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Amendment No. CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 Representative Plakon offered the following: Amendment (with title amendment) Remove lines 688-699 and insert: and must provide other information that the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services department requires. A taxpayer's use of the credit granted pursuant to (k) this section does not reduce the amount of any credit available to such taxpayer under s. 220.186. (4) The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services shall make a determination on the eligibility of the applicant for the credits sought and certify the determination to the applicant and the Department of Revenue. The corporation must attach the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' 15 certification to the tax return on which the credit is claimed. 16 The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services is 104007 Approved For Filing: 3/1/2012 1:10:38 PM Page 1 of 4

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17 responsible for ensuring that the corporate income tax credits 18 granted in each fiscal year do not exceed the limits provided 19 for in this section. 20 (5) (a) In addition to its existing audit and investigation authority, the Department of Revenue may perform any additional 21 22 financial and technical audits and investigations, including 23 examining the accounts, books, and records of the tax credit 24 applicant, which are necessary to verify the information 25 included in the tax credit return and to ensure compliance with 26 this section. The Department of Agriculture and Consumer 27 Services shall provide technical assistance when requested by 28 the Department of Revenue on any technical audits or 29 examinations performed pursuant to this section. (b) It is grounds for forfeiture of previously claimed and 30 received tax credits if the Department of Revenue determines, as 31 32 a result of an audit or examination or from information received from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, that a 33 34 taxpayer received tax credits pursuant to this section to which 35 the taxpayer was not entitled. The taxpayer is responsible for 36 returning forfeited tax credits to the Department of Revenue, 37 and such funds shall be paid into the General Revenue Fund of 38 the state. 39 (c) The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may revoke or modify any written decision granting eligibility 40 41 for tax credits under this section if it is discovered that the 42 tax credit applicant submitted any false statement, 43 representation, or certification in any application, record, 44 report, plan, or other document filed in an attempt to receive 104007 Approved For Filing: 3/1/2012 1:10:38 PM

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45	Amendment No. tax credits under this section. The Department of Agriculture
46	and Consumer Services shall immediately notify the Department of
47	Revenue of any revoked or modified orders affecting previously
48	granted tax credits. Additionally, the taxpayer must notify the
49	Department of Revenue of any change in its tax credit claimed.
50	(d) The taxpayer shall file with the Department of Revenue
51	an amended return or such other report as the Department of
52	Revenue prescribes by rule and shall pay any required tax and
53	interest within 60 days after the taxpayer receives notification
54	from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services that
55	previously approved tax credits have been revoked or modified.
56	If the revocation or modification order is contested, the
57	taxpayer shall file an amended return or other report as
58	provided in this paragraph within 60 days after a final order is
59	issued after proceedings.
60	(e) A notice of deficiency may be issued by the Department
61	of Revenue at any time within 3 years after the taxpayer
62	receives formal notification from the Department of Agriculture
63	and Consumer Services that previously approved tax credits have
64	been revoked or modified. If a taxpayer fails to notify the
65	Department of Revenue of any changes to its tax credit claimed,
66	a notice of deficiency may be issued at any time.
67	(6) (4) The Department of Revenue and the Department of
68	Agriculture and Consumer Services department may adopt rules to
69	implement and administer this section, including rules
70	prescribing forms, the documentation needed to substantiate a
71	claim for the tax credit, and the specific procedures and
72	guidelines for claiming the credit.
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73	(7) The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
74	shall determine and publish on its website on a regular basis
75	the amount of available tax credits remaining in each fiscal
76	year.
77	<u>(8)</u> This section shall take effect upon becoming law
78	and shall apply to tax years beginning on and after January 1,
79	<u>2013</u> 2007 .
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84	TITLE AMENDMENT
85	Remove line 42 and insert:
86	rulemaking authority to the Department of Revenue and
87	the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services;
88	directing the Department of Agriculture and Consumer
89	Services to provide certain information on its
90	website;
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