## Senate Bill 4

Sponsored by Senators COURTNEY, DEVLIN; Senator BURDICK

## **SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.** 

Creates income tax credit for creation of new employment positions by taxpayer. Establishes \$10 million maximum for credits allowed to all taxpayers.

Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2010, and before January 1, 2011.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

1	A BILL FOR AN ACT
2	Relating to a business incentive tax credit; creating new provisions; amending ORS 314.752 and
3	318.031; and prescribing an effective date.
4	Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
5	SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2009 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 315.
6	SECTION 2. (1) A credit against taxes that are otherwise due under ORS chapter 316 or,
7	if the taxpayer is a corporation, under ORS chapter 317 or 318 is allowed to a taxpayer who
8	creates new employment positions. The amount of the credit is \$ for each full-time
9	position that is created. If any created positions are part-time, the amount of the credit shall
10	be prorated to equal \$ multiplied by the total number of full-time equivalent positions
11	created.

- (2) In order to qualify a taxpayer for the credit allowed under this section, a position must:
  - (a) Be filled between July 1, 2009, and December 31, 2009;
  - (b) Remain filled for at least 12 consecutive months; and
- (c) Create a net increase in the number of full-time equivalent positions of the taxpayer compared to the taxpayer's payroll as of June 1, 2009.
- (3) Prior to claiming the credit allowed under this section, a taxpayer is required to receive written certification of eligibility from the Department of Revenue.
- (4) The credit allowed under this section may not exceed the tax liability of the taxpayer for the tax year.
- (5) Any tax credit otherwise allowable under this section that is not used by the taxpayer in a particular tax year may be carried forward and offset against the taxpayer's tax liability for the next succeeding tax year. Any credit remaining unused in the next succeeding tax year may be carried forward and used in the second succeeding tax year, and likewise any credit not used in that second succeeding tax year may be carried forward and used in the third succeeding tax year but may not be carried forward for any tax year thereafter.
- (6) A nonresident shall be allowed the credit under this section. The credit shall be computed in the same manner and be subject to the same limitations as the credit granted to a resident.

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- (7) If a change in the taxable year of the taxpayer occurs as described in ORS 314.085, or if the Department of Revenue terminates the taxpayer's taxable year under ORS 314.440, the credit allowed by this section shall be prorated or computed in a manner consistent with ORS 314.085.
- (8) If a change in the status of a taxpayer from resident to nonresident or from nonresident to resident occurs, the credit allowed by this section shall be determined in a manner consistent with ORS 316.117.
- (9) The total amount of tax credits allowed to taxpayers under this section may not exceed \$10 million.
- (10) The Department of Revenue shall adopt rules for the purposes of this section, including policies and procedures for certifying taxpayers as eligible for the credit allowed under this section as required by subsection (3) of this section.

**SECTION 3.** ORS 314.752 is amended to read:

- 314.752. (1) Except as provided in ORS 314.740 (5)(b), the tax credits allowed or allowable to a C corporation for purposes of ORS chapter 317 or 318 shall not be allowed to an S corporation. The business tax credits allowed or allowable for purposes of ORS chapter 316 shall be allowed or are allowable to the shareholders of the S corporation.
- (2) In determining the tax imposed under ORS chapter 316, as provided under ORS 314.734, on income of the shareholder of an S corporation, there shall be taken into account the shareholder's pro rata share of business tax credit (or item thereof) that would be allowed to the corporation (but for subsection (1) of this section) or recapture or recovery thereof. The credit (or item thereof), recapture or recovery shall be passed through to shareholders in pro rata shares as determined in the manner prescribed under section 1377(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (3) The character of any item included in a shareholder's pro rata share under subsection (2) of this section shall be determined as if such item were realized directly from the source from which realized by the corporation, or incurred in the same manner as incurred by the corporation.
- (4) If the shareholder is a nonresident and there is a requirement applicable for the business tax credit that in the case of a nonresident the credit be allowed in the proportion provided in ORS 316.117, then that provision shall apply to the nonresident shareholder.
- (5) As used in this section, "business tax credit" means a tax credit granted to personal income taxpayers to encourage certain investment, to create employment, economic opportunity or incentive or for charitable, educational, scientific, literary or public purposes that is listed under this subsection as a business tax credit or is designated as a business tax credit by law or by the Department of Revenue by rule and includes but is not limited to the following credits: ORS 285C.309 (tribal taxes on reservation enterprise zones), ORS 315.104 (forestation and reforestation), ORS 315.134 (fish habitat improvement), ORS 315.138 (fish screening, by-pass devices, fishways), ORS 315.156 (crop gleaning), ORS 315.164 and 315.169 (farmworker housing), ORS 315.204 (dependent care assistance), ORS 315.208 (dependent care facilities), ORS 315.213 (contributions for child care), ORS 315.254 (youth apprenticeship sponsorship), ORS 315.304 (pollution control facility), ORS 315.324 (plastics recycling), ORS 315.354 and ORS 469.207 (energy conservation facilities), ORS 315.604 (bone marrow transplant expenses), ORS 317.115 (fueling stations necessary to operate an alternative fuel vehicle) and ORS 315.141 (biomass production for biofuel) and section 2 of this 2009 Act (business incentive).

SECTION 4. ORS 318.031 is amended to read:

318.031. It being the intention of the Legislative Assembly that this chapter and ORS chapter
317 shall be administered as uniformly as possible (allowance being made for the difference in im-
position of the taxes), ORS $305.140$ and $305.150$ , ORS chapter $314$ and the following sections are in-
$corporated \ into \ and \ made \ a \ part \ of \ this \ chapter: \ ORS \ 285C.309, \ 315.104, \ 315.134, \ 315.141, \ 315.156,$
$315.204,\ 315.208,\ 315.213,\ 315.254,\ 315.304,\ 315.507,\ 315.511$ and $315.604$ and section 2 of this 2009
Act (all only to the extent applicable to a corporation) and ORS chapter 317.

SECTION 5. Section 2 of this 2009 Act and the amendments to ORS 314.752 and 318.031 by sections 3 and 4 of this 2009 Act apply to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2010, and before January 1, 2011.

SECTION 6. This 2009 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the regular session of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.