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Introduced by Sen. ORTT -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Budget and Revenue

AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to creating a wage tax credit for employers who employ New York national guard men and women, reservists, volunteer firefighters and EMS personnel

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Section 210-B of the tax law is amended by adding two new
subdivisions 59 and 60 to read as follows:
59. Employment of New York national guard and reserve members wage tax
credit. (a) Allowance of credit. A taxpayer shall be allowed a credit,
in the amount of one thousand five hundred dollars, against the tax
imposed by this article for each member of the New York national guard
and reserves which it employs. Provided, however, such taxpayer shall
comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights
Act, as found in section 4301 et seq. of title 18 of the United States
Code; and provided further that such person shall have been employed for
at least six months.
(b) Application of credit. The credit allowed under this subdivision
for any taxable year shall not reduce the tax due for such year to less
than the minimum amount prescribed in paragraph (d) of subdivision one
of section two hundred ten of this article. If, however, the amount of
credits allowed under this subdivision for any taxable year reduces the
tax to such amount, any amount of credit thus not deductible in such
taxable year shall be treated as an overpayment of tax to be credited or
refunded in accordance with the provisions of section one thousand
eighty-six of this chapter. Provided, however, the provisions of
subsection (c) of section one thousand eighty-eight of this chapter
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EXPLANATION--Matter in <u>italics</u> (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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credit. A taxpayer shall be allowed a credit of one thousand five 1 hundred dollars, against the tax imposed by this article, for each 2 volunteer firefighter and EMS first responder personnel which it 3 employs; provided that such person shall have been employed for at least 4 5 six months. (b) Application of credit. The credit allowed under this subdivision 6 7 for any taxable year shall not reduce the tax due for such year to less 8 than the minimum amount prescribed in paragraph (d) of subdivision one 9 of section two hundred ten of this article. If, however, the amount of 10 credits allowed under this subdivision for any taxable year reduces the tax to such amount, any amount of credit thus not deductible in such 11 12 taxable year shall be treated as an overpayment of tax to be credited or refunded in accordance with the provisions of section one thousand 13 eighty-six of this chapter. Provided, however, the provisions of 14 15 subsection (c) of section one thousand eighty-eight of this chapter notwithstanding, no interest shall be paid thereon. 16 17 § 2. Subparagraph (B) of paragraph 1 of subsection (i) of section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding two new clauses (xlx) and (xlxi) to 18 read as follows: 19 20 (xlx) Employment of New Amount of credit 21 York national under subdivision 22 guard and reserve fifty-nine of section two hundred ten-B 23 members credit under sub-24 25 section (000) Amount of credit under (xlxi) Employment of volunteer 26 firefighters and EMS subdivision sixty of 27 28 first responder section two hundred ten-B 29 personnel wage 30 credit under sub-31 section (ppp) 32 § 3. Section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding two new subsections (ooo) and (ppp) to read as follows: 33 34 (000) Employment of New York national guard and reserve member credit. 35 (1) Allowance of credit. A taxpayer shall be allowed a credit, as hereinafter provided, against the tax imposed by this article if they employ 36 37 New York national guard and reserve members. Provided, however, they shall comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment 38 Rights Act, as found in section 4301 et seq. of title 18 of the United 39 States Code; and provided, further that such person shall have been 40 41 employed for at least six months. The amount of the credit shall be fifteen hundred dollars for each national guard member or reservist 42 43 employed. 44 (2) Application of credit. If the amount of the credit allowed under 45 this subsection for any taxable year shall exceed the taxpayer's tax for such year, the excess shall be treated as an overpayment of tax to be 46 credited or refunded in accordance with the provisions of section six 47 hundred eighty-six of this article, provided, however, that no interest 48 shall be paid thereon. 49 50 (3) Carryover. If the amount of credit allowable under this subsection 51 for any taxable year shall exceed the taxpayer's tax for such year, the excess may be carried over to the following year or years, and may be 52 53 deducted from the taxpayer's tax for such year or years.

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(ppp) Employment of volunteer firefighters and EMS first responder 1 personnel wage credit. (1) Allowance of credit. A taxpayer shall be 2 allowed a credit, as hereinafter provided, against the tax imposed by 3 4 this article for each volunteer firefighter and EMS first responder 5 personnel which it employs; provided that such person shall have been 6 employed for at least six months. The amount of the credit shall be 7 fifteen hundred dollars for each volunteer firefighter and EMS first 8 responder employed. 9 (2) Application of credit. If the amount of the credit allowed under 10 this subsection for any taxable year shall exceed the taxpayer's tax for 11 such year, the excess shall be treated as an overpayment of tax to be 12 credited or refunded in accordance with the provisions of section six hundred eighty-six of this article, provided, however, that no interest 13 14 shall be paid thereon. 15 (3) Carryover. If the amount of credit allowable under this subsection for any taxable year shall exceed the taxpayer's tax for such year, the 16 17 excess may be carried over to the following year or years, and may be deducted from the taxpayer's tax for such year or years. 18 § 4. This act shall take effect immediately and shall apply to taxable 19 20 years beginning on and after January 1, 2025. Effective immediately the 21 addition, amendment and/or repeal of any rule or regulation necessary 22 for the implementation of this act on its effective date are authorized 23 to be made on or before such date.