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to impose a tax of 2.34% on the income of a business that has a larger carbon footprint than the average business of their size and field.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE YMCA YOUTH LEGISLATURE OF MISSOURI

To amend RSMo Chapter 143 that regards taxes having to do with income and to add a section to be known as section 143.2120 and stating the following: all businesses with an estimated carbon footprint of more than the average amount produced by a business of their size and field shall pay a tax of 2.34% of their income. Missouri has many laws for conserving the environment but as of 2019 none that focus on making businesses reduce waste by imposing penalties for producing excess waste.

DEFINITIONS / KEY ISSUES

Estimated Carbon Footprint: How much emissions are estimated to be produced using standard calculation methods used by the EPA Average Carbon Footprint of field and size: How much carbon emissions a certain business is expected to produce by using the University of Berkeley's CoolClimate Network emissions calculator

MAIN BODY OF BILL

Currently the only restrictions businesses have on environmental effect are the Clean air and Water acts which are antiquated and very easy to work around.

Missouri has the 14th largest carbon footprint in the United states. One of the reasons being businesses have very low standards for business' carbon footprint.

This bill will take effect on January 1st, 2021.