# House Bill 2054

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#### **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.** 

Modifies definition of "business tax credit," as allowed to shareholders of S corporation, to remove Department of Revenue rulemaking authority. Modifies tax credit allowed for employment-related dependent care expenses to conform to operation of related federal tax credit. Prescribes eligibility requirements for earned income and loss for allowance of credit.

Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2018. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

#### A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to tax credits; creating new provisions; amending ORS 314.752 and 315.264; and prescribing an effective date.

### Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

**SECTION 1.** 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 and reservation partnership zones), ORS 315.104 (forestation and reforestation), ORS 315.138 (fish screening, by-pass devices, fishways), ORS 315.141 (biomass pro-

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duction for biofuel), ORS 315.156 (crop gleaning), ORS 315.164 and 315.169 (agriculture workforce housing), ORS 315.204 (dependent care assistance), ORS 315.208 (dependent care facilities), ORS 315.213 (contributions for child care), ORS 315.304 (pollution control facility), ORS 315.326 (renewable energy development contributions), ORS 315.331 (energy conservation projects), ORS 315.336 (transportation projects), ORS 315.341 (renewable energy resource equipment manufacturing facilities), ORS 315.354 and 469B.151 (energy conservation facilities), ORS 315.507 (electronic commerce) and ORS 315.533 (low income community jobs initiative).

## **SECTION 2.** ORS 315.264 is amended to read:

315.264. (1)(a) A credit against the tax otherwise due under ORS chapter 316 shall be allowed a taxpayer in an amount equal to a percentage of employment-related expenses of a type allowable as a credit pursuant to section 21 of the Internal Revenue Code, notwithstanding the limitation imposed by section 21(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, and limited as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection.

(b) The employment-related expenses for which a credit is claimed under this section may not exceed \$12,000 for a taxpayer for which there is one qualifying individual, or \$24,000 for a taxpayer for which there are two or more qualifying individuals. The limitations in this section shall be reduced by the aggregate amount excludable under section 129 of the Internal Revenue Code for the tax year.

(2) The applicable percentage described in subsection (1) of this section shall be determined in accordance with the following table:

Greater of Federal

24 or Oregon Adjusted

25 Gross Income, as

26 Percentage of Federal

27 Poverty Level

Applicable percentage based on age of youngest [child]

[at close] qualifying individual on January 1 of tax year

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30				At least 6 years				
31				but less than				
32				At least	13, or at least			
33				3 years	13 but less	18 years or		
34	Greater	Less than	Under 3	but less	than 18 if	older if		
35	than	or equal to	years	than 6	disabled	disabled		
36	0%	10%	10%	8%	5%	5%		
37	10%	20%	20%	18%	15%	5%		
38	20%	30%	30%	28%	25%	10%		
39	30%	40%	40%	38%	35%	20%		
40	40%	50%	50%	48%	45%	30%		
41	50%	60%	55%	53%	50%	35%		
42	60%	70%	60%	58%	55%	40%		
43	70%	80%	65%	63%	60%	45%		
44	80%	90%	70%	68%	65%	50%		
45	90%	110%	75%	73%	70%	55%		

1	110%	120%	71%	69%	66%	50%
2	120%	130%	66%	64%	61%	45%
3	130%	140%	61%	59%	56%	39%
4	140%	150%	55%	53%	50%	33%
5	150%	160%	50%	48%	45%	28%
6	160%	200%	47%	45%	42%	25%
7	200%	210%	45%	43%	40%	22%
8	210%	220%	40%	38%	35%	20%
9	220%	230%	35%	33%	30%	15%
10	230%	240%	30%	28%	25%	10%
11	240%	250%	20%	18%	15%	5%
12	250%	260%	10%	8%	5%	5%
13	260%	280%	6%	6%	4%	4%
14	280%	300%	4%	4%	4%	4%
15	300%	-	0%	0%	0%	0%
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- (3) The applicable percentage for a household in excess of eight members shall be calculated as if for a household size of eight members.
  - (4) The credit under this section is not allowed:
- (a) To a taxpayer with federal adjusted gross income or Oregon adjusted gross income, whichever is greater, in excess of 300 percent of the federal poverty level;
  - (b) To a taxpayer who claims a capital loss or a net operating loss in the tax year; or
- (c) To any taxpayer who does not report earned income that is taxable by Oregon on the taxpayer's return.
- (5) In order to ensure compliance with the eligibility requirements of the credit allowed under this section, the Department of Revenue shall be afforded access to utilization data maintained by the Department of Human Services in its administration of the Employment Related Day Care program.
- (6) The [Director of the] Department of Revenue may assess a penalty in an amount not to exceed 25 percent of the amount of credit claimed by the taxpayer against any taxpayer who knowingly claims or attempts to claim any amount of credit under this section for which the taxpayer is ineligible, or against any individual who knowingly assists another individual in claiming any amount of credit for which the individual is ineligible.
- (7) The Department of Revenue may adopt rules for carrying out the provisions of this section and prescribe the form used to claim a credit and the information required on the form.
- (8) A nonresident individual shall be allowed the credit computed in the same manner and subject to the same limitations as the credit allowed a resident by subsection (1) of this section. However, the credit shall be prorated using the proportion provided in ORS 316.117.
- (9) If a change in the taxable year of a 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.
- (10) 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.

(11) If the amount allowable as a credit under this section, when added to the sum of the
amounts allowable as payment of tax under ORS 316.187 or 316.583, other tax prepayment amounts
and other refundable credit amounts, exceeds the taxes imposed by ORS chapters 314 and 316 for
the tax year after application of any nonrefundable credits allowable for purposes of ORS chapter
316 for the tax year, the amount of the excess shall be refunded to the taxpayer as provided in ORS
316.502.

SECTION 3. The amendments to ORS 314.752 and 315.264 by sections 1 and 2 of this 2017 Act apply to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2018.

SECTION 4. This 2017 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2017 regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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