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- AN ACT Relating to tax credits; and amending RCW 82.62.010.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 3 **Sec. 1.** RCW 82.62.010 and 1988 c 42 s 17 are each amended to read 4 as follows:
- 5 Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in 6 this section apply throughout this chapter.
- 7 (1) "Applicant" means a person applying for a tax credit under this 8 chapter.
- 9 (2) "Department" means the department of revenue.
- 10 (3) "Eligible area" means: (a) A county in which the average level 11 of unemployment for the three years before the year in which an application is filed under this chapter exceeds the average state 12 13 unemployment for those years by twenty percent; ((<del>or</del>)) 14 metropolitan statistical area, as defined by the office of federal 15 statistical policy and standards, United States department of commerce, in which the average level of unemployment for the calendar year 16 17 immediately preceding the year in which an application is filed under this chapter exceeds the average state unemployment for such calendar 18 19 year by twenty percent; or (c) a county or portion of a county adjacent

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- to an eligible area as described in (a) or (b) of this subsection, but only for otherwise eligible businesses if at least fifty percent of the employees of that business reside within an eligible area described in (a) or (b) of this subsection. Applications under ((this subsection (3)))(b) of this subsection shall be filed by April 30, 1989.
- (4)(a) "Eligible business project" means manufacturing or research 6 7 and development activities which are conducted by an applicant in an 8 eligible area at a specific facility: PROVIDED, That the applicant's 9 average full-time qualified employment positions at the specific 10 facility will be at least fifteen percent greater in the year for which 11 the credit is being sought than the applicant's average full-time 12 qualified employment positions at the same facility in the immediately 13 preceding year.
- (b) "Eligible business project" does not include any portion of a business project undertaken by a light and power business as defined in RCW 82.16.010(5) or that portion of a business project creating qualified full-time employment positions outside an eligible area or those recipients of a sales tax deferral under chapter 82.61 RCW.
- 19 (5) "Manufacturing" means all activities of a commercial or 20 industrial nature wherein labor or skill is applied, by hand or machinery, to materials so that as a result thereof a new, different, 21 or useful substance or article of tangible personal property is 22 23 produced for sale or commercial or industrial use and shall include the production or fabrication of specially made or custom made articles. 24 25 "Manufacturing" also includes computer programming, the production of 26 computer software, and other computer-related services, and the 27 activities performed by research and development laboratories and commercial testing laboratories. 28
  - (6) "Person" has the meaning given in RCW 82.04.030.
- 30 (7) "Qualified employment position" means a permanent full-time 31 employee employed in the eligible business project during the entire 32 tax year.
  - (8) "Tax year" means the calendar year in which taxes are due.
- 34 (9) "Recipient" means a person receiving tax credits under this 35 chapter.
- (10) "Research and development" means the development, refinement, testing, marketing, and commercialization of a product, service, or process before commercial sales have begun. As used in this subsection, "commercial sales" excludes sales of prototypes or sales

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- 1 for market testing if the total gross receipts from such sales of the
- 2 product, service, or process do not exceed one million dollars.

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