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# A BILL

То	amend sections 5747.98 and 5751.98 and to enact	1
	sections 122.078, 5747.74, and 5751.55 of the	2
	Revised Code to temporarily authorize a	3
	nonrefundable tax credit for the retail sale of	4
	high-ethanol blend motor fuel.	5

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 5747.98 and 5751.98 be amended	6
and sections 122.078, 5747.74, and 5751.55 of the Revised Code	7
be enacted to read as follows:	8
Sec. 122.078. (A) As used in this section:	9
(1) "Ethanol" has the same meaning as in section 122.075	10
of the Revised Code.	11
(2) "Higher ethanol blend" means a fuel capable of being	12
dispensed directly into motor vehicle fuel tanks for consumption	13
that is comprised of between and including fifteen and eighty-	14
five per cent ethanol.	15

(3) "Retail dealer" means a person that owns or operates a	16
retail service station.	
(4) "Retail service station" means a location in this	18
state from which higher ethanol blend is sold to the general	19
public and is dispensed directly into motor vehicle fuel tanks_	
for consumption.	
(B) A retail dealer may apply to the director of	22
development services for a tax credit under section 5747.74 or_	23
5751.55 of the Revised Code. The credit shall equal five cents	23
per gallon of higher ethanol blend the retail dealer sells and	25
dispenses through metered pumps at the retail dealer's retail	26
service station during the calendar year.	23
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The application may be submitted after the first day and	28
before the twenty-first day of January of the year following the	29
the calendar year in which the sales are made. The application	30
shall be made on a form and in the manner prescribed by the	31
director, and shall, at a minimum, include any information and	32
documentation sufficient to establish that the applicant meets	
the eligibility criteria prescribed by this section.	
(C) If the director determines that the applicant	35
qualifies for a credit under this section, the director shall	36
issue, within fifteen days after the receipt of a complete	37
application under division (B) of this section, a tax credit	38
certificate to the taxpayer. The tax credit certificate shall be	39
identified with a unique number and shall list the amount of	40
credit the director determines the retail dealer is eligible to	41
claim under section 5747.74 or 5751.55 of the Revised Code. The	42
director shall send a copy of each tax credit certificate to the	43
tax commissioner.	44

(D)(1) The director shall not award more than ten million	45
dollars in tax credits under this section.	46
(2) The director shall not award tax credits under this	47
section for retail sales of higher ethanol blend that occur more	48
than four calendar years after the calendar year in which this	49
section becomes law.	50
Sec. 5747.74. There is hereby allowed a nonrefundable	51
credit against the taxpayer's aggregate tax liability under	52
section 5747.02 of the Revised Code for a taxpayer issued a tax	53
credit certificate under section 122.078 of the Revised Code.	54
The credit shall equal the dollar amount indicated on the	55
certificate. The credit shall be claimed for the taxpayer's	56
taxable year that includes the last day of the calendar year in	57
which the sales that are the basis of the credit are made.	58
The taxpayer shall claim the credit in the order required	59
by section 5747.98 of the Revised Code. Any credit amount in	60
excess of the taxpayer's tax liability, after allowing for any	61
other credits preceding the credit in that order, may be carried	62
forward for succeeding taxable years, but the amount of excess_	63
credit allowed in any such year shall be deducted from the	64
balance carried forward to the next year.	65
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<u>If the taxpayer is a direct or indirect investor in a</u>	66
pass-through entity that was issued a tax credit certificate	67
under section 122.078 of the Revised Code, the taxpayer may	68
claim its proportionate or distributive share of the credit	69
allowed under this section.	70
A taxpayer claiming a credit under this section may not	71
claim the credit authorized under section 5751.55 of the Revised	72
Code on the basis of the same tax credit certificate.	73

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Sec. 5747.98. (A) To provide a uniform procedure for	74
calculating a taxpayer's aggregate tax liability under section	75
5747.02 of the Revised Code, a taxpayer shall claim any credits	76
to which the taxpayer is entitled in the following order:	77
Either the retirement income credit under division (B) of	78
section 5747.055 of the Revised Code or the lump sum retirement	79
income credits under divisions (C), (D), and (E) of that	80
section;	81
Either the senior citizen credit under division (F) of	82
section 5747.055 of the Revised Code or the lump sum	83
distribution credit under division (G) of that section;	84
The dependent care credit under section 5747.054 of the	85
Revised Code;	86
The credit for displaced workers who pay for job training	87
under section 5747.27 of the Revised Code;	88
The campaign contribution credit under section 5747.29 of	89
the Revised Code;	90
The twenty-dollar personal exemption credit under section	91
5747.022 of the Revised Code;	92
The joint filing credit under division (G) of section	93
5747.05 of the Revised Code;	94
The earned income credit under section 5747.71 of the	95
Revised Code;	96
The credit for adoption of a minor child under section	97
5747.37 of the Revised Code;	98
The nonrefundable job retention credit under division (B)	99
of section 5747.058 of the Revised Code;	100

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The enterprise zone credit under section 5709.66 of the	101
Revised Code;	102
The credit for purchases of qualifying grape production	103
property under section 5747.28 of the Revised Code;	104
The small business investment credit under section 5747.81	105
of the Revised Code;	106
The nonrefundable lead abatement credit under section	107
5747.26 of the Revised Code;	108
The nonrefundable credit for the sale of higher ethanol	109
blend motor fuel under section 5747.74 of the Revised Code;	110
The opportunity zone investment credit under section	111
122.84 of the Revised Code;	112
The enterprise zone credits under section 5709.65 of the	113
Revised Code;	114
The research and development credit under section 5747.331	115
of the Revised Code;	116
The credit for rehabilitating a historic building under	117
section 5747.76 of the Revised Code;	118
The nonresident credit under division (A) of section	119
5747.05 of the Revised Code;	120
The credit for a resident's out-of-state income under	121
division (B) of section 5747.05 of the Revised Code;	122
The refundable motion picture and broadway theatrical	123
production credit under section 5747.66 of the Revised Code;	124
The refundable jobs creation credit or job retention	125
credit under division (A) of section 5747.058 of the Revised	126
Code;	127

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The refundable credit for taxes paid by a qualifying 128 entity granted under section 5747.059 of the Revised Code; 129

The refundable credits for taxes paid by a qualifying130pass-through entity granted under division (I) of section1315747.08 of the Revised Code;132

The refundable credit under section 5747.80 of the Revised133Code for losses on loans made to the Ohio venture capital134program under sections 150.01 to 150.10 of the Revised Code;135

The refundable credit for rehabilitating a historic136building under section 5747.76 of the Revised Code.137

(B) For any credit, except the refundable credits 138 enumerated in this section and the credit granted under division 139 (H) of section 5747.08 of the Revised Code, the amount of the 140 credit for a taxable year shall not exceed the taxpayer's 141 aggregate amount of tax due under section 5747.02 of the Revised 142 Code, after allowing for any other credit that precedes it in 143 the order required under this section. Any excess amount of a 144 particular credit may be carried forward if authorized under the 145 section creating that credit. Nothing in this chapter shall be 146 construed to allow a taxpayer to claim, directly or indirectly, 147 a credit more than once for a taxable year. 148

Sec. 5751.55. There is hereby allowed a nonrefundable 149 credit against the tax levied under section 5751.02 of the 150 Revised <u>Code for a taxpayer issued a tax credit certificate</u> 151 under section 122.078 of the Revised Code. The credit shall 152 equal the dollar amount indicated on the certificate. The credit 153 shall be claimed for the taxpayer's tax period that includes the 154 last day of the calendar year in which the sales that are the 155 156 basis of the credit are made.

The taxpayer shall claim the credit in the order required	157
by section 5751.98 of the Revised Code. Any credit amount in	158
excess of the taxpayer's tax liability, after allowing for any	159
other credits preceding the credit in that order, may be carried	
forward for succeeding tax periods, but the amount of excess	161
credit allowed in any such period shall be deducted from the	162
balance carried forward to the next period.	163
A taxpayer claiming a credit under this section may not	164
claim the credit authorized under section 5747.74 of the Revised	165
Code on the basis of the same tax credit certificate.	166
Sec. 5751.98. (A) To provide a uniform procedure for	167
calculating the amount of tax due under this chapter, a taxpayer	168
shall claim any credits to which it is entitled in the following	169
order:	170
The nonrefundable jobs retention credit under division (B)	171
of section 5751.50 of the Revised Code;	172
The nonrefundable credit for qualified research expenses	173
under division (B) of section 5751.51 of the Revised Code;	174
The nonrefundable credit for a borrower's qualified	175
research and development loan payments under division (B) of	176
section 5751.52 of the Revised Code;	177
The nonrefundable credit for the sale of higher ethanol	178
blend motor fuel under section 5751.55 of the Revised Code;	179
The nonrefundable credit for calendar years 2010 to 2029	180
for unused net operating losses under division (B) of section	181
5751.53 of the Revised Code;	
The refundable motion picture and broadway theatrical	183
production credit under section 5751.54 of the Revised Code;	184

The refundable jobs creation credit or job retention185credit under division (A) of section 5751.50 of the Revised186Code;187

The refundable credit for calendar year 2030 for unused188net operating losses under division (C) of section 5751.53 of189the Revised Code.190

(B) For any credit except the refundable credits
enumerated in this section, the amount of the credit for a tax
period shall not exceed the tax due after allowing for any other
credit that precedes it in the order required under this
section. Any excess amount of a particular credit may be carried
forward if authorized under the section creating the credit.

Section 2. That existing sections 5747.98 and 5751.98 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.

Section 3. Pursuant to division (G) of section 5703.95 of 199 the Revised Code, which states that any bill introduced in the 200 House of Representatives or the Senate that proposes to enact or 201 modify one or more tax expenditures should include a statement 202 explaining the objectives of the tax expenditure or its 203 modification and the sponsor's intent in proposing the tax 204 expenditure or its modification: 205

The objective of this act is to expand Ohioans' access to 206 high-blend biofuels. The temporary credit is designed to offset 207 the infrastructure costs that retailers incur to bring the 208 product to market. Due to upfront costs and industry 209 restrictions designed to limit the offering of competitive fuels 210 in the market place, it is the General Assembly's intent to 211 support the free market and ensure Ohio consumers have a more 212 213 diverse selection of fuel options.

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