agency under Section 54142 of the  
37 Government Code, on surplus state real property, as defined by  
38 Section 11011.1 of the Government Code, or on surplus land, as  
39 defined by subdivision (b) of Section 54221 of the Government  
40 Code.

1 (B) The rehabilitated structure includes affordable housing for  
2 lower-income households, as defined by Section 50079.5 of the  
3 Health and Safety Code.

4 (C) The structure is located in a designated census tract, as  
5 defined in paragraph (7) of subdivision (b) of Section 17053.73.

6 (D) The structure is a part of a military base reuse authority  
7 established pursuant to Title 7.86 (commencing with Section  
8 67800) of the Government Code.

9 (E) The structure is a transit-oriented development that is a  
10 higher-density, mixed-use development within a walking distance  
11 of one-half mile of a transit station.

12 (3) The credit shall be allowed for qualified rehabilitation  
13 expenditures for an owner-occupied residence determined by the  
14 Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development and  
15 the Office of Historic Preservation to have a public benefit in the  
16 year of completion in the amounts specified in paragraphs (1) and  
17 (2), as applicable, for those *qualified rehabilitation expenditure*  
18 amounts that are equal to or more than five thousand dollars  
19 (\$5,000) but do not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).  
20 *A taxpayer shall only be allowed a credit pursuant to this*  
21 *paragraph once every 10 taxable years.*

22 (4) *Section 47(c)(1)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified*  
23 *so that only the 24-month period shall apply.*

24 (b) For purposes of this section, the following definitions shall  
25 apply:

26 (1) "Certified historic structure" has the same meaning as  
27 defined in Section ~~47(e)(3)~~, 47(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code,  
28 Code and additionally means a structure in this state that is listed  
29 ~~below~~ on the California Register of Historical Resources.

30 (2) "Owner-occupied residence" ~~means a building that will be~~  
31 ~~owned and occupied by an individual tax payer, who has a~~  
32 ~~household income of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) or~~  
33 ~~less, as the taxpayer's principal residence~~ *has the same meaning*  
34 *as that term is defined in Section 163(h)(4) of the Internal Revenue*  
35 *Code, that will be owned and occupied by an individual taxpayer*  
36 *who has a modified adjusted gross income, as defined by Section*  
37 *62 of the Internal Revenue Code, of two hundred thousand dollars*  
38 *(\$200,000) or less, as the taxpayer's principal residence or will*  
39 *be after the rehabilitation of the residence.*

(3) (A) “Qualified rehabilitation expenditure” has the same meaning as that term is defined in Section 47(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, except that qualified rehabilitation expenditures may include expenditures in connection with the rehabilitation of a building without regard to whether any portion of the building is or is reasonably expected to be tax-exempt use property.

(B) “Qualified rehabilitation expenditure” also means rehabilitation expenditures incurred by the taxpayer with respect to an owner-occupied principal residence for the rehabilitation of the exterior of the building or rehabilitation necessary for the functioning of the home, including, but not limited to, rehabilitation of the electrical, plumbing, or foundation of the principal residence.

*(c) (1) To be eligible for the credit allowed by this section, a taxpayer shall request a tax credit reservation from the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development, in the form and manner prescribed by the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development.*

*(2) To obtain a tax credit reservation, the taxpayer shall provide necessary information, as determined by the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development.*

*(3) A tax credit reservation provided to a taxpayer shall not constitute a determination by the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development with respect to any of the requirements of this section regarding a taxpayer’s eligibility for the credit authorized by this section.*

*(4) If a taxpayer receives a tax credit reservation but rehabilitation has not commenced within 18 months of the issuance of the tax credit reservation, the tax credit reservation shall be forfeited and the credit amount associated with the tax credit reservation shall be treated as an unused allocation tax credit amount.*

~~(e)~~

*(d)* A deduction shall not be allowed under this part for any expense for which a credit is allowed by this section.

~~(d)~~

*(e)* If a credit is allowed under this section with respect to any property, the basis of that property shall be reduced by the amount of the credit allowed.

~~(e)~~

(f) In the case where the credit allowed by this section exceeds the “net tax,” the excess may be carried over to reduce the “net tax” in the following year, and the seven succeeding years if necessary, until the credit is exhausted.

(f)

(g) For purposes of this section, the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development shall do the following:

(1) On and after January 1, 2015, and before January 1, 2023, *reserve and* allocate tax credits to applicants.

(2) Establish a procedure for applicants to file with the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development a written application, on a form jointly prescribed by that office and the Office of Historic Preservation for the ~~allocation~~ *reservation* of the tax credit.

(3) Establish criteria consistent with the requirements of this section, for ~~allocating~~ *reserving* tax credits. *A taxpayer shall not receive a tax credit reservation unless the following criteria are met.* Criteria shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

(A) The number of jobs created by the rehabilitation project, both during and after the rehabilitation of the structure.

(B) The expected increase in state and local tax revenues derived from the rehabilitation project, including those from increased wages and property taxes.

(C) Any additional incentives or contributions included in the rehabilitation project from federal, state, or local governments.

(D) For the qualified rehabilitation expenditures with respect to an owner-occupied principal residence, the rehabilitation has a public benefit, as determined jointly with the Office of Historic Preservation.

(4) Determine and designate, in consultation with the Office of Historic Preservation, applicants that meet the requirements of this section to ensure that the rehabilitation project ~~upholds historical values in terms of architectural and aesthetic standards~~ *meets the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation, as found in Part 67 of Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations.*

(5) Process and approve, or reject, all *tax credit reservation* applications.

(6) (A) Subject to the annual cap established as provided in subdivision ~~(g)~~, (h), allocate an aggregate amount of credits under

1 this section and Section 23686.1, and allocate any carryover of  
2 unallocated credits from prior years.

3 *(B) A taxpayer shall be allocated a tax credit pursuant to the*  
4 *taxpayer's tax credit reservation upon receipt by the Governor's*  
5 *Office of Business and Economic Development of a cost*  
6 *certification for the qualified rehabilitation expenditures. For*  
7 *projects with qualified rehabilitation expenditures in excess of two*  
8 *hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), the cost certification*  
9 *shall be issued by a licensed certified public accountant.*

10 (7) Certify tax credits allocated to taxpayers.

11 (8) Provide the Franchise Tax Board an annual list of the  
12 taxpayers that were allocated a credit pursuant to this section and  
13 Section ~~23686~~ 23686.1, including each taxpayer's taxpayer  
14 identification number, and the amount allocated to each taxpayer.

15 ~~(g)~~

16 *(h) (1) The aggregate amount of credits that may be allocated*  
17 *in any calendar year pursuant to this section and Section ~~23686~~*  
18 *23686.1 shall be an amount equal to the sum of all of the following:*

19 ~~(1)~~

20 *(A) ~~Eighty-Fifty~~ million dollars ~~(\$80,000,000)~~ (\$50,000,000) in*  
21 *tax credits for the 2015 calendar year and each calendar year*  
22 *thereafter, through and including the 2022 calendar year.*

23 ~~(2)~~

24 *(B) The unused allocation tax credit amount, if any, for the*  
25 *preceding calendar year.*

26 *(2) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Governor's Office of*  
27 *Business and Economic Development shall set aside ten million*  
28 *dollars (\$10,000,000) of tax credits each calendar year for*  
29 *taxpayers with qualified rehabilitation expenditures of less than*  
30 *one million dollars (\$1,000,000). To the extent that this amount*  
31 *is not fully reserved in any calendar year, the unused portion shall*  
32 *become available for reservation to other taxpayers.*

33 ~~(h)~~

34 *(i) In the case of any application for tax credits by an entity*  
35 *treated as a partnership or "S" corporation for income tax purposes:*

36 (1) (A) Credits awarded to a partnership shall be allocated to  
37 the partners of that partnership in accordance with the partnership  
38 agreement, regardless of how the federal historic rehabilitation tax  
39 credit with respect to the project is allocated to the partners, or  
40 whether the allocation of the credit under the terms of the

1 partnership agreement has substantial economic effect, within the  
2 meaning of Section 704(b) of the Internal Revenue Code.

3 (B) To the extent the allocation of the credit to a partner under  
4 this section lacks substantial economic effect, any loss or deduction  
5 otherwise allowable under this part that is attributable to the sale  
6 or other disposition of that partner's partnership interest made prior  
7 to the expiration of the tax credit recapture period for the project  
8 described in subparagraph (A) shall not be allowed in the taxable  
9 year in which the sale or other disposition occurs, but shall instead  
10 be deferred until, and treated as if, it occurred in the first taxable  
11 year immediately following the taxable year in which the tax credit  
12 recapture period expires for the project described in subparagraph  
13 (A). The credits awarded to a partnership shall be allocated to the  
14 partners of that partnership in accordance with the partnership  
15 agreement.

16 (2) Credits awarded to an "S" corporation shall be allocated  
17 among the shareholders of that "S" corporation pro rata in  
18 accordance with their respective pro rata shares, determined in  
19 accordance with Subchapter S of Chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue  
20 Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

21 ~~(i)~~

22 ~~(j)~~ Section 183 of the Internal Revenue Code shall not apply  
23 with respect to the credit allowed by this section.

24 ~~(j)~~

25 ~~(k)~~ For purposes of this section, the provisions of subsection (a)  
26 of Section 50 of the Internal Revenue Code shall apply.

27 *(l) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, a credit*  
28 *allowed pursuant to this section may reduce the tax imposed under*  
29 *Section 17041 or 17048 plus the tax imposed under Section 17504,*  
30 *relating to the separate tax on lump-sum distributions, below the*  
31 *tentative minimum tax.*

32 *(m) This section shall remain in effect regardless of the*  
33 *expiration or repeal of Section 47 of the Internal Revenue Code,*  
34 *relating to rehabilitation credit.*

35 ~~(k)~~

36 *(n)* The Governor's Office of Business and Economic  
37 Development may adopt a reasonable fee in an amount sufficient  
38 to cover the expenses incurred by the Governor's Office of  
39 Business and Economic Development and the Office of Historic  
40 Preservation in fulfilling the responsibilities described in



1 paragraphs (4) and (5) of subdivision-(f) (g) and paragraphs (4)  
2 and (5) of subdivision-(f) (g) of Section 23686 23686.1.

3 ~~(f)~~

4 (o) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1,  
5 2023, and as of that date is repealed.

6 SEC. 4. ~~Section 23036 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is~~  
7 ~~amended to read:~~

8 23036. (a) (1) The term “tax” includes any of the following:

9 (A) The tax imposed under Chapter 2 (commencing with Section  
10 23101).

11 (B) The tax imposed under Chapter 3 (commencing with Section  
12 23501).

13 (C) ~~The tax on unrelated business taxable income, imposed~~  
14 ~~under Section 23731.~~

15 (D) ~~The tax on “S” corporations imposed under Section 23802.~~

16 (2) ~~The term “tax” does not include any amount imposed under~~  
17 ~~paragraph (1) of subdivision (e) of Section 24667 or paragraph (2)~~  
18 ~~of subdivision (f) of Section 24667.~~

19 (b) ~~For purposes of Article 5 (commencing with Section 18661)~~  
20 ~~of Chapter 2, Article 3 (commencing with Section 19031) of~~  
21 ~~Chapter 4, Article 6 (commencing with Section 19101) of Chapter~~  
22 ~~4, and Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 19501) of Part 10.2,~~  
23 ~~and for purposes of Sections 18601, 19001, and 19005, the term~~  
24 ~~“tax” also includes all of the following:~~

25 (1) ~~The tax on limited partnerships, imposed under Section~~  
26 ~~17935, the tax on limited liability companies, imposed under~~  
27 ~~Section 17941, and the tax on registered limited liability~~  
28 ~~partnerships and foreign limited liability partnerships imposed~~  
29 ~~under Section 17948.~~

30 (2) ~~The alternative minimum tax imposed under Chapter 2.5~~  
31 ~~(commencing with Section 23400).~~

32 (3) ~~The tax on built-in gains of “S” corporations, imposed under~~  
33 ~~Section 23809.~~

34 (4) ~~The tax on excess passive investment income of “S”~~  
35 ~~corporations, imposed under Section 23811.~~

36 (e) ~~Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, credits are~~  
37 ~~allowed against the “tax” in the following order:~~

38 (1) ~~Credits that do not contain carryover provisions.~~

39 (2) ~~Credits that, when the credit exceeds the “tax,” allow the~~  
40 ~~excess to be carried over to offset the “tax” in succeeding taxable~~

1 years, except for those credits that are allowed to reduce the “tax”  
2 below the tentative minimum tax, as defined by Section 23455.  
3 The order of credits within this paragraph shall be determined by  
4 the Franchise Tax Board.  
5 (3) ~~The minimum tax credit allowed by Section 23453.~~  
6 (4) ~~Credits that are allowed to reduce the “tax” below the~~  
7 ~~tentative minimum tax, as defined by Section 23455.~~  
8 (5) ~~Credits for taxes withheld under Section 18662.~~  
9 (d) ~~Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, each of~~  
10 ~~the following applies:~~  
11 (1) ~~A credit may not reduce the “tax” below the tentative~~  
12 ~~minimum tax (as defined by paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of~~  
13 ~~Section 23455), except the following credits:~~  
14 (A) ~~The credit allowed by former Section 23601 (relating to~~  
15 ~~solar energy).~~  
16 (B) ~~The credit allowed by former Section 23601.4 (relating to~~  
17 ~~solar energy).~~  
18 (C) ~~The credit allowed by former Section 23601.5 (relating to~~  
19 ~~solar energy).~~  
20 (D) ~~The credit allowed by Section 23609 (relating to research~~  
21 ~~expenditures).~~  
22 (E) ~~The credit allowed by former Section 23609.5 (relating to~~  
23 ~~clinical testing expenses).~~  
24 (F) ~~The credit allowed by Section 23610.5 (relating to~~  
25 ~~low-income housing).~~  
26 (G) ~~The credit allowed by former Section 23612 (relating to~~  
27 ~~sales and use tax credit).~~  
28 (H) ~~The credit allowed by Section 23612.2 (relating to enterprise~~  
29 ~~zone sales or use tax credit).~~  
30 (I) ~~The credit allowed by former Section 23612.6 (relating to~~  
31 ~~Los Angeles Revitalization Zone sales tax credit).~~  
32 (J) ~~The credit allowed by former Section 23622 (relating to~~  
33 ~~enterprise zone hiring credit).~~  
34 (K) ~~The credit allowed by Section 23622.7 (relating to enterprise~~  
35 ~~zone hiring credit).~~  
36 (L) ~~The credit allowed by former Section 23623 (relating to~~  
37 ~~program area hiring credit).~~  
38 (M) ~~The credit allowed by former Section 23623.5 (relating to~~  
39 ~~Los Angeles Revitalization Zone hiring credit).~~

1     ~~(N) The credit allowed by former Section 23625 (relating to~~  
2 ~~Los Angeles Revitalization Zone hiring credit).~~

3     ~~(O) The credit allowed by Section 23633 (relating to targeted~~  
4 ~~tax area sales or use tax credit).~~

5     ~~(P) The credit allowed by Section 23634 (relating to targeted~~  
6 ~~tax area hiring credit).~~

7     ~~(Q) The credit allowed by former Section 23649 (relating to~~  
8 ~~qualified property).~~

9     ~~(R) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011, the~~  
10 ~~credit allowed by Section 23685 (relating to qualified motion~~  
11 ~~pictures).~~

12     ~~(S) The credit allowed by Section 23686.1 (relating to credits~~  
13 ~~for rehabilitation of certified historic structures).~~

14     ~~(2) A credit against the tax may not reduce the minimum~~  
15 ~~franchise tax imposed under Chapter 2 (commencing with Section~~  
16 ~~23101).~~

17     ~~(e) Any credit which is partially or totally denied under~~  
18 ~~subdivision (d) is allowed to be carried over to reduce the "tax"~~  
19 ~~in the following year, and succeeding years if necessary, if the~~  
20 ~~provisions relating to that credit include a provision to allow a~~  
21 ~~carryover of the unused portion of that credit.~~

22     ~~(f) Unless otherwise provided, any remaining carryover from a~~  
23 ~~credit that has been repealed or made inoperative is allowed to be~~  
24 ~~carried over under the provisions of that section as it read~~  
25 ~~immediately prior to being repealed or becoming inoperative.~~

26     ~~(g) Unless otherwise provided, if two or more taxpayers share~~  
27 ~~in costs that would be eligible for a tax credit allowed under this~~  
28 ~~part, each taxpayer is eligible to receive the tax credit in proportion~~  
29 ~~to his or her respective share of the costs paid or incurred.~~

30     ~~(h) Unless otherwise provided, in the case of an "S" corporation,~~  
31 ~~any credit allowed by this part is computed at the "S" corporation~~  
32 ~~level, and any limitation on the expenses qualifying for the credit~~  
33 ~~or limitation upon the amount of the credit applies to the "S"~~  
34 ~~corporation and to each shareholder.~~

35     ~~(i) (1) With respect to any taxpayer that directly or indirectly~~  
36 ~~owns an interest in a business entity that is disregarded for tax~~  
37 ~~purposes pursuant to Section 23038 and any regulations thereunder,~~  
38 ~~the amount of any credit or credit carryforward allowable for any~~  
39 ~~taxable year attributable to the disregarded business entity is limited~~  
40 ~~in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3).~~

~~(2) The amount of any credit otherwise allowed under this part, including any credit carryover from prior years, that may be applied to reduce the taxpayer's "tax," as defined in subdivision (a), for the taxable year is limited to an amount equal to the excess of the taxpayer's regular tax (as defined in Section 23455), determined by including income attributable to the disregarded business entity that generated the credit or credit carryover, over the taxpayer's regular tax (as defined in Section 23455), determined by excluding the income attributable to that disregarded business entity. A credit is not allowed if the taxpayer's regular tax (as defined in Section 23455), determined by including the income attributable to the disregarded business entity is less than the taxpayer's regular tax (as defined in Section 23455), determined by excluding the income attributable to the disregarded business entity.~~

~~(3) If the amount of a credit allowed pursuant to the section establishing the credit exceeds the amount allowable under this subdivision in any taxable year, the excess amount may be carried over to subsequent taxable years pursuant to subdivisions (d), (e), and (f).~~

~~(j) (1) Unless otherwise specifically provided, in the case of a taxpayer that is a partner or shareholder of an eligible pass-thru entity described in paragraph (2), any credit passed through to the taxpayer in the taxpayer's first taxable year beginning on or after the date the credit is no longer operative may be claimed by the taxpayer in that taxable year, notwithstanding the repeal of the statute authorizing the credit prior to the close of that taxable year.~~

~~(2) For purposes of this subdivision, "eligible pass-thru entity" means any partnership or "S" corporation that files its return on a fiscal year basis pursuant to Section 18566, and that is entitled to a credit pursuant to this part for the taxable year that begins during the last year a credit is operative.~~

~~(3) This subdivision applies to credits that become inoperative on or after the operative date of the act adding this subdivision.~~

~~SEC. 5.~~

*SEC. 4.* Section 23686.1 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

23686.1. For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2015, and before January 1, 2023, there shall be allowed *as to a taxpayer that receives a tax credit reservation* a credit against the "tax," as defined in Section 23036, an amount determined in

1 accordance with Section 47 of the Internal Revenue Code, except  
2 as follows:

3 (a) (1) In lieu of the percentages specified in Section 47(a) of  
4 the Internal Revenue Code, except as provided in paragraph (2),  
5 the applicable percentage shall be 20 percent of the qualified  
6 rehabilitation expenditures with respect to a certified historic  
7 structure.

8 (2) The applicable percentage shall be 25 percent of the qualified  
9 rehabilitation expenditures with respect to a certified historic  
10 structure if that *certified* historic structure meets one of the  
11 following criteria:

12 (A) The rehabilitated structure is located on federal surplus  
13 property, if obtained by a local agency under Section 54142 of the  
14 Government Code, on surplus state real property, as defined by  
15 Section 11011.1 of the Government Code, or on surplus land, as  
16 defined by subdivision (b) of Section 54221 of the Government  
17 Code.

18 (B) The rehabilitated structure includes affordable housing for  
19 lower-income households, as defined by Section 50079.5 of the  
20 Health and Safety Code.

21 (C) The structure is located in a designated census tract, as  
22 defined in paragraph (7) of subdivision (b) of Section 17053.73.

23 (D) The structure is a part of a military base reuse authority  
24 established pursuant to Title 7.86 (commencing with Section  
25 67800) of the Government Code.

26 (E) The structure is a transit-oriented development that is a  
27 higher-density, mixed-use development within a walking distance  
28 of one-half mile of a transit station.

29 (b) For purposes of this section, the following *definitions* shall  
30 apply:

31 (1) “Certified historic structure” has the same meaning as  
32 defined in Section 47(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and  
33 additionally means a structure in this state that is listed on the  
34 California Register of Historical Resources.

35 (2) “Qualified rehabilitation expenditure” has the same meaning  
36 as that term is defined in Section 47(c) of the Internal Revenue  
37 Code, except that qualified rehabilitation expenditures may include  
38 expenditures in connection with the rehabilitation of a building  
39 without regard to whether any portion of the building is or is  
40 reasonably expected to be tax exempt use property.

1 (c) (1) *To be eligible for the credit allowed by this section, a*  
2 *taxpayer shall request a tax credit reservation from the Governor's*  
3 *Office of Business and Economic Development, in the form and*  
4 *manner prescribed by the Governor's Office of Business and*  
5 *Economic Development.*

6 (2) *To obtain a tax credit reservation, the taxpayer shall provide*  
7 *necessary information, as determined by the Governor's Office of*  
8 *Business and Economic Development.*

9 (3) *A tax credit reservation provided to a taxpayer shall not*  
10 *constitute a determination by the Governor's Office of Business*  
11 *and Economic Development with respect to any of the requirements*  
12 *of this section regarding a taxpayer's eligibility for the credit*  
13 *authorized by this section.*

14 (4) *If a taxpayer receives a tax credit reservation but*  
15 *rehabilitation has not commenced within 18 months of the issuance*  
16 *of the tax credit reservation, the tax credit reservation shall be*  
17 *forfeited and the credit amount associated with the tax credit*  
18 *reservation shall be treated as an unused allocation tax credit*  
19 *amount.*

20 ~~(e)~~  
21 (d) *A deduction shall not be allowed under this part for any cost*  
22 *expense for which a credit is allowed by this section.*

23 ~~(d)~~  
24 (e) *If a credit is allowed under this section with respect to any*  
25 *property, the basis of that property shall be reduced by the amount*  
26 *of the credit allowed.*

27 ~~(e)~~  
28 (f) *In the case where the credit allowed by this section exceeds*  
29 *the "tax," the excess may be carried over to reduce the "tax" in*  
30 *the following year, and the seven succeeding years if necessary,*  
31 *until the credit is exhausted.*

32 ~~(f)~~  
33 (g) *For purposes of this section, the Governor's Office of*  
34 *Business and Economic Development shall do the following:*

35 (1) *On and after January 1, 2015, and before January 1, 2023,*  
36 *reserve and allocate tax credits to applicants.*

37 (2) *Establish a procedure for applicants to file with the*  
38 *Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development a*  
39 *written application, on a form jointly prescribed by that office and*

1 the Office of Historic Preservation for the ~~allocation~~ *reservation*  
2 of the tax credit.

3 (3) Establish criteria consistent with the requirements of this  
4 section, for ~~allocating~~ *reserving* tax credits. *A taxpayer shall not*  
5 *receive a tax credit reservation unless the following criteria are*  
6 *met.* Criteria shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

7 (A) The number of jobs created by the rehabilitation project,  
8 both during and after the rehabilitation of the structure.

9 (B) The expected increase in state and local tax revenues derived  
10 from the rehabilitation project, including those from increased  
11 wages and property taxes.

12 (C) Any additional incentives or contributions included in the  
13 rehabilitation project from federal, state, or local governments.

14 (4) Determine and designate, in consultation with the Office of  
15 Historic Preservation, applicants that meet the requirements of this  
16 section to ensure that the rehabilitation project ~~upholds historical~~  
17 ~~values in terms of architectural and aesthetic standards~~ *meets the*  
18 *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, as found*  
19 *in Part 67 of Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations.*

20 (5) Process and approve, or reject, all *tax credit reservation*  
21 *applications.*

22 (6) (A) Subject to the annual cap established as provided in  
23 subdivision ~~(g)~~, *(h)*, allocate an aggregate amount of credits under  
24 this section and Section ~~17053.86~~ *17053.91*, and allocate any  
25 carryover of unallocated credits from prior years.

26 (B) *A taxpayer shall be allocated a tax credit pursuant to the*  
27 *taxpayer's tax credit reservation upon receipt by the Governor's*  
28 *Office of Business and Economic Development of a cost*  
29 *certification for the qualified rehabilitation expenditures. For*  
30 *projects with qualified rehabilitation expenditures in excess of two*  
31 *hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000), the cost certification*  
32 *shall be issued by a licensed certified public accountant.*

33 (7) Certify tax credits allocated to taxpayers.

34 (8) Provide the Franchise Tax Board an annual list of the  
35 taxpayers that were allocated a credit pursuant to this section and  
36 Section ~~17053.86~~, *17053.91* including each taxpayer's taxpayer  
37 identification number, and the amount allocated to each taxpayer.

38 ~~(g)~~

(h) (1) The aggregate amount of credits that may be allocated in any calendar year pursuant to this section and Section 17053.91 shall be an amount equal to the sum of all of the following:

(1)

(A) ~~Eighty~~ Fifty million dollars (~~\$80,000,000~~) (\$50,000,000) in tax credits for the 2015 calendar year and each calendar year thereafter, through and including the 2022 calendar year.

(2)

(B) The unused allocation tax credit amount, if any, for the preceding calendar year.

(2) *Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development shall set aside ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) of tax credits each calendar year for taxpayers with qualified rehabilitation expenditures of less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000). To the extent that this amount is not fully reserved in any calendar year, the unused portion shall become available for reservation to other taxpayers.*

(h)

(i) In the case of any application for tax credits by an entity treated as a partnership or "S" corporation for income tax purposes:

(1) (A) Credits awarded to a partnership shall be allocated to the partners of that partnership in accordance with the partnership agreement, regardless of how the federal historic rehabilitation tax credit with respect to the project is allocated to the partners, or whether the allocation of the credit under the terms of the partnership agreement has substantial economic effect, within the meaning of Section 704(b) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(B) To the extent the allocation of the credit to a partner under this section lacks substantial economic effect, any loss or deduction otherwise allowable under this part that is attributable to the sale or other disposition of that partner's partnership interest made prior to the expiration of the tax credit recapture period for the project described in subparagraph (A) shall not be allowed in the taxable year in which the sale or other disposition occurs, but shall instead be deferred until, and treated as if, it occurred in the first taxable year immediately following the taxable year in which the tax credit recapture period expires for the project described in subparagraph (A). The credits awarded to a partnership shall be allocated to the partners of that partnership in accordance with the partnership agreement.



(2) Credits awarded to an “S” corporation shall be allocated among the shareholders of that “S” corporation pro rata in accordance with their respective pro rata shares, determined in accordance with Subchapter S of Chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder.

~~(i)~~

(j) Section 183 of the Internal Revenue Code shall not apply with respect to the credit allowed by this section.

~~(j)~~

(k) For purposes of this section, the provisions of subsection (a) of Section 50 of the Internal Revenue Code shall apply.

*(l) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, a credit allowed pursuant to this section may reduce the “tax” below the tentative minimum tax, as defined by paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) of Section 23455.*

*(m) This section shall remain in effect regardless of the expiration or repeal of Section 47 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to rehabilitation credit.*

~~(k)~~

(n) The Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development may adopt a reasonable fee in an amount sufficient to cover the expenses incurred by the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development and the Office of Historic Preservation in fulfilling the responsibilities described in paragraphs (4) and (5) of subdivision-~~(f)~~ (g) and paragraphs (4) and (5) of subdivision-~~(f)~~ (g) of Section 17053.91.

~~(f)~~

(o) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1, 2023, and as of that date is repealed.

~~SEC. 6.~~

SEC. 5. This act provides for a tax levy within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect.