

2007 SENATE BILL 94

March 13, 2007 – Introduced by Senators LEIBHAM, LAZICH, PLALE, GROTHMAN and KANAVAS, cosponsored by Representatives VAN ROY, GRONEMUS, NYGREN, SHILLING, ALBERS, BALLWEG, GUNDERSON, HAHN, JESKEWITZ, OWENS, A. OTT, SEIDEL, TOWNSEND, VOS and WOOD. Referred to Committee on Small Business, Emergency Preparedness, Workforce Development, Technical Colleges and Consumer Protection.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 71.05 (6) (a) 15., 71.21 (4), 71.26 (2) (a), 71.34 (1) (g), 71.45 (2)
 2 (a) 10. and 77.92 (4); and *to create* 71.07 (5i), 71.10 (4) (gxx), 71.28 (5i), 71.30
 3 (3) (epa), 71.47 (5i) and 71.49 (1) (gxx) of the statutes; **relating to:** an income
 4 and franchise credit for property taxes paid on restaurant kitchen machinery
 5 and equipment.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill creates an income and franchise tax credit in an amount that is equal to the amount of property taxes that a taxpayer paid in the taxable year on machinery and equipment, including refrigerators and other storage equipment, used primarily in the operation of a restaurant's kitchen to prepare or serve food or beverages. Under the bill, a restaurant includes pizza delivery establishments, snack bars, beverage bars, takeout food shops, and mobile food services, including mobile snack stands, mobile canteens, and ice cream vendors.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

6 **SECTION 1.** 71.05 (6) (a) 15. of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 71.05 **(6)** (a) 15. The amount of the credits computed under s. 71.07 (2dd), (2de),
2 (2di), (2dj), (2dL), (2dm), (2dr), (2ds), (2dx), (3g), (3n), (3s), (3t), (3w), (5b), (5d), and
3 (5e), (5f), and (5h), and (5i) and not passed through by a partnership, limited liability
4 company, or tax-option corporation that has added that amount to the partnership's,
5 company's, or tax-option corporation's income under s. 71.21 (4) or 71.34 (1) (g).

6 **SECTION 2.** 71.07 (5i) of the statutes is created to read:

7 71.07 **(5i)** RESTAURANT KITCHEN EQUIPMENT CREDIT. (a) *Definitions.* In this
8 subsection:

9 1. "Claimant" means a person who files a claim under this subsection.

10 2. "Machinery" has the meaning given in s. 70.11 (27) (a) 2.

11 3. "Restaurant" includes pizza delivery establishments, snack bars, beverage
12 bars, takeout food shops, and mobile food services, including mobile snack stands,
13 mobile canteens, and ice cream vendors.

14 (b) *Filing claims.* Subject to the limitations provided in this subsection, a
15 claimant may claim as a credit against the taxes imposed under s. 71.02, up to the
16 amount of those taxes, an amount that is equal to the taxes imposed under ch. 70 that
17 the claimant paid in the taxable year on machinery and equipment, including
18 refrigerators and other storage equipment, used primarily in the operation of a
19 restaurant's kitchen to prepare or serve food or beverages.

20 (c) *Limitations.* Partnerships, limited liability companies, and tax-option
21 corporations may not claim the credit under this subsection, but the eligibility for,
22 and the amount of, the credit are based on their payment of amounts under par. (b).
23 A partnership, limited liability company, or tax-option corporation shall compute
24 the amount of credit that each of its partners, members, or shareholders may claim
25 and shall provide that information to each of them. Partners, members of limited

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1 liability companies, and shareholders of tax–option corporations may claim the
2 credit in proportion to their ownership interests.

3 (d) *Administration.* Section 71.28 (4) (e) to (h), as it applies to the credit under
4 s. 71.28 (4), applies to the credit under this subsection.

5 **SECTION 3.** 71.10 (4) (gxx) of the statutes is created to read:

6 71.10 (4) (gxx) Restaurant kitchen equipment credit under s. 71.07 (5i).

7 **SECTION 4.** 71.21 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 71.21 (4) Credits computed by a partnership under s. 71.07 (2dd), (2de), (2di),
9 (2dj), (2dL), (2dm), (2ds), (2dx), (3g), (3n), (3s), (3t), (3w), (5b), (5e), (5f), (5g), ~~and (5h)~~,
10 and (5i) and passed through to partners shall be added to the partnership's income.

11 **SECTION 5.** 71.26 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 71.26 (2) (a) *Corporations in general.* The “net income” of a corporation means
13 the gross income as computed under the Internal Revenue Code as modified under
14 sub. (3) minus the amount of recapture under s. 71.28 (1di) plus the amount of credit
15 computed under s. 71.28 (1), (3), (4), and (5) minus, as provided under s. 71.28 (3) (c)
16 7., the amount of the credit under s. 71.28 (3) that the taxpayer added to income
17 under this paragraph at the time that the taxpayer first claimed the credit plus the
18 amount of the credit computed under s. 71.28 (1dd), (1de), (1di), (1dj), (1dL), (1dm),
19 (1ds), (1dx), (3g), (3n), (3t), (3w), (5b), (5e), (5f), (5g), ~~and (5h)~~, and (5i) and not passed
20 through by a partnership, limited liability company, or tax–option corporation that
21 has added that amount to the partnership's, limited liability company's, or
22 tax–option corporation's income under s. 71.21 (4) or 71.34 (1) (g) plus the amount
23 of losses from the sale or other disposition of assets the gain from which would be
24 wholly exempt income, as defined in sub. (3) (L), if the assets were sold or otherwise
25 disposed of at a gain and minus deductions, as computed under the Internal Revenue

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1 Code as modified under sub. (3), plus or minus, as appropriate, an amount equal to
2 the difference between the federal basis and Wisconsin basis of any asset sold,
3 exchanged, abandoned, or otherwise disposed of in a taxable transaction during the
4 taxable year, except as provided in par. (b) and s. 71.45 (2) and (5).

5 **SECTION 6.** 71.28 (5i) of the statutes is created to read:

6 **71.28 (5i) RESTAURANT KITCHEN EQUIPMENT CREDIT.** (a) *Definitions.* In this
7 subsection:

8 1. “Claimant” means a person who files a claim under this subsection.

9 2. “Machinery” has the meaning given in s. 70.11 (27) (a) 2.

10 3. “Restaurant” includes pizza delivery establishments, snack bars, beverage
11 bars, takeout food shops, and mobile food services, including mobile snack stands,
12 mobile canteens, and ice cream vendors.

13 (b) *Filing claims.* Subject to the limitations provided in this subsection, a
14 claimant may claim as a credit against the taxes imposed under s. 71.23, up to the
15 amount of those taxes, an amount that is equal to the taxes imposed under ch. 70 that
16 the claimant paid in the taxable year on machinery and equipment, including
17 refrigerators and other storage equipment, used primarily in the operation of a
18 restaurant’s kitchen to prepare or serve food or beverages.

19 (c) *Limitations.* Partnerships, limited liability companies, and tax-option
20 corporations may not claim the credit under this subsection, but the eligibility for,
21 and the amount of, the credit are based on their payment of amounts under par. (b).
22 A partnership, limited liability company, or tax-option corporation shall compute
23 the amount of credit that each of its partners, members, or shareholders may claim
24 and shall provide that information to each of them. Partners, members of limited

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1 liability companies, and shareholders of tax-option corporations may claim the
2 credit in proportion to their ownership interests.

3 (d) *Administration.* Subsection (4) (e) to (h), as it applies to the credit under
4 sub. (4), applies to the credit under this subsection.

5 **SECTION 7.** 71.30 (3) (epa) of the statutes is created to read:

6 71.30 (3) (epa) Restaurant kitchen equipment credit under s. 71.28 (5i).

7 **SECTION 8.** 71.34 (1) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 71.34 (1) (g) An addition shall be made for credits computed by a tax-option
9 corporation under s. 71.28 (1dd), (1de), (1di), (1dj), (1dL), (1dm), (1ds), (1dx), (3), (3g),
10 (3n), (3t), (3w), (5b), (5e), (5f), (5g), ~~and (5h),~~ and (5i) and passed through to
11 shareholders.

12 **SECTION 9.** 71.45 (2) (a) 10. of the statutes is amended to read:

13 71.45 (2) (a) 10. By adding to federal taxable income the amount of credit
14 computed under s. 71.47 (1dd) to (1dx), (3n), (3w), (5b), (5e), (5f), (5g), ~~and (5h),~~ and
15 (5i) and not passed through by a partnership, limited liability company, or tax-option
16 corporation that has added that amount to the partnership's, limited liability
17 company's, or tax-option corporation's income under s. 71.21 (4) or 71.34 (1) (g) and
18 the amount of credit computed under s. 71.47 (1), (3), (3t), (4), and (5).

19 **SECTION 10.** 71.47 (5i) of the statutes is created to read:

20 71.47 (5i) RESTAURANT KITCHEN EQUIPMENT CREDIT. (a) *Definitions.* In this
21 subsection:

22 1. "Claimant" means a person who files a claim under this subsection.

23 2. "Machinery" has the meaning given in s. 70.11 (27) (a) 2.

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1 3. “Restaurant” includes pizza delivery establishments, snack bars, beverage
2 bars, takeout food shops, and mobile food services, including mobile snack stands,
3 mobile canteens, and ice cream vendors.

4 (b) *Filing claims.* Subject to the limitations provided in this subsection, a
5 claimant may claim as a credit against the taxes imposed under s. 71.43, up to the
6 amount of those taxes, an amount that is equal to the taxes imposed under ch. 70 that
7 the claimant paid in the taxable year on machinery and equipment, including
8 refrigerators and other storage equipment, used primarily in the operation of a
9 restaurant’s kitchen to prepare or serve food or beverages.

10 (c) *Limitations.* Partnerships, limited liability companies, and tax–option
11 corporations may not claim the credit under this subsection, but the eligibility for,
12 and the amount of, the credit are based on their payment of amounts under par. (b).
13 A partnership, limited liability company, or tax–option corporation shall compute
14 the amount of credit that each of its partners, members, or shareholders may claim
15 and shall provide that information to each of them. Partners, members of limited
16 liability companies, and shareholders of tax–option corporations may claim the
17 credit in proportion to their ownership interests.

18 (d) *Administration.* Section 71.28 (4) (e) to (h), as it applies to the credit under
19 s. 71.28 (4), applies to the credit under this subsection.

20 **SECTION 11.** 71.49 (1) (gxx) of the statutes is created to read:

21 71.49 (1) (gxx) Restaurant kitchen equipment credit under s. 71.47 (5i).

22 **SECTION 12.** 77.92 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

23 77.92 (4) “Net business income,” with respect to a partnership, means taxable
24 income as calculated under section 703 of the Internal Revenue Code; plus the items
25 of income and gain under section 702 of the Internal Revenue Code, including taxable

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1 state and municipal bond interest and excluding nontaxable interest income or
2 dividend income from federal government obligations; minus the items of loss and
3 deduction under section 702 of the Internal Revenue Code, except items that are not
4 deductible under s. 71.21; plus guaranteed payments to partners under section 707
5 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code; plus the credits claimed under s. 71.07 (2dd), (2de),
6 (2di), (2dj), (2dL), (2dm), (2dr), (2ds), (2dx), (3g), (3s), (3n), (3t), (3w), (5b), (5e), (5f),
7 (5g), ~~and (5h), and (5i)~~; and plus or minus, as appropriate, transitional adjustments,
8 depreciation differences, and basis differences under s. 71.05 (13), (15), (16), (17), and
9 (19); but excluding income, gain, loss, and deductions from farming. “Net business
10 income,” with respect to a natural person, estate, or trust, means profit from a trade
11 or business for federal income tax purposes and includes net income derived as an
12 employee as defined in section 3121 (d) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

SECTION 13. Initial applicability.

14 (1) This act first applies to taxable years beginning on January 1, 2008.

15 (END)