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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## HOUSE BILL NO. 630

## BY REVENUE AND TAXATION COMMITTEE

AN ACT RELATING TO INCOME TAX CREDITS FOR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS; PROVIDING 2 LEGISLATIVE INTENT; AMENDING SECTION 63-3029A, IDAHO CODE, TO INCREASE 3 THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF THE INCOME TAX CREDIT THAT INDIVIDUAL AND 4 CORPORATE TAXPAYERS MAY RECEIVE, TO EXPAND THE NUMBER OF ENTITIES THAT 5 MAY RECEIVE DONATIONS TO QUALIFY FOR THE INCOME TAX CREDIT AND TO DEFINE 6 "CONTRIBUTION"; REPEALING SECTION 63-3029A, IDAHO CODE, RELATING TO AN 7 INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS; AMENDING CHAPTER 30, 8 TITLE 63, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 63-3029A, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE AN INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS; AND 10 PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES. 11

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the Legislature that trustee and benefit payments for the fiscal year July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011, and for fiscal years thereafter for the Council for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, the Developmental Disabilities Council, the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired, the Commission on Hispanic Affairs, and the State Independent Living Council be increased by contributions received by those entities pursuant to Section 2 of this act.

SECTION 2. That Section 63-3029A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

63-3029A. INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS LIMITATION. At the election of the taxpayer, there shall be allowed, subject to the applicable limitations provided herein, as a credit against the income tax imposed by chapter 30, title 63, Idaho Code, an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the aggregate amount of charitable contributions made by such taxpayer during the year to a nonprofit corporation, fund, foundation, trust, or association organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of institutions of higher learning located within the state of Idaho, including a university related research park, to nonprofit private or public institutions of elementary, secondary, or higher education or their foundations located within the state of Idaho, to Idaho education public broadcast system foundations within the state of Idaho, to the Idaho state historical society or its foundation, to the council for the deaf and hard of hearing, to the developmental disabilities council, to the commission for the blind and visually impaired, to the commission on hispanic affairs, to the state independent living council, to the Idaho commission for libraries and to public libraries or their foundations and library districts or their foundations located within the state of Idaho, and to nonprofit public or private museums or their foundations located within the state of Idaho.

(1) In the case of a taxpayer other than a corporation, the amount allowable as a credit under this section for any taxable year shall not exceed twenty fifty percent ( $\frac{25}{0}$ %) of such taxpayer's total income tax liability imposed by section 63-3024, Idaho Code, for the year, or the one five hundred dollars ( $\frac{15}{0}$ 00), whichever is less.

(2) In the case of a corporation, the amount allowable as a credit under this section for any taxable year shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of such corporation's total income or franchise tax liability imposed by sections 63-3025 and 63-3025A, Idaho Code, for the year, or  $\frac{1}{100}$  thousand dollars (\$\frac{1}{100}\$,000), whichever is less.

For the purposes of this section, "contribution" means monetary donations reduced by the value of any benefit received in return such as food, entertainment or merchandise.

For the purposes of this section, "institution of higher learning" means only an educational institution located within this state meeting all of the following requirements:

- (a) It maintains a regular faculty and curriculum and has a regularly enrolled body of students in attendance at the place where its educational activities are carried on.
- (b) It regularly offers education above the twelfth grade.
- (c) It is accredited by the northwest association of schools and colleges, or by the state board of education.

For the purposes of this section, a nonprofit institution of secondary or higher education means a private nonprofit secondary or higher educational institution located within the state of Idaho, which is accredited by the northwest association of schools and colleges, or by the state board of education. A nonprofit private institution of elementary education means a private nonprofit elementary educational institution located within the state of Idaho and approved by the state board of education.

SECTION 3. That Section  $\underline{63-3029A}$ , Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. That Chapter 30, Title 63, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a  $\underline{\text{NEW SECTION}}$ , to be known and designated as Section 63-3029A, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

FOR TAX CREDIT CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS 63-3029A. INCOME LIMITATION. At the election of the taxpayer, there shall be allowed, subject to the applicable limitations provided herein, as a credit against the income tax imposed by chapter 30, title 63, Idaho Code, an amount equal to fifty percent (50%) of the aggregate amount of charitable contributions made by such taxpayer during the year to a nonprofit corporation, fund, foundation, trust, or association organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of institutions of higher learning located within the state of Idaho, including a university related research park, to nonprofit private or public institutions of elementary, secondary, or higher education or their foundations located within the state of Idaho, to Idaho education public broadcast system foundations within the state of Idaho, to the Idaho state historical society or its foundation, to the Idaho commission for libraries and to public libraries or their foundations and library districts or their foundations located within the state of Idaho, and to nonprofit public or private museums or their foundations located within the state of Idaho.

- (1) In the case of a taxpayer other than a corporation, the amount allowable as a credit under the provisions of this section for any taxable year shall not exceed twenty percent (20%) of such taxpayer's total income tax liability imposed by section 63-3024, Idaho Code, for the year, or one hundred dollars (\$100), whichever is less.
- (2) In the case of a corporation, the amount allowable as a credit under the provisions of this section for any taxable year shall not exceed ten percent (10%) of such corporation's total income or franchise tax liability imposed by sections 63-3025 and 63-3025A, Idaho Code, for the year, or one thousand dollars (\$1,000), whichever is less.

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SECTION 5. This act shall be in full force and effect on and after January 1, 2011. Sections 3 and 4 of this act shall be in full force and effect on and after January 1, 2016.