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SENATE BILL No. 1239

Introduced by Senator Wyland

February 19, 2010

An act to amend Sections 17052.12, 17250, 17276, 17276.10, 23609, 24349, 24416, and 24416.10 of, to add Sections 6377.1, 17053.76, ~~and 23622.9~~ *18154, 23622.9, and 24996* to, and to repeal and amend Sections 17053.80 and 23623 of, the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation, to take effect immediately, tax levy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1239, as amended, Wyland. Income and corporation ~~tax credits: research and development: manufacturer's investment: qualified employees.~~ *taxes: sales and use taxes.*

The Sales and Use Tax Law imposes a tax on retailers measured by the gross receipts from the sale of tangible personal property sold at retail in this state, or on the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of tangible personal property purchased from a retailer for storage, use, or other consumption in this state. That law provides various exemptions from those taxes.

The bill would exempt from those taxes, on or after January 1, 2011, the gross receipts from the sale of, and the storage, use, or other consumption of, tangible personal property purchased by a qualified person for use in the manufacturing process, as specified, or to be used primarily in qualified research, as specified. This bill would also exempt the gross receipts from the sale of, and the storage, use, or other consumption of, tangible personal property purchased for use by a contractor for specified purposes.

The Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law authorize various credits against the taxes imposed by those laws. Both laws, in specified conformity to federal income tax laws, allow a credit for increasing research expenses, as defined. In general, the amount of the credit under both laws is equal to 15% of the excess of the qualified research expenses, as defined, for the taxable year over the base amount, as defined, and, in addition, for purposes of the Corporation Tax Law, 24% of the basic research payments, as defined. The term "base amount" means the product of the average annual gross receipts of the taxpayer for each of the specified years preceding the taxable year and the fixed-base percentage, as defined, but in no event less than 50% of the qualified research expenses for the taxable year. A taxpayer may elect an alternative incremental credit for increasing research expenses in modified conformity to federal income tax laws.

This bill would increase the credit for increasing research expenses to 20% of the excess of the qualified research expenses *over the base amount*. This bill would also provide complete conformity to the alternative incremental credit provided under those federal income tax laws.

The Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law authorize a credit for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2009, and before January 1, 2011, in an amount equal to $3,000, prorated as provided, for each full-time employee hired during the taxable year by an employer that employed a specified number of employees. Those laws contain a specified cut-off date for the credits and require those sections to be repealed as of a specified date.

This bill would delete the requirement related to the number of employees employed by the employer and the specified cut-off date and repeal date. This bill would, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2010, also allow a credit under both laws in an amount equal to specified percentages of wages paid by a ~~qualified employer~~ *taxpayer* to a qualified employee.

The Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law authorize a taxpayer to depreciate property, determined by an applicable depreciation method, an applicable recovery period, and an applicable convention.

This bill would reduce the recovery period for ~~the~~ depreciating property to one-half of the ~~amount~~ *period* authorized by existing law.

The Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law provide that a net operating loss attributable to a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2008, shall be a net operating loss carryback to each of the 2 taxable years preceding the taxable year of loss. Those laws allow a net operating loss carryback in an amount that shall not exceed specified percentages of the net operating loss.

This bill would, commencing in 2015, extend the net operating loss carryback to each of the 5 taxable years preceding the taxable year of the loss and would increase the percentage of net operating loss carryback to 100% of the net operating loss for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, ~~2011~~ *2012*.

The Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law provide that gain or loss upon the disposition of a capital asset is determined by reference to the specified adjusted basis of that asset.

This bill would provide under both laws that the gross income of a taxpayer does not include any gain from the sale or exchange of any capital asset.

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:

SECTION 1. Section 6377.1 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

6377.1. (a) (1) On and after January 1, 2011, there are exempted from the taxes imposed by this part the gross receipts from the sale of, and the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of, any of the following:

(A) Tangible personal property purchased for use by a qualified person to be used primarily in any stage of the manufacturing, processing, refining, fabricating, or recycling of property, beginning at the point any raw materials are received by the qualified person and introduced into the process and ending at the point at which the manufacturing, processing, refining, fabricating, or recycling has altered property to its completed form, including packaging, if required.

(B) Tangible personal property purchased for use by a contractor purchasing that property either as an agent of a qualified person or for the contractor's own account and subsequent resale to a qualified person for use in the performance of a construction contract for the qualified person who will use the tangible personal property as an integral part of the manufacturing, processing, refining, fabricating, or recycling process, or as a storage facility for use in connection with the manufacturing process.

(C) Tangible personal property purchased for use by a qualified person to be used primarily in research and development.

(2) This exemption shall not apply to any tangible personal property that is used primarily in administration, general management, or marketing.

(b) For purposes of this section:

(1) “Fabricating” means to make, build, create, produce, or assemble components or property to work in a new or different manner.

(2) “Manufacturing” means the activity of converting or conditioning property by changing the form, composition, quality, or character of the property for ultimate sale at retail or use in the manufacturing of a product to be ultimately sold at retail. Manufacturing includes any improvements to tangible personal property that result in a greater service life or greater functionality than that of the original property.

(3) “Primarily” means tangible personal property used 50 percent or more of the time in an activity described in subdivision (a).

(4) “Process” means the period beginning at the point at which any raw materials are received by the qualified taxpayer and introduced into the manufacturing, processing, refining, fabricating, or recycling activity of the qualified taxpayer and ending at the point at which the manufacturing, processing, refining, fabricating, or recycling activity of the qualified taxpayer has altered tangible personal property to its completed form, including packaging, if required. Raw materials shall be considered to have been introduced into the process when the raw materials are stored on the same premises where the qualified taxpayer’s manufacturing, processing, refining, or recycling activity is conducted. Raw materials that are stored on premises other than where the qualified taxpayer’s manufacturing, processing, refining, fabricating, or recycling activity is conducted, shall not be considered to have been introduced into the manufacturing, processing, refining, fabricating, or recycling process.

(5) “Processing” means the physical application of the materials and labor necessary to modify or change the characteristics of property.

(6) "Qualified person" means either of the following:

(A) A person who is engaged in those lines of business described in Codes 3111 to 3399, inclusive, of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) published by the United States Office of Management and Budget (OMB), 2007 edition.

(B) An affiliate of a person qualified pursuant to subparagraph (A) shall also be considered a qualified person as long as the affiliate is included as a member of that person's unitary group for which a combined report is required to be filed under Article ~~I~~ *1* (commencing with Section 25101) of Chapter 17.

(7) "Refining" means the process of converting a natural resource to an intermediate or finished product.

(8) "Tangible personal property" includes, but is not limited to, all of the following:

(A) Machinery and equipment, including component parts and contrivances such as belts, shafts, moving parts, and operating structures.

(B) All equipment or devices used or required to operate, control, regulate, or maintain the machinery, including, without limitation, computers, data processing equipment, and computer software, together with all repair and replacement parts with a useful life of one or more years therefor, whether purchased separately or in conjunction with a complete machine and regardless of whether the machine or component parts are assembled by the taxpayer or another party.

(C) Property used in pollution control that meets standards established by this state or any local or regional governmental agency within this state.

(D) Special purpose buildings and foundations used as an integral part of the manufacturing, processing, refining, or fabricating process, or that constitute a research or storage facility used during the manufacturing process. Buildings used solely for warehousing purposes after completion of the manufacturing process are not included.

(E) Fuels used or consumed in the manufacturing process.

(9) "Tangible personal property" shall not include any of the following:

(A) Consumables with a normal useful life of less than one year, except as provided in subparagraph (E) of paragraph (8).

(B) Furniture, inventory, and equipment used in the extraction process, or equipment used to store finished products that have completed the manufacturing process.

(c) No exemption shall be allowed under this section unless the purchaser furnishes the retailer with an exemption certificate, completed in accordance with any instructions or regulations as the board may prescribe, and the retailer subsequently furnishes the board with a copy of the exemption certificate. The exemption certificate shall contain the sales price of the machinery or equipment, the sale of, or the storage, use, or other consumption of which is exempt pursuant to subdivision (a).

(d) Notwithstanding any provision of the Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law (Part 1.5 (commencing with Section 7200)) or the Transactions and Use Tax Law (Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251)), the exemption established by this section shall not apply with respect to any tax levied by a county, city, or district pursuant to, or in accordance with, either of those laws.

(e) (1) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the exemption provided by this section shall not apply to any sale or use of property which, within one year from the date of purchase, is removed from California, converted from an exempt use under subdivision (a) to some other use not qualifying for the exemption, or used in a manner not qualifying for the exemption.

(2) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the exemption established by this section shall not apply with respect to any tax levied pursuant to Sections 6051.2, 6051.5, 6201.2, or 6201.5, or pursuant to Section 35 of Article XIII of the California Constitution.

(f) If a purchaser certifies in writing to the seller that the property purchased without payment of the tax will be used in a manner entitling the seller to regard the gross receipts from the sale as exempt from the sales tax, and within one year from the date of purchase, the purchaser (1) removes that property outside California, (2) converts that property for use in a manner not qualifying for the exemption, or (3) uses that property in a manner not qualifying for the exemption, the purchaser shall be liable for payment of sales tax, with applicable interest, as if the purchaser were a retailer making a retail sale of the property at the time the property is so removed, converted, or used, and the sales price of the property to the purchaser shall be deemed the gross receipts from that retail sale.

(g) This section applies to leases of tangible personal property classified as "continuing sales" and "continuing purchases" in accordance with Sections 6006.1 and 6010.1. The exemption established by this section shall apply to the rentals payable pursuant to such a lease, provided the lessee is a qualified person and the property is used in an activity described in subdivision (a). Rentals that meet the foregoing requirements are eligible for the exemption for a period of six years from the date of commencement of the lease. At the close of the six-year period from the date of commencement of the lease, lease receipts are subject to tax without exemption.

SEC. 2. Section 17052.12 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

17052.12. For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1987, there shall be allowed as a credit against the "net tax" (as defined by Section 17039) for the taxable year an amount determined in accordance with Section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code, except as follows:

(a) For each taxable year beginning before January 1, 1997, the reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "8 percent."

(b) (1) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1997, and before January 1, 1999, the reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "11 percent."

(2) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1999, and before January 1, 2000, the reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "12 percent."

(3) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2000, and before January 1, 2010, the reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "15 percent."

(4) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2010, the reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code shall apply.

(c) Section 41(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to basic research payments, shall not apply.

(d) “Qualified research” shall include only research conducted in California.

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

(f) (1) With respect to any expense paid or incurred after the operative date of Section 6378, Section 41(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to exclude from the definition of “qualified research expense” any amount paid or incurred for tangible personal property that is eligible for the exemption from sales or use tax under Section 6378.

(2) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1998, the reference to “Section 501(a)” in Section 41(b)(3)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to contract research expenses, is modified to read “this part or Part 11 (commencing with Section 23001).”

(g) (1) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2000, and before January 1, 2010:

(A) The reference to “2.65 percent” in Section 41(c)(4)(A)(i) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read “one and forty-nine hundredths of one percent.”

(B) The reference to “3.2 percent” in Section 41(c)(4)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read “one and ninety-eight hundredths of one percent.”

(C) The reference to “3.75 percent” in Section 41(c)(4)(A)(iii) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read “two and forty-eight hundredths of one percent.”

(2) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2010, Section ~~41(c)(4)~~ *41(c)(4)(A)* of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to the election of the alternative incremental credit, shall apply.

(3) Section 41(c)(4)(B) shall not apply and in lieu thereof an election under Section 41(c)(4)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code may be made for any taxable year of the taxpayer beginning on or after January 1, 1998. That election shall apply to the taxable year for which made and all succeeding taxable years unless revoked with the consent of the Franchise Tax Board.

(4) Section 41(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to gross receipts, is modified to take into account only those gross receipts from the sale of property held primarily for sale to

customers in the ordinary course of the taxpayer's trade or business that is delivered or shipped to a purchaser within this state, regardless of f.o.b. point or any other condition of the sale.

(h) Section 41(h) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to termination, shall not apply.

(i) Section 41(g) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to special rule for passthrough of credit, is modified by each of the following:

(1) The last sentence shall not apply.

(2) If the amount determined under Section 41(a) of the Internal Revenue Code for any taxable year exceeds the limitation of Section 41(g) of the Internal Revenue Code, that amount may be carried over to other taxable years under the rules of subdivision (e); except that the limitation of Section 41(g) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be taken into account in each subsequent taxable year.

SEC. 3. Section 17053.76 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

17053.76. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2010, there shall be allowed a credit against the "net tax," as defined in Section 17039, an amount equal to the sum of the following percentages of wages paid or incurred by the taxpayer during the taxable year to each qualified employee of the taxpayer:

(1) Twenty-five percent for each qualified employee employed by the qualified taxpayer for at least 120 hours, but less than 400 hours, during the taxable year.

(2) Forty percent for each qualified employee employed by the qualified taxpayer for at least 400 hours during the taxable year.

(b) The credit under subdivision (a) shall be allowed only with respect to the first six thousand dollars ($6,000) of wages paid or incurred during the taxable year to each qualified employee.

(c) For purposes of this section, all of the following definitions shall apply:

(1) "Qualified employee" means an individual who is any of the following, as documented by the Employment Development Department:

(A) A recipient of CalWORKs benefits.

(B) A parolee.

(C) A veteran, as defined in Section 980 of the Military and Veterans Code.

(D) Eligible for receipt of unemployment insurance benefits or currently receiving unemployment insurance benefits.

(E) A person on probation.

(2) “Qualified taxpayer” means a taxpayer that is a person or entity engaged in a trade or business within California.

(d) For purposes of this section, the qualified taxpayer shall do both of the following:

(1) Obtain a certificate from the Employment Development Department certifying that a qualified employee is employed by the qualified taxpayer.

(2) Retain a copy of the certification and provide it upon request to the Franchise Tax Board.

(e) (1) For purposes of this section:

(A) All employees of trades or businesses, which are not incorporated, that are under common control shall be treated as employed by a single qualified taxpayer.

(B) The credit, if any, allowable by this section with respect to each trade or business shall be determined by reference to its proportionate share of the expense of the qualified wages giving rise to the credit, and shall be allocated in that manner.

(C) Principles that apply in the case of controlled groups of corporations, as specified in subdivision (e) of Section 23622.9, shall apply with respect to determining employment.

(2) If an employer acquires the major portion of a trade or business of another employer (hereafter in this paragraph referred to as the “predecessor”) or the major portion of a separate unit of a trade or business of a predecessor, then, for purposes of applying this section for any calendar year ending after that acquisition, the employment relationship between a qualified employee and an employer shall not be treated as terminated if the employee continues to be employed in that trade or business.

(f) No credit shall be allowed under this section for any wages for which any other credit or deduction has been claimed under this part.

(g) In the case where the credit otherwise allowed under this section exceeds the “net tax” for the taxable year, that portion of the credit that exceeds the “net tax” may be carried over and added to the credit, if any, in succeeding taxable years, until the credit is exhausted. The credit shall be applied first to the earliest taxable years possible.

SEC. 4. Section 17053.80 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, as added by Section 3 of Chapter 10 of the Third Extraordinary Session of the Statutes of 2009, is repealed.

~~SEC. 5. Section 17053.80 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, as added by Section 3 of Chapter 17 of the Third Extraordinary Session of the Statutes of 2009, is amended to read:~~

~~17053.80. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, there shall be allowed as a credit against the "net tax," as defined in Section 17039, three thousand dollars ($3,000) for each net increase in qualified full-time employees, as specified in subdivision (c), hired during the taxable year by a taxpayer.~~

~~(b) For purposes of this section:~~

~~(1) "Acquired" includes any gift, inheritance, transfer incident to divorce, or any other transfer, whether or not for consideration.~~

~~(2) "Qualified full-time employee" means:~~

~~(A) A qualified employee who was paid qualified wages by the taxpayer for services of not less than an average of 35 hours per week.~~

~~(B) A qualified employee who was a salaried employee and was paid compensation during the taxable year for full-time employment, within the meaning of Section 515 of the Labor Code, by the taxpayer.~~

~~(3) A "qualified employee" shall not include any of the following:~~

~~(A) An employee certified as a qualified employee in an enterprise zone designated in accordance with Chapter 12.8 (commencing with Section 7070) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code.~~

~~(B) An employee certified as a qualified disadvantaged individual in a manufacturing enhancement area designated in accordance with Section 7073.8 of the Government Code.~~

~~(C) An employee certified as a qualified employee in a targeted tax area designated in accordance with Section 7097 of the Government Code.~~

~~(D) An employee certified as a qualified disadvantaged individual or a qualified displaced employee in a local agency military base recovery area (LAMBRA) designated in accordance with Chapter 12.97 (commencing with Section 7105) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code.~~

~~(E) An employee whose wages are included in calculating any other credit allowed under this part.~~

~~(4) "Qualified wages" means wages subject to Division 6 (commencing with Section 13000) of the Unemployment Insurance Code.~~

~~(5) "Annual full-time equivalent" means either of the following:~~

~~(A) In the case of a full-time employee paid hourly qualified wages, "annual full-time equivalent" means the total number of hours worked for the taxpayer by the employee (not to exceed 2,000 hours per employee) divided by 2,000.~~

~~(B) In the case of a salaried full-time employee, "annual full-time equivalent" means the total number of weeks worked for the taxpayer by the employee divided by 52.~~

~~(c) The net increase in qualified full-time employees of a qualified employer shall be determined as provided by this subdivision:~~

~~(1) (A) The net increase in qualified full-time employees shall be determined on an annual full-time equivalent basis by subtracting from the amount determined in subparagraph (C) the amount determined in subparagraph (B).~~

~~(B) The total number of qualified full-time employees employed in the preceding taxable year by the taxpayer and by any trade or business acquired by the taxpayer during the preceding taxable year.~~

~~(C) The total number of full-time employees employed in the current taxable year by the taxpayer and by any trade or business acquired during the current taxable year.~~

~~(2) For taxpayers who first commence doing business in this state during the taxable year, the number of full-time employees for the immediately preceding prior taxable year shall be zero.~~

~~(d) 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 succeeding seven years if necessary, until the credit is exhausted.~~

~~(e) Any deduction otherwise allowed under this part for qualified wages shall not be reduced by the amount of the credit allowed under this section.~~

~~(f) For purposes of this section:~~

~~(1) All employees of the trades or businesses that are treated as related under either Section 267, 318, or 707 of the Internal Revenue Code shall be treated as employed by a single taxpayer.~~

~~(2) In determining whether the taxpayer has first commenced doing business in this state during the taxable year, the provisions of subdivision (f) of Section 17276, without application of paragraph (7) of that subdivision, shall apply.~~

~~(g) (1) The Franchise Tax Board may prescribe rules, guidelines or procedures necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this section, including any guidelines necessary to avoid the application of paragraph (2) of subdivision (f) through splitups, shell corporations, partnerships, tiered ownership structures, or otherwise.~~

~~(2) Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code does not apply to any standard, criterion, procedure, determination, rule, notice, or guideline established or issued by the Franchise Tax Board pursuant to this section.~~

~~(h) No credit shall be allowed under this section for any wages for which any other credit or deduction has been claimed under this part.~~

~~(i) The amendments made to this section by the act adding this subdivision shall apply only to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2010.~~

SEC. 5. Section 17053.80 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, as added by Section 3 of Chapter 17 of the Third Extraordinary Session of the Statutes of 2009, is amended to read:

17053.80. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, there shall be allowed as a credit against the "net tax," as defined in Section 17039, three thousand dollars ($3,000) for each net increase in qualified full-time employees, as specified in subdivision (c), hired during the taxable year by a ~~qualified employer~~ *taxpayer*.

(b) For purposes of this section:

(1) "Acquired" includes any gift, inheritance, transfer incident to divorce, or any other transfer, whether or not for consideration.

(2) "Qualified full-time employee" means:

(A) A qualified employee who was paid qualified wages by the ~~qualified employer~~ *taxpayer* for services of not less than an average of 35 hours per week.

(B) A qualified employee who was a salaried employee and was paid compensation during the taxable year for full-time employment, within the meaning of Section 515 of the Labor Code, by the ~~qualified employer~~ *taxpayer*.

(3) A "qualified employee" shall not include any of the following:

(A) An employee certified as a qualified employee in an enterprise zone designated in accordance with Chapter 12.8 (commencing with Section 7070) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code.

(B) An employee certified as a qualified disadvantaged individual in a manufacturing enhancement area designated in accordance with Section 7073.8 of the Government Code.

(C) An employee certified as a qualified employee in a targeted tax area designated in accordance with Section 7097 of the Government Code.

(D) An employee certified as a qualified disadvantaged individual or a qualified displaced employee in a local agency military base recovery area (LAMBRA) designated in accordance with Chapter 12.97 (commencing with Section 7105) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code.

(E) An employee whose wages are included in calculating any other credit allowed under this part.

~~(4) "Qualified employer" means a taxpayer that, as of the last day of the preceding taxable year, employed a total of 20 or fewer employees.~~

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(4) "Qualified wages" means wages subject to Division 6 (commencing with Section 13000) of the Unemployment Insurance Code.

~~(6)~~

(5) "Annual full-time equivalent" means either of the following:

(A) In the case of a full-time employee paid hourly qualified wages, "annual full-time equivalent" means the total number of hours worked for the taxpayer by the employee (not to exceed 2,000 hours per employee) divided by 2,000.

(B) In the case of a salaried full-time employee, "annual full-time equivalent" means the total number of weeks worked for the taxpayer by the employee divided by 52.

(c) The net increase in qualified full-time employees of a ~~qualified employer~~ *taxpayer* shall be determined as provided by this subdivision:

(1) (A) The net increase in qualified full-time employees shall be determined on an annual full-time equivalent basis by subtracting from the amount determined in subparagraph (C) the amount determined in subparagraph (B).

(B) The total number of qualified full-time employees employed in the preceding taxable year by the taxpayer and by any trade or business acquired by the taxpayer during the ~~current~~ *preceding* taxable year.

(C) The total number of full-time employees employed in the current taxable year by the taxpayer and by any trade or business acquired during the current taxable year.

(2) For taxpayers who first commence doing business in this state during the taxable year, the number of full-time employees for the immediately preceding prior taxable year shall be zero.

(d) 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 succeeding seven years if necessary, until the credit is exhausted.

(e) Any deduction otherwise allowed under this part for qualified wages shall not be reduced by the amount of the credit allowed under this section.

(f) For purposes of this section:

(1) All employees of the trades or businesses that are treated as related under either Section 267, 318, or 707 of the Internal Revenue Code shall be treated as employed by a single taxpayer.

(2) In determining whether the taxpayer has first commenced doing business in this state during the taxable year, the provisions of subdivision (f) of Section 17276, without application of paragraph (7) of that subdivision, shall apply.

~~(g) (1) (A) Credit under this section and Section 23623 shall be allowed only for credits claimed on timely filed original returns received by the Franchise Tax Board on or before the cut-off date established by the Franchise Tax Board.~~

~~(B) For purposes of this paragraph, the cut-off date shall be the last day of the calendar quarter within which the Franchise Tax Board estimates it will have received timely filed original returns claiming credits under this section and Section 23623 that~~

~~cumulatively total four hundred million dollars ($400,000,000) for all taxable years.~~

~~(2) The date a return is received shall be determined by the Franchise Tax Board.~~

~~(3) (A) The determinations of the Franchise Tax Board with respect to the cut-off date, the date a return is received, and whether a return has been timely filed for purposes of this subdivision may not be reviewed in any administrative or judicial proceeding~~

~~(B) Any disallowance of a credit claimed due to a determination under this subdivision, including the application of the limitation specified in paragraph (1), shall be treated as a mathematical error appearing on the return. Any amount of tax resulting from such disallowance may be assessed by the Franchise Tax Board in the same manner as provided by Section 19051.~~

~~(4) The Franchise Tax Board shall periodically provide notice on its Web site with respect to the amount of credit under this section and Section 23623 claimed on timely filed original returns received by the Franchise Tax Board.~~

~~(h)~~

(g) (1) The Franchise Tax Board may prescribe rules, guidelines or procedures necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this section, including any ~~guidelines regarding the limitation on total credits allowable under this section and Section 23623 and~~ guidelines necessary to avoid the application of paragraph (2) of subdivision (f) through split-ups, shell corporations, partnerships, tiered ownership structures, or otherwise.

(2) Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code does not apply to any standard, criterion, procedure, determination, rule, notice, or guideline established or issued by the Franchise Tax Board pursuant to this section.

~~(i) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1 of the calendar year after the year of the cut-off date, and as of that December 1 is repealed.~~

(h) No credit shall be allowed under this section for any wages for which any other credit or deduction has been claimed under this part.

(i) The amendments made to this section by the act adding this subdivision shall apply only to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2010.

SEC. 6. Section 17250 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

17250. (a) Section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code is modified as follows:

(1) Any reference to "tax imposed by this chapter" in Section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code means "net tax," as defined in Section 17039.

(2) (A) Section 168(e)(3) is modified to provide that any grapevine, replaced in a vineyard in California in any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1992, as a direct result of a phylloxera infestation in that vineyard, or replaced in a vineyard in California in any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1997, as a direct result of Pierce's disease in that vineyard, shall be "five-year property," rather than "10-year property."

(B) Section 168(g)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to provide that any grapevine, replaced in a vineyard in California in any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1992, as a direct result of a phylloxera infestation in that vineyard, or replaced in a vineyard in California in any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1997, as a direct result of Pierce's disease in that vineyard, shall have a class life of 10 years.

(C) Every taxpayer claiming a depreciation deduction with respect to grapevines as described in this paragraph shall obtain a written certification from an independent state-certified integrated pest management adviser, or a state agricultural commissioner or adviser, that specifies that the replanting was necessary to restore a vineyard infested with phylloxera or Pierce's disease. The taxpayer shall retain the certification for future audit purposes.

(3) Section 168(j) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to property on Indian reservations, shall not apply.

(4) Section 168(k) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to special allowance for certain property acquired after September 10, 2001, and before January 1, 2005, shall not apply.

(5) Sections 168(b)(3)(G) and 168(b)(3)(H) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to property to which the straight line method applies, shall not apply.

(6) Sections 168(e)(3)(E)(iv) and 168(e)(3)(E)(v) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to 15-year property, shall not apply.

(7) Sections 168(e)(6) and 168(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to qualified leasehold improvement property and to qualified restaurant property, respectively, shall not apply.

(b) Section 169 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to amortization of pollution control facilities, is modified as follows:

(1) The deduction allowed by Section 169 of the Internal Revenue Code shall be allowed only with respect to facilities located in this state.

(2) The "state certifying authority," as defined in Section 169(d)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, means the State Air Resources Board, in the case of air pollution, and the State Water Resources Control Board, in the case of water pollution.

(c) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for property placed in service on and after January 1, 2010, the applicable recovery period shall be one-half of the applicable recovery period set forth in the Internal Revenue Code provision 167 or 168 or one-half of the recovery period described in this code.

(d) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, for property placed in service before January 1, 2010, the remaining applicable recovery period shall be one-half of the applicable recovery period set forth in the Internal Revenue Code provision 167 or 168 or one-half of the recovery period described in this code.

SEC. 7. Section 17276 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

17276. Except as provided in Sections 17276.1, 17276.2, 17276.4, 17276.5, 17276.6, and 17276.7, the deduction provided by Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to a net operating loss deduction, shall be modified as follows:

(a) (1) Net operating losses attributable to taxable years beginning before January 1, 1987, shall not be allowed.

(2) A net operating loss shall not be carried forward to any taxable year beginning before January 1, 1987.

(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), the provisions of Section 172(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to the amount of carryovers, shall be modified so that the applicable percentage of the entire amount of the net operating loss for any taxable year shall be eligible for carryover to any subsequent taxable year. For purposes of this subdivision, the applicable percentage shall be:

(A) Fifty percent for any taxable year beginning before January 1, 2000.

(B) Fifty-five percent for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2000, and before January 1, 2002.

(C) Sixty percent for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2002, and before January 1, 2004.

(D) One hundred percent for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2004.

(2) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates a new business during that taxable year, each of the following shall apply to each loss incurred during the first three taxable years of operating the new business:

(A) If the net operating loss is equal to or less than the net loss from the new business, 100 percent of the net operating loss shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (d).

(B) If the net operating loss is greater than the net loss from the new business, the net operating loss shall be carried over as follows:

(i) With respect to an amount equal to the net loss from the new business, 100 percent of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (d).

(ii) With respect to the portion of the net operating loss that exceeds the net loss from the new business, the applicable percentage of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (d).

(C) For purposes of Section 172(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, the amount described in clause (ii) of subparagraph (B) shall be absorbed before the amount described in clause (i) of subparagraph (B).

(3) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates an eligible small business during that taxable year, each of the following shall apply:

(A) If the net operating loss is equal to or less than the net loss from the eligible small business, 100 percent of the net operating loss shall be carried forward to the taxable years specified in subdivision (d).

(B) If the net operating loss is greater than the net loss from the eligible small business, the net operating loss shall be carried over as follows:

(i) With respect to an amount equal to the net loss from the eligible small business, 100 percent of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (d).

(ii) With respect to that portion of the net operating loss that exceeds the net loss from the eligible small business, the applicable percentage of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (d).

(C) For purposes of Section 172(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, the amount described in clause (ii) of subparagraph (B) shall be absorbed before the amount described in clause (i) of subparagraph (B).

(4) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates a business that qualifies as both a new business and an eligible small business under this section, that business shall be treated as a new business for the first three taxable years of the new business.

(5) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates more than one business, and more than one of those businesses qualifies as either a new business or an eligible small business under this section, paragraph (2) shall be applied first, except that if there is any remaining portion of the net operating loss after application of clause (i) of subparagraph (B) of that paragraph, paragraph (3) shall be applied to the remaining portion of the net operating loss as though that remaining portion of the net operating loss constituted the entire net operating loss.

(6) For purposes of this section, the term "net loss" means the amount of net loss after application of Sections 465 and 469 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(c) Section 172(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to net operating loss carrybacks and carryovers and the years to which the loss may be carried, is modified as follows:

(1) Net operating loss carrybacks shall not be allowed for any net operating losses attributable to taxable years beginning before January 1, 2011.

(2) (A) A net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011, shall be a net operating loss carryback to each of the two taxable years preceding the taxable year of the loss in lieu of the number of years provided therein.

(B) For a net operating loss attributable to a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2011, and before January 1, 2012, the amount of carryback to any taxable year shall not exceed 50 percent of the net operating loss.

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(C) For a net operating loss attributable to a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, ~~2011~~ *2012*, the amount of carryback to any taxable year shall not exceed 100 percent of the net operating loss.

(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (2), Section 172(b)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to special rules for REITs, and Sections 172(b)(1)(E) and 172(h) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to corporate equity reduction interest loss, shall apply as provided.

(4) A net operating loss carryback shall not be carried back to any taxable year beginning before January 1, 2009.

(d) (1) (A) For a net operating loss for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1987, and before January 1, 2000, Section 172(b)(1)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to years to which net operating losses may be carried, is modified to substitute “five taxable years” in lieu of “20 taxable years” except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (2) and (3).

(B) For a net operating loss for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2000, and before January 1, 2008, Section 172(b)(1)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to years to which net operating losses may be carried, is modified to substitute “10 taxable years” in lieu of “20 taxable years.”

(2) For any taxable year beginning before January 1, 2000, in the case of a “new business,” the “five taxable years” in paragraph (1) shall be modified to read as follows:

(A) “Eight taxable years” for a net operating loss attributable to the first taxable year of that new business.

(B) “Seven taxable years” for a net operating loss attributable to the second taxable year of that new business.

(C) “Six taxable years” for a net operating loss attributable to the third taxable year of that new business.

(3) For any carryover of a net operating loss for which a deduction is denied by Section 17276.3, the carryover period specified in this subdivision shall be extended as follows:

(A) By one year for a net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning in 1991.

(B) By two years for a net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning prior to January 1, 1991.

(4) The net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1987, and before January 1, 1994, shall be a net operating loss carryover to each of the 10 taxable years following the year of the loss if it is incurred by a taxpayer that is under the jurisdiction of the court in a Title 11 or similar case at any time during the income year. The loss carryover provided in the preceding sentence shall not apply to any loss incurred after the date the taxpayer is no longer under the jurisdiction of the court in a Title 11 or similar case.

(e) For purposes of this section:

(1) "Eligible small business" means any trade or business that has gross receipts, less returns and allowances, of less than one million dollars ($1,000,000) during the taxable year.

(2) Except as provided in subdivision (f), "new business" means any trade or business activity that is first commenced in this state on or after January 1, 1994.

(3) "Title 11 or similar case" shall have the same meaning as in Section 368(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(4) In the case of any trade or business activity conducted by a partnership or "S" corporation, paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be applied to the partnership or "S" corporation.

(f) For purposes of this section, in determining whether a trade or business activity qualifies as a new business under paragraph (2) of subdivision (e), the following rules shall apply:

(1) In any case where a taxpayer purchases or otherwise acquires all or any portion of the assets of an existing trade or business (irrespective of the form of entity) that is doing business in this state (within the meaning of Section 23101), the trade or business thereafter conducted by the taxpayer (or any related person) shall not be treated as a new business if the aggregate fair market value of the acquired assets (including real, personal, tangible, and intangible property) used by the taxpayer (or any related person) in the conduct of its trade or business exceeds 20 percent of the

aggregate fair market value of the total assets of the trade or business being conducted by the taxpayer (or any related person). For purposes of this paragraph only, the following rules shall apply:

(A) The determination of the relative fair market values of the acquired assets and the total assets shall be made as of the last day of the first taxable year in which the taxpayer (or any related person) first uses any of the acquired trade or business assets in its business activity.

(B) Any acquired assets that constituted property described in Section 1221(1) of the Internal Revenue Code in the hands of the transferor shall not be treated as assets acquired from an existing trade or business, unless those assets also constitute property described in Section 1221(1) of the Internal Revenue Code in the hands of the acquiring taxpayer (or related person).

(2) In any case where a taxpayer (or any related person) is engaged in one or more trade or business activities in this state, or has been engaged in one or more trade or business activities in this state within the preceding 36 months ("prior trade or business activity"), and thereafter commences an additional trade or business activity in this state, the additional trade or business activity shall only be treated as a new business if the additional trade or business activity is classified under a different division of the ~~Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual~~ *North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)* published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, ~~1987~~ *2007* edition, than are any of the taxpayer's (or any related person's) current or prior trade or business activities.

(3) In any case where a taxpayer, including all related persons, is engaged in trade or business activities wholly outside of this state and the taxpayer first commences doing business in this state (within the meaning of Section 23101) after December 31, 1993 (other than by purchase or other acquisition described in paragraph (1)), the trade or business activity shall be treated as a new business under paragraph (2) of subdivision (e).

(4) In any case where the legal form under which a trade or business activity is being conducted is changed, the change in form shall be disregarded and the determination of whether the trade or business activity is a new business shall be made by treating the taxpayer as having purchased or otherwise acquired all or any

portion of the assets of an existing trade or business under the rules of paragraph (1) of this subdivision.

(5) "Related person" shall mean any person that is related to the taxpayer under either Section 267 or 318 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(6) "Acquire" shall include any gift, inheritance, transfer incident to divorce, or any other transfer, whether or not for consideration.

(7) (A) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1997, the term "new business" shall include any taxpayer that is engaged in biopharmaceutical activities or other biotechnology activities that are described in Codes ~~2833 to 2836, inclusive, of the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual~~ *325411 to 325414, inclusive, of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)* published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, ~~1987~~ *2007* edition, and as further amended, and that has not received regulatory approval for any product from the United States Food and Drug Administration.

(B) For purposes of this paragraph:

(i) "Biopharmaceutical activities" means those activities that use organisms or materials derived from organisms, and their cellular, subcellular, or molecular components, in order to provide pharmaceutical products for human or animal therapeutics and diagnostics. Biopharmaceutical activities make use of living organisms to make commercial products, as opposed to pharmaceutical activities that make use of chemical compounds to produce commercial products.

(ii) "Other biotechnology activities" means activities consisting of the application of recombinant DNA technology to produce commercial products, as well as activities regarding pharmaceutical delivery systems designed to provide a measure of control over the rate, duration, and site of pharmaceutical delivery.

(g) In computing the modifications under Section 172(d)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to capital gains and losses of taxpayers other than corporations, the exclusion provided by Section 18152.5 shall not be allowed.

(h) Notwithstanding any provisions of this section to the contrary, a deduction shall be allowed to a "qualified taxpayer" as provided in Sections 17276.1, 17276.2, 17276.4, 17276.5, 17276.6, and 17276.7.

(i) The Franchise Tax Board may prescribe appropriate regulations to carry out the purposes of this section, including any regulations necessary to prevent the avoidance of the purposes of this section through splitups, shell corporations, partnerships, tiered ownership structures, or otherwise.

(j) The Franchise Tax Board may reclassify any net operating loss carryover determined under either paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (b) as a net operating loss carryover under paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) upon a showing that the reclassification is necessary to prevent evasion of the purposes of this section.

(k) Except as otherwise provided, the amendments made by Chapter 107 of the Statutes of 2000 shall apply to net operating losses for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000.

SEC. 8. Section 17276.10 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

17276.10. Notwithstanding Section 17276.1, 17276.2, 17276.4, 17276.5, 17276.6, or 17276.7 to the contrary, a net operating loss attributable to a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2008, shall be a net operating carryover to each of the 20 taxable years following the year of the loss, and a net operating loss attributable to a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2015, shall also be a net operating loss carryback to each of the five taxable years preceding the taxable year of loss.

SEC. 9. Section 18154 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

18154. Notwithstanding any other law, gross income shall not include any gain from the sale or exchange of any capital asset. For purposes of this section, “capital asset” means a capital asset as defined by Section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code.

~~SEC. 9.~~

SEC. 10. Section 23609 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

23609. For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1987, there shall be allowed as a credit against the “tax” (as defined by Section 23036) an amount determined in accordance with Section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code, except as follows:

(a) For each taxable year beginning before January 1, 1997, both of the following modifications shall apply:

(1) The reference to “20 percent” in Section 41(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read “8 percent.”

(2) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "12 percent."

(b) (1) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1997, and before January 1, 1999, both of the following modifications shall apply:

(A) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "11 percent."

(B) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "24 percent."

(2) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1999, and before January 1, 2000, both of the following shall apply:

(A) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "12 percent."

(B) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "24 percent."

(3) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2000, and before January 1, 2010, both of the following shall apply:

(A) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "15 percent."

(B) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "24 percent."

(4) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2010, both of the following shall apply:

(A) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code shall apply.

(B) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "24 percent."

(c) (1) With respect to any expense paid or incurred after the operative date of Section 6378, Section 41(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to exclude from the definition of "qualified research expense" any amount paid or incurred for tangible personal property that is eligible for the exemption from sales or use tax under Section 6378.

(2) "Qualified research" and "basic research" shall include only research conducted in California.

(d) The provisions of Section 41(e)(7)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall be modified so that "basic research," for purposes of this section, includes any basic or applied research including scientific inquiry or original investigation for the advancement of scientific or engineering knowledge or the improved effectiveness of commercial products, except that the term does not include any of the following:

(1) Basic research conducted outside California.

(2) Basic research in the social sciences, arts, or humanities.

(3) Basic research for the purpose of improving a commercial product if the improvements relate to style, taste, cosmetic, or seasonal design factors.

(4) Any expenditure paid or incurred for the purpose of ascertaining the existence, location, extent, or quality of any deposit of ore or other mineral (including oil and gas).

(e) (1) In the case of a taxpayer engaged in any biopharmaceutical research activities that are described in ~~Codes 2833 to 2836, inclusive, or any research activities that are described in Codes 3826, 3829, or 3841 to 3845, inclusive, of the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual~~ *Codes 325411 to 325414, inclusive, or any research activities described in Codes 322291, 332994, 334510, 334514, 334516, to 334519, inclusive, 339111 to 339114, inclusive, or 339999, of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)* published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, ~~1987~~ *2007* edition, or any other biotechnology research and development activities, the provisions of Section 41(e)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be modified to include both of the following:

(A) A qualified organization as described in Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii) of the Internal Revenue Code and owned by an institution of higher education as described in Section 3304(f) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(B) A charitable research hospital owned by an organization that is described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, is exempt from taxation under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, is not a private foundation, is designated a “specialized laboratory cancer center,” and has received Clinical Cancer Research Center status from the National Cancer Institute.

(2) For purposes of this subdivision:

(A) “Biopharmaceutical research activities” means those activities that use organisms or materials derived from organisms, and their cellular, subcellular, or molecular components, in order to provide pharmaceutical products for human or animal therapeutics and diagnostics. Biopharmaceutical activities make use of living organisms to make commercial products, as opposed to pharmaceutical activities that make use of chemical compounds to produce commercial products.

(B) "Other biotechnology research and development activities" means research and development activities consisting of the application of recombinant DNA technology to produce commercial products, as well as research and development activities regarding pharmaceutical delivery systems designed to provide a measure of control over the rate, duration, and site of pharmaceutical delivery.

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

(g) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1998, the reference to "Section 501(a)" in Section 41(b)(3)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to contract research expenses, is modified to read "this part or Part 10 (commencing with Section 17001)."

(h) (1) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2000, and before January 1, 2010:

(A) The reference to "2.65 percent" in Section 41(c)(4)(A)(i) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "one and forty-nine hundredths of one percent."

(B) The reference to "3.2 percent" in Section 41(c)(4)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "one and ninety-eight hundredths of one percent."

(C) The reference to "3.75 percent" in Section 41(c)(4)(A)(iii) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "two and forty-eight hundredths of one percent."

(2) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2010, Section ~~41(c)(4)~~ *41(c)(4)(A)* of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to the election of the alternative incremental credit, shall apply.

(3) Section 41(c)(4)(B) shall not apply and in lieu thereof an election under Section 41(c)(4)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code may be made for any taxable year of the taxpayer beginning on or after January 1, 1998. That election shall apply to the taxable year for which made and all succeeding taxable years unless revoked with the consent of the Franchise Tax Board.

(4) Section 41(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to gross receipts, is modified to take into account only those gross

receipts from the sale of property held primarily for sale to customers in the ordinary course of the taxpayer's trade or business that is delivered or shipped to a purchaser within this state, regardless of f.o.b. point or any other condition of the sale.

(i) Section 41(h) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to termination, shall not apply.

(j) Section 41(g) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to special rule for passthrough of credit, is modified by each of the following:

(1) The last sentence shall not apply.

(2) If the amount determined under Section 41(a) of the Internal Revenue Code for any taxable year exceeds the limitation of Section 41(g) of the Internal Revenue Code, that amount may be carried over to other taxable years under the rules of subdivision (f), except that the limitation of Section 41(g) of the Internal Revenue Code shall be taken into account in each subsequent taxable year.

~~SEC. 10.~~

SEC. 11. Section 23622.9 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

23622.9. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2010, there shall be allowed a credit against the "tax," as defined in Section 23036, an amount equal to the sum of the following percentages of wages paid or incurred by the taxpayer during the taxable year to each qualified employee of the taxpayer.

(1) Twenty-five percent for each qualified employee employed by the qualified taxpayer for at least 120 hours, but not less than 400 hours, during the taxable year.

(2) Forty percent for each qualified employee employed by the qualified taxpayer for at least 400 hours during the taxable year.

(b) The credit under subdivision (a) shall be allowed only with respect to the first six thousand dollars ($6,000) of wages paid or incurred during the taxable year to each qualified employee.

(c) For purposes of this section, all of the following definitions shall apply:

(1) "Qualified employee" means an individual who is any of the following, as documented by the Employment Development Department:

(A) A recipient of CalWORKs benefits.

(B) A parolee.

(C) A veteran, as defined in Section 980 of the Military and Veterans Code.

(D) Eligible for receipt of unemployment insurance benefits or currently receiving unemployment insurance benefits.

(E) A person on probation.

(2) "Qualified taxpayer" means a taxpayer that is a person or entity engaged in a trade or business within California.

(d) For purposes of this section the qualified taxpayer shall do both of the following:

(1) Obtain a certificate from the Employment Development Department certifying that a qualified employee is employed by the qualified taxpayer.

(2) Retain a copy of the certification and provide it upon request to the Franchise Tax Board.

(e) (1) For purposes of this section:

(A) All employees of trades or businesses, which are not incorporated, that are under common control shall be treated as employed by a single qualified taxpayer.

(B) The credit, if any, allowable by this section with respect to each trade or business shall be determined by reference to its proportionate share of the expense of the qualified wages giving rise to the credit, and shall be allocated in that manner.

(C) Principles that apply in the case of controlled groups of corporations, as specified in subdivision (e), shall apply with respect to determining employment.

(2) If an employer acquires the major portion of a trade or business of another employer (hereafter in this paragraph referred to as the "predecessor") or the major portion of a separate unit of a trade or business of a predecessor, then, for purposes of applying this section for any calendar year ending after that acquisition, the employment relationship between a qualified employee and an employer shall not be treated as terminated if the employee continues to be employed in that trade or business.

(f) No credit shall be allowed under this section for any wages for which any other credit or deduction has been claimed under this part.

(g) In the case where the credit otherwise allowed under this section exceeds the "tax" for the taxable year, that portion of the credit that exceeds the "tax" may be carried over and added to the credit, if any, in succeeding taxable years, until the credit is exhausted. The credit shall be applied first to the earliest taxable years possible.

~~SEC. 11.~~

SEC. 12. Section 23623 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, as added by Section 8 of Chapter 10 of the Third Extraordinary Session of the Statutes of 2009, is repealed.

~~SEC. 12. Section 23623 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, as added by Section 8 of Chapter 17 of the Third Extraordinary Session of the Statutes of 2009, is amended to read:~~

~~23623. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, there shall be allowed as a credit against the "tax," as defined in Section 23036, three thousand dollars ($3,000) for each net increase in qualified full-time employees, as specified in subdivision (c), hired during the taxable year by a taxpayer.~~

~~(b) For purposes of this section:~~

~~(1) "Acquired" includes any gift, inheritance, transfer incident to divorce, or any other transfer, whether or not for consideration.~~

~~(2) "Qualified full-time employee" means:~~

~~(A) A qualified employee who was paid qualified wages during the taxable year by the taxpayer for services of not less than an average of 35 hours per week.~~

~~(B) A qualified employee who was a salaried employee and was paid compensation during the taxable year for full-time employment, within the meaning of Section 515 of the Labor Code, by the taxpayer.~~

~~(3) A "qualified employee" shall not include any of the following:~~

~~(A) An employee certified as a qualified employee in an enterprise zone designated in accordance with Chapter 12.8 (commencing with Section 7070) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code.~~

~~(B) An employee certified as a qualified disadvantaged individual in a manufacturing enhancement area designated in accordance with Section 7073.8 of the Government Code.~~

~~(C) An employee certified as a qualified employee in a targeted tax area designated in accordance with Section 7097 of the Government Code.~~

~~(D) An employee certified as a qualified disadvantaged individual or a qualified displaced employee in a local agency military base recovery area (LAMBRA) designated in accordance~~

~~with Chapter 12.97 (commencing with Section 7105) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code.~~

~~(E) An employee whose wages are included in calculating any other credit allowed under this part.~~

~~(4) "Qualified wages" means wages subject to Division 6 (commencing with Section 13000) of the Unemployment Insurance Code.~~

~~(5) "Annual full-time equivalent" means either of the following:~~

~~(A) In the case of a full-time employee paid hourly qualified wages, "annual full-time equivalent" means the total number of hours worked for the taxpayer by the employee (not to exceed 2,000 hours per employee) divided by 2,000.~~

~~(B) In the case of a salaried full-time employee, "annual full-time equivalent" means the total number of weeks worked for the taxpayer by the employee divided by 52.~~

~~(c) The net increase in qualified full-time employees of a qualified employer shall be determined as provided by this subdivision:~~

~~(1) (A) The net increase in qualified full-time employees shall be determined on an annual full-time equivalent basis by subtracting from the amount determined in subparagraph (C) the amount determined in subparagraph (B).~~

~~(B) The total number of qualified full-time employees employed in the preceding taxable year by the taxpayer and by any trade or business acquired by the taxpayer during the preceding taxable year.~~

~~(C) The total number of full-time employees employed in the current taxable year by the taxpayer and by any trade or business acquired during the current taxable year.~~

~~(2) For taxpayers who first commence doing business in this state during the taxable year, the number of full-time employees for the immediately preceding prior taxable year shall be zero.~~

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

~~(e) Any deduction otherwise allowed under this part for qualified wages shall not be reduced by the amount of the credit allowed under this section.~~

~~(f) For purposes of this section:~~

~~(1) All employees of the trades or businesses that are treated as related under either Section 267, 318, or 707 of the Internal Revenue Code shall be treated as employed by a single taxpayer.~~

~~(2) In determining whether the taxpayer has first commenced doing business in this state during the taxable year, the provisions of subdivision (f) of Section 17276, without application of paragraph (7) of that subdivision, shall apply.~~

~~(g) (1) The Franchise Tax Board may prescribe rules, guidelines or procedures necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this section, including any guidelines necessary to avoid the application of paragraph (2) of subdivision (f) through splitups, shell corporations, partnerships, tiered ownership structures, or otherwise.~~

~~(2) Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code does not apply to any standard, criterion, procedure, determination, rule, notice, or guideline established or issued by the Franchise Tax Board pursuant to this section.~~

~~(h) No credit shall be allowed under this section for any wages for which any other credit or deduction has been claimed under this part.~~

~~(i) The amendments made to this section by the act adding this subdivision shall apply only to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2010.~~

SEC. 13. Section 23623 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, as added by Section 8 of Chapter 17 of the Third Extraordinary Session of the Statutes of 2009, is amended to read:

23623. (a) For each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2009, there shall be allowed as a credit against the "tax," as defined in Section 23036, three thousand dollars ($3,000) for each net increase in qualified full-time employees, as specified in subdivision (c), hired during the taxable year by a ~~qualified employer~~ *taxpayer*.

(b) For purposes of this section:

(1) "Acquired" includes any gift, inheritance, transfer incident to divorce, or any other transfer, whether or not for consideration.

(2) "Qualified full-time employee" means:

(A) A qualified employee who was paid qualified wages during the taxable year by the ~~qualified employer~~ *taxpayer* for services of not less than an average of 35 hours per week.

(B) A qualified employee who was a salaried employee and was paid compensation during the taxable year for full-time employment, within the meaning of Section 515 of the Labor Code, by the ~~qualified employer~~ *taxpayer*.

(3) A "qualified employee" shall not include any of the following:

(A) An employee certified as a qualified employee in an enterprise zone designated in accordance with Chapter 12.8 (commencing with Section 7070) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code.

(B) An employee certified as a qualified disadvantaged individual in a manufacturing enhancement area designated in accordance with Section 7073.8 of the Government Code.

(C) An employee certified as a qualified employee in a targeted tax area designated in accordance with Section 7097 of the Government Code.

(D) An employee certified as a qualified disadvantaged individual or a qualified displaced employee in a local agency military base recovery area (LAMBRA) designated in accordance with Chapter 12.97 (commencing with Section 7105) of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code.

(E) An employee whose wages are included in calculating any other credit allowed under this part.

~~(4) "Qualified employer" means a taxpayer that, as of the last day of the preceding taxable year, employed a total of 20 or fewer employees.~~

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(4) "Qualified wages" means wages subject to Division 6 (commencing with Section 13000) of the Unemployment Insurance Code.

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(5) "Annual full-time equivalent" means either of the following:

(A) In the case of a full-time employee paid hourly qualified wages, "annual full-time equivalent" means the total number of hours worked for the taxpayer by the employee (not to exceed 2,000 hours per employee) divided by 2,000.

(B) In the case of a salaried full-time employee, "annual full-time equivalent" means the total number of weeks worked for the taxpayer by the employee divided by 52.

(c) The net increase in qualified full-time employees of a ~~qualified employer~~ *taxpayer* shall be determined as provided by this subdivision:

(1) (A) The net increase in qualified full-time employees shall be determined on an annual full-time equivalent basis by subtracting from the amount determined in subparagraph (C) the amount determined in subparagraph (B).

(B) The total number of qualified full-time employees employed in the preceding taxable year by the taxpayer and by any trade or business acquired by the taxpayer during the ~~current~~ *preceding* taxable year.

(C) The total number of full-time employees employed in the current taxable year by the taxpayer and by any trade or business acquired during the current taxable year.

(2) For taxpayers who first commence doing business in this state during the taxable year, the number of full-time employees for the immediately preceding prior taxable year shall be zero.

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

(e) Any deduction otherwise allowed under this part for qualified wages shall not be reduced by the amount of the credit allowed under this section.

(f) For purposes of this section:

(1) All employees of the trades or businesses that are treated as related under either Section 267, 318, or 707 of the Internal Revenue Code shall be treated as employed by a single taxpayer.

(2) In determining whether the taxpayer has first commenced doing business in this state during the taxable year, the provisions of subdivision (f) of Section 17276, without application of paragraph (7) of that subdivision, shall apply.

~~(g) (1) (A) Credit under this section and Section 17053.80 shall be allowed only for credits claimed on timely filed original returns received by the Franchise Tax Board on or before the cut-off date established by the Franchise Tax Board.~~

~~(B) For purposes of this paragraph, the cut-off date shall be the last day of the calendar quarter within which the Franchise Tax Board estimates it will have received timely filed original returns claiming credits under this section and Section 17053.80 that~~

~~cumulatively total four hundred million dollars ($400,000,000) for all taxable years.~~

~~(2) The date a return is received shall be determined by the Franchise Tax Board.~~

~~(3) (A) The determinations of the Franchise Tax Board with respect to the cut-off date, the date a return is received, and whether a return has been timely filed for purposes of this subdivision may not be reviewed in any administrative or judicial proceeding.~~

~~(B) Any disallowance of a credit claimed due to a determination under this subdivision, including the application of the limitation specified in paragraph (1), shall be treated as a mathematical error appearing on the return. Any amount of tax resulting from such disallowance may be assessed by the Franchise Tax Board in the same manner as provided by Section 19051.~~

~~(4) The Franchise Tax Board shall periodically provide notice on its Web site with respect to the amount of credit under this section and Section 17053.80 claimed on timely filed original returns received by the Franchise Tax Board.~~

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(g) (1) The Franchise Tax Board may prescribe rules, guidelines or procedures necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this section, including any ~~guidelines regarding the limitation on total credits allowable under this section and Section 17053.80 and~~ guidelines necessary to avoid the application of paragraph (2) of subdivision (f) through split-ups, shell corporations, partnerships, tiered ownership structures, or otherwise.

(2) Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code does not apply to any standard, criterion, procedure, determination, rule, notice, or guideline established or issued by the Franchise Tax Board pursuant to this section.

~~(i) This section shall remain in effect only until December 1 of the calendar year after the year of the cut-off date, and as of that December 1 is repealed.~~

(h) No credit shall be allowed under this section for any wages for which any other credit or deduction has been claimed under this part.

(i) The amendments made to this section by the act adding this subdivision shall apply only to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2010.

~~SEC. 13.~~

SEC. 14. Section 24349 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

24349. (a) There shall be allowed as a depreciation deduction a reasonable allowance for the exhaustion, wear and tear (including a reasonable allowance for obsolescence)—

(1) Of property used in the trade or business; or

(2) Of property held for the production of income.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (c), for taxable years ending after December 31, 1958, the term “reasonable allowance” as used in subdivision (a) shall include, but shall not be limited to, an allowance computed in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Franchise Tax Board, under any of the following methods:

(1) The straight-line method.

(2) The declining balance method, using a rate not exceeding twice the rate that would have been used had the annual allowance been computed under the method described in paragraph (1).

(3) The sum of the years-digits method.

(4) Any other consistent method productive of an annual allowance that, when added to all allowances for the period commencing with the taxpayer’s use of the property and including the taxable year, does not, during the first two-thirds of the useful life of the property, exceed the total of those allowances that would have been used had those allowances been computed under the method described in paragraph (2).

Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to limit or reduce an allowance otherwise allowable under subdivision (a).

(c) Any grapevine replaced in a vineyard in California in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1992, as a direct result of a phylloxera infestation in that vineyard, and any grapevine replaced in a vineyard in California in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1997, as a direct result of Pierce’s disease in that vineyard, shall have a useful life of five years, except that it shall have a class life of 10 years for purposes of depreciation under Section 168(g)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code where the taxpayer has made an election under Section 263A(d)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code not to capitalize costs of the infested vineyard. Every taxpayer claiming a deduction under this section with respect to a grapevine as described in this subdivision shall obtain a written certification from an independent state-certified integrated pest management adviser, or a state agricultural commissioner or adviser, that specifies that the replanting was necessary to restore a vineyard infested with phylloxera or Pierce's disease. The taxpayer shall retain the certification for future audit purposes.

(d) For purposes of this part, the deduction for property leased to governments and other tax-exempt entities, as defined in Section 168(h) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall be limited to the amount determined under Section 168(g) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to alternative depreciation system for certain property.

(e) (1) In the case of any building erected or improvements made on leased property, if the building or improvement is property to which this section applies, the depreciation deduction shall be determined under the provisions of this section.

(2) An improvement shall be treated for purposes of determining gain or loss under this part as disposed of by the lessor when so disposed of or abandoned if both of the following occur:

(A) The improvement is made by the lessor of leased property for the lessee of that property.

(B) The improvement is irrevocably disposed of or abandoned by the lessor at the termination of the lease by the lessee.

This subdivision shall not apply to any property to which Section 168 of the Internal Revenue Code does not apply for federal purposes by reason of Section 168(f) of the Internal Revenue Code. Any election made under Section 168(f)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code for federal purposes with respect to that property shall be treated as a binding election for state purposes under this subdivision with respect to that same property and no separate election under subdivision (e) of Section 23051.5 with respect to that property shall be allowed.

(3) (A) In determining a lease term, both of the following shall apply:

(i) There shall be taken into account options to renew.

(ii) Two or more successive leases which are part of the same transaction (or a series of related transactions) with respect to the same or substantially similar property shall be treated as one lease.

(B) For purposes of clause (i) of subparagraph (A), in the case of nonresidential real property or residential rental property, there shall not be taken into account any option to renew at fair market value determined at the time of renewal.

(f) (1) Section 167(g) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to depreciation under income forecast method, shall apply except as otherwise provided.

(2) Section 167(g)(2)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified by substituting "Section 19521" in lieu of "Section 460(b)(7)" of the Internal Revenue Code.

(3) Section 167(g)(5)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified by substituting "Part 10.2 (commencing with Section 18401) (other than Article 2 (commencing with Section 19021) and Sections 19142 to 19150, inclusive)" in lieu of "Subtitle F (other than Sections 6654 and 6655)."

(4) Section 167(g)(5)(E) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to treatment of distribution costs, shall not apply.

(5) Section 167(g)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to treatment of participations and residuals, shall not apply.

(g) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, for property placed in service on and after January 1, 2010, the applicable recovery period shall be one-half of the applicable recovery period set forth in the Internal Revenue Code provision 167 or 168 or one-half of the recovery period described in this code.

(h) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, for property placed in service before January 1, 2010, the remaining applicable recovery period shall be one-half of the applicable recovery period set forth in the Internal Revenue Code provision 167 or 168 or one-half of the recovery period described in this code.

~~SEC. 14.~~

SEC. 15. Section 24416 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

24416. Except as provided in Sections 24416.1, 24416.2, 24416.4, 24416.5, 24416.6, and 24416.7, a net operating loss deduction shall be allowed in computing net income under Section 24341 and shall be determined in accordance with Section 172 of the Internal Revenue Code, except as otherwise provided.

(a) (1) Net operating losses attributable to taxable years beginning before January 1, 1987, shall not be allowed.

(2) A net operating loss shall not be carried forward to any taxable year beginning before January 1, 1987.

(b) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), the provisions of Section 172(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to the amount of carryovers, shall be modified so that the applicable percentage of the entire amount of the net operating loss for any taxable year shall be eligible for carryover to any subsequent taxable year. For purposes of this subdivision, the applicable percentage shall be:

(A) Fifty percent for any taxable year beginning before January 1, 2000.

(B) Fifty-five percent for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2000, and before January 1, 2002.

(C) Sixty percent for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2002, and before January 1, 2004.

(D) One hundred percent for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2004.

(2) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates a new business during that taxable year, each of the following shall apply to each loss incurred during the first three taxable years of operating the new business:

(A) If the net operating loss is equal to or less than the net loss from the new business, 100 percent of the net operating loss shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (e).

(B) If the net operating loss is greater than the net loss from the new business, the net operating loss shall be carried over as follows:

(i) With respect to an amount equal to the net loss from the new business, 100 percent of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (e).

(ii) With respect to the portion of the net operating loss that exceeds the net loss from the new business, the applicable percentage of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (d).

(C) For purposes of Section 172(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, the amount described in clause (ii) of subparagraph (B) shall be absorbed before the amount described in clause (i) of subparagraph (B).

(3) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates an eligible small business during that taxable year, each of the following shall apply:

(A) If the net operating loss is equal to or less than the net loss from the eligible small business, 100 percent of the net operating loss shall be carried forward to the taxable years specified in paragraph (1) of subdivision (e).

(B) If the net operating loss is greater than the net loss from the eligible small business, the net operating loss shall be carried over as follows:

(i) With respect to an amount equal to the net loss from the eligible small business, 100 percent of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (e).

(ii) With respect to that portion of the net operating loss that exceeds the net loss from the eligible small business, the applicable percentage of that amount shall be carried forward as provided in subdivision (e).

(C) For purposes of Section 172(b)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, the amount described in clause (ii) of subparagraph (B) shall be absorbed before the amount described in clause (i) of subparagraph (B).

(4) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates a business that qualifies as both a new business and an eligible small business under this section, that business shall be treated as a new business for the first three taxable years of the new business.

(5) In the case of a taxpayer who has a net operating loss in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1994, and who operates more than one business, and more than one of those businesses qualifies as either a new business or an eligible small business under this section, paragraph (2) shall be applied first, except that if there is any remaining portion of the net operating loss after application of clause (i) of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2), paragraph (3) shall be applied to the remaining portion of the net operating loss as though that remaining portion of the net operating loss constituted the entire net operating loss.

(6) For purposes of this section, "net loss" means the amount of net loss after application of Sections 465 and 469 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(c) For any taxable year in which the taxpayer has in effect a water's-edge election under Section 25110, the deduction of a net operating loss carryover shall be denied to the extent that the net operating loss carryover was determined by taking into account the income and factors of an affiliated corporation in a combined report whose income and apportionment factors would not have been taken into account if a water's-edge election under Section 25110 had been in effect for the taxable year in which the loss was incurred.

(d) Section 172(b)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to net operating loss carrybacks and carryovers and the years to which the loss may be carried, is modified as follows:

(1) Net operating loss carrybacks shall not be allowed for any net operating losses attributable to taxable years beginning before January 1, 2011.

(2) (A) A net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2011, shall be a net operating loss carryback to each of the two taxable years preceding the taxable year of the loss in lieu of the number of years provided therein.

(B) For a net operating loss attributable to a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2011, and before January 1, 2012, the amount of carryback to any taxable year shall not exceed 50 percent of the net operating loss.

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(C) For a net operating loss attributable to a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, ~~2011~~ *2012*, the amount of carryback to any taxable year shall not exceed 100 percent of the net operating loss.

(3) Notwithstanding paragraph (2), Section 172(b)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to special rules for REITs, and Sections 172(b)(1)(E) and 172(h) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to corporate equity reduction interest loss, shall apply as provided.

(4) A net operating loss carryback shall not be carried back to any taxable year beginning before January 1, 2009.

(e) (1) (A) For a net operating loss for any taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 1987, and before January 1, 2000, Section 172(b)(1)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to years to which net operating losses may be carried, is modified to substitute “five taxable years” in lieu of “20 years” except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (2), (3), and (4).

(B) For a net operating loss for any income year beginning on or after January 1, 2000, and before January 1, 2008, Section 172(b)(1)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to years to which net operating losses may be carried, is modified to substitute “10 taxable years” in lieu of “20 taxable years.”

(2) For any income year beginning before January 1, 2000, in the case of a “new business,” the “five taxable years” referred to in paragraph (1) shall be modified to read as follows:

(A) “Eight taxable years” for a net operating loss attributable to the first taxable year of that new business.

(B) “Seven taxable years” for a net operating loss attributable to the second taxable year of that new business.

(C) “Six taxable years” for a net operating loss attributable to the third taxable year of that new business.

(3) For any carryover of a net operating loss for which a deduction is denied by Section 24416.3, the carryover period specified in this subdivision shall be extended as follows:

(A) By one year for a net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning in 1991.

(B) By two years for a net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning prior to January 1, 1991.

(4) The net operating loss attributable to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1987, and before January 1, 1994, shall be a net operating loss carryover to each of the 10 taxable years following the year of the loss if it is incurred by a corporation that was either of the following:

(A) Under the jurisdiction of the court in a Title 11 or similar case at any time prior to January 1, 1994. The loss carryover provided in the preceding sentence shall not apply to any loss incurred in an income year after the taxable year during which the corporation is no longer under the jurisdiction of the court in a Title 11 or similar case.

(B) In receipt of assets acquired in a transaction that qualifies as a tax-free reorganization under Section 368(a)(1)(G) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(f) For purposes of this section:

(1) "Eligible small business" means any trade or business that has gross receipts, less returns and allowances, of less than one million dollars ($1,000,000) during the income year.

(2) Except as provided in subdivision (g), "new business" means any trade or business activity that is first commenced in this state on or after January 1, 1994.

(3) "Title 11 or similar case" shall have the same meaning as in Section 368(a)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(4) In the case of any trade or business activity conducted by a partnership or an "S" corporation, paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be applied to the partnership or "S" corporation.

(g) For purposes of this section, in determining whether a trade or business activity qualifies as a new business under paragraph (2) of subdivision (e), the following rules shall apply:

(1) In any case where a taxpayer purchases or otherwise acquires all or any portion of the assets of an existing trade or business (irrespective of the form of entity) that is doing business in this state (within the meaning of Section 23101), the trade or business thereafter conducted by the taxpayer (or any related person) shall not be treated as a new business if the aggregate fair market value of the acquired assets (including real, personal, tangible, and intangible property) used by the taxpayer (or any related person) in the conduct of its trade or business exceeds 20 percent of the aggregate fair market value of the total assets of the trade or business being conducted by the taxpayer (or any related person). For purposes of this paragraph only, the following rules shall apply:

(A) The determination of the relative fair market values of the acquired assets and the total assets shall be made as of the last day of the first taxable year in which the taxpayer (or any related person) first uses any of the acquired trade or business assets in its business activity.

(B) Any acquired assets that constituted property described in Section 1221(1) of the Internal Revenue Code in the hands of the transferor shall not be treated as assets acquired from an existing trade or business, unless those assets also constitute property described in Section 1221(1) of the Internal Revenue Code in the hands of the acquiring taxpayer (or related person).

(2) In any case where a taxpayer (or any related person) is engaged in one or more trade or business activities in this state, or has been engaged in one or more trade or business activities in this

state within the preceding 36 months ("prior trade or business activity"), and thereafter commences an additional trade or business activity in this state, the additional trade or business activity shall only be treated as a new business if the additional trade or business activity is classified under a different division of the ~~Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual~~ *North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)* published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, ~~1987~~ *2007* edition, than are any of the taxpayer's (or any related person's) current or prior trade or business activities.

(3) In any case where a taxpayer, including all related persons, is engaged in trade or business activities wholly outside of this state and the taxpayer first commences doing business in this state (within the meaning of Section 23101) after December 31, 1993 (other than by purchase or other acquisition described in paragraph (1)), the trade or business activity shall be treated as a new business under paragraph (2) of subdivision (e).

(4) In any case where the legal form under which a trade or business activity is being conducted is changed, the change in form shall be disregarded and the determination of whether the trade or business activity is a new business shall be made by treating the taxpayer as having purchased or otherwise acquired all or any portion of the assets of an existing trade or business under the rules of paragraph (1) of this subdivision.

(5) "Related person" shall mean any person that is related to the taxpayer under either Section 267 or 318 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(6) "Acquire" shall include any transfer, whether or not for consideration.

(7) (A) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1997, the term "new business" shall include any taxpayer that is engaged in biopharmaceutical activities or other biotechnology activities that are described in Codes ~~2833 to 2836, inclusive, of the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual~~ *325411 to 325414, inclusive, of the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)* published by the United States Office of Management and Budget, ~~1987~~ *2007* edition, and as further amended, and that has not received regulatory approval for any product from the United States Food and Drug Administration.

(B) For purposes of this paragraph:

(i) "Biopharmaceutical activities" means those activities that use organisms or materials derived from organisms, and their cellular, subcellular, or molecular components, in order to provide pharmaceutical products for human or animal therapeutics and diagnostics. Biopharmaceutical activities make use of living organisms to make commercial products, as opposed to pharmaceutical activities that make use of chemical compounds to produce commercial products.

(ii) "Other biotechnology activities" means activities consisting of the application of recombinant DNA technology to produce commercial products, as well as activities regarding pharmaceutical delivery systems designed to provide a measure of control over the rate, duration, and site of pharmaceutical delivery.

(h) For purposes of corporations whose net income is determined under Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 25101), Section 25108 shall apply to each of the following:

(1) The amount of net operating loss incurred in any taxable year that may be carried forward to another taxable year.

(2) The amount of any loss carry forward that may be deducted in any taxable year.

(i) The provisions of Section 172(b)(1)(D) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to bad debt losses of commercial banks, shall not be applicable.

(j) The Franchise Tax Board may prescribe appropriate regulations to carry out the purposes of this section, including any regulations necessary to prevent the avoidance of the purposes of this section through splitups, shell corporations, partnerships, tiered ownership structures, or otherwise.

(k) The Franchise Tax Board may reclassify any net operating loss carryover determined under either paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (b) as a net operating loss carryover under paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) upon a showing that the reclassification is necessary to prevent evasion of the purposes of this section.

(*l*) Except as otherwise provided, the amendments made by Chapter 107 of the Statutes of 2000 shall apply to net operating losses for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2000.

~~SEC. 15.~~

SEC. 16. Section 24416.10 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:

24416.10. Notwithstanding Section 24416.1, 24416.2, 24416.4, 24416.5, 24416.6, or 24416.7 to the contrary, a net operating loss attributable to a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2008, shall be a net operating carryover to each of the 20 taxable years following the year of the loss, and a net operating loss attributable to a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2015, shall also be a net operating loss carryback to each of the five taxable years preceding the taxable year of loss.

SEC. 17. Section 24996 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

24996. Notwithstanding any other law, gross income shall not include any gain from the sale or exchange of any capital asset. For purposes of this section, "capital asset" means a capital asset as defined by Section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code.

~~SEC. 16.~~

SEC. 18. This act provides for a tax levy within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect.

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