



General Assembly

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Amendment

LCO No. 5123

Offered by:

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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. 525 File No. 422 Cal. No. 317
(As Amended)

"An Act Making Changes To Various Sales And Use Tax Statutes And The Admissions And Dues Tax Statutes."

1 After line 810, insert the following:

2 "Sec. 23. (NEW) (a) For purposes of this section:

3 (1) "Qualifying pupils" means individuals who (A) are residents of
4 the State of Connecticut, (B) are under the age of twenty-one at the
5 close of the year for which a credit is sought, and (C) during the school
6 year for which a credit is sought were full-time pupils enrolled in
7 kindergarten to grade twelve, inclusive, at any school in this state;

8 (2) "Qualified education expense" means the amount incurred on
9 behalf of a qualifying pupil in excess of two hundred fifty dollars for
10 tuition at the school in which the pupil is enrolled during the regular
11 school year;

12 (3) "School" means any elementary or secondary school in this state;
13 and

14 (4) "Custodian" means a Connecticut resident who is a parent, or a
15 legal guardian, of a qualifying pupil, provided only one taxpayer may
16 qualify as a custodian for a qualifying pupil in any taxable year.

17 (b) For taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2000, any
18 person subject to the tax under chapter 229 of the general statutes, (1)
19 who is the custodian of a qualifying pupil and (2) in the case of any
20 such taxpayer who files under the federal income tax for such taxable
21 year as an unmarried individual or as a married individual filing
22 separately whose Connecticut adjusted gross income does not exceed
23 fifty thousand dollars and in the case of a taxpayer who files under the
24 federal income tax for such taxable year as a head of household or as
25 married individuals filing jointly whose Connecticut adjusted gross
26 income does not exceed one hundred thousand dollars shall be entitled
27 to a credit in determining the amount of tax liability under said
28 chapter in an amount equal to twenty-five per cent of the qualified
29 education expense, or five hundred dollars, whichever is less.

30 (c) The credit may only be used to reduce such qualifying taxpayer's
31 tax liability for the year for which such credit is applicable and shall
32 not be used to reduce such tax liability to less than zero.

33 (d) The amount of tax due pursuant to sections 12-705 and 12-722 of
34 the general statutes shall be calculated without regard to such credit.

35 Sec. 24. Section 23 shall take effect from its passage and shall be
36 applicable to taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2000."