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"AN ACT ASSISTING STUDENTS WITHOUT LEGAL IMMIGRATION STATUS WITH THE COST OF COLLEGE."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2019, and applicable to income or*
4 *taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2019*) (a) As used in this
5 section:

6 (1) "Qualified employee" means an employee who is required to
7 work at least thirty-five hours per week;

8 (2) "Qualified employer" means an employer that employs fifty or
9 fewer employees in the state; and

10 (3) "Financial aid package" means financial aid obtained by a
11 qualified employee as a student for attendance at an institution of
12 higher education in this or another state.

13 (b) (1) Commencing January 1, 2019, and in each income or taxable
14 year thereafter, as applicable, any qualified employer that employs a
15 qualified employee and makes loan payments directly to a lender or
16 lenders on a loan included in such qualified employee's financial aid
17 package may claim a credit against the tax imposed under chapter 208
18 or 229 of the general statutes, as applicable. Such credit shall be equal
19 to fifty per cent of the amount of the actual monthly loan payment
20 made by such employer on the loan, multiplied by the number of
21 months during the income or taxable year, as applicable, such
22 employer made loan payments on behalf of the qualified employee
23 during the term of employment.

24 (2) A qualified employer may claim a credit under this subsection
25 for loan payments actually made to a relevant lender or lenders only
26 with respect to (A) loans that are part of a qualified employee's
27 financial aid package, and (B) loan payment amounts paid by the
28 qualified employer during that part of the income or taxable year, as
29 applicable, that the qualified employee worked in the state, provided a
30 qualified employee who worked in the state for any part of a month
31 shall be deemed to have worked in the state for the entire month. Any
32 payment of loan amounts in excess of the amounts due during the
33 income or taxable year, as applicable, shall not qualify for the credit.

34 (3) Refinanced or consolidated loans that are part of the qualified
35 employee's financial aid package are eligible for the credit under this
36 subsection if the refinanced or consolidated loan remains separate
37 from other debt, except for debt incurred in an educational program,
38 but only in proportion to the portion of the loan payments that are
39 otherwise eligible under this section.

40 (4) A qualified employer may not claim the credit under this
41 subsection (A) with respect to months of the income or taxable year, as
42 applicable, during which the employee was not a qualified employee,
43 or (B) for more than three years with respect to any specific qualified
44 employee.

45 (c) A qualified employer that claims the credit under subsection (b)
46 of this section shall provide any documentation required by the
47 Commissioner of Revenue Services in a form and manner prescribed
48 by said commissioner."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2019, and applicable to income or taxable years commencing on or after January 1, 2019</i>	New section