FACT SHEET

The Farmworker Housing Assistance Program

New Tax Incentives for Farmworker Housing—SB 38 (Lockyer)

The Farmworker Housing Assistance Program created by SB 38 (Lockyer) (Chapter 954, Statutes of 1996) provides two new tax incentives for development and rehabilitation of farmworker housing. Patterned after a successful Oregon program, the law creates a tax credit for commercial lending institutions that provide below market rate loans for farmworker housing and a tax credit for developers who build or rehabilitate farmworker housing. The lender credit is equal to 50% of the difference between a market rate of interest and the actual interest earned on a below market rate loan to finance farmworker housing. The developer credit is equal to 50% of the cost incurred to complete a farmworker housing development. Legislation to create these farmworker tax credits was originally carried by Assemblymember Cruz Bustmante (D-Fresno) in AB 2664 and AB 17**2**1, but those provisions were incorporated into SB 38.

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS

Eligibility: SB 38 authorizes the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (TCAC) to allocate a total of \$500,000 each year for lender and developer tax credits for farmworker housing. Any unallocated credits may be carried over to subsequent years. The credits are limited to housing for farmworkers and their households, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 1140.4 of the Labor Code and Section 7602 of Title 25 of the California Code of Regulations. The credits can be used for development or rehabilitation of both seasonal and year-round farmworker housing. The housing need not be limited to farmworkers employed by the property owner. The housing may be utilized for up to 60 days by nonfarmworkers in the event of natural disaster. Before claiming the credit, the taxpayer must provide TCAC with a copy of a current Employee Housing Act permit to operate issued by the State Department of Housing. Where the housing is designed and operated as a dormitory, the owner and operator may restrict occupancy by sex. In awarding credits, TCAC must give preference to proposed farmworker housing that is designed and operated for families. The law provides that farmworker housing assisted by these tax credits is not low-rent housing as defined by Article 34 of the State Constitution. The law deems all housing assisted by these tax credits to be subject to the Employee Housing Act, regardless of the number of dwelling units or whether the owner is otherwise exempt from that Act.

Regulatory Agreement: The owner of the farmworker housing must enter into a regulatory agreement with TCAC to ensure compliance with the law. The agreement must include (a) the location, number of units and rents; (b) a requirement for an annual report by the owner covering occupancy, income, and maintenance information; (c) provision for state approval of any transfer of the housing; (d) a requirement that the regulatory agreement be recorded; (e) a provision permitting TCAC, the city or county or tenants to enforce the terms of the agreement; and (f) provisions defining how af-

fordable rents will be established and maintained. The agreement can be subordinated, when required, to a lien of any lender to the project.

Eligible Costs: The expenditures upon which the amount of the farmworker housing tax credit can be based are limited to those costs necessary to bring the housing into compliance with the Employee Housing Act. Eligible costs also include general improvement costs such as improvements to ensure compliance with handicap access laws, building and permit fees, and costs related to reducing utility expenses. Eligible costs include costs related to reconstruction, but not costs related to acquisition or refinancing of property or structures. Credits can be taken beginning the first taxable year during which the construction or rehabilitation of the housing is completed and the units are occupied.

Application Review and Credit Allocation Process: In reviewing applications, TCAC will require evidence that: (1) the project's proposed financing is sufficient to complete the project; (2) the proposed operating budget is adequate; (3) the recipient or owner has sufficient expertise and financial capacity to ensure project completion and operation; (4) the project has enforceable financing commitments for at least 50 percent of the total estimated financing of the project; and (5) development fees and soft costs do not exceed a percentage of the eligible basis to be determined by TCAC. TCAC may charge a fee to a tax credit applicant to defray it's costs in administering the program. TCAC may also adopt regulations for administration of the program. Credits will be allocated through a minimum of one competitive funding round per year. Following approval of the application, TCAC will issue a certificate to the taxpayer that states the total amount of the allocated tax credit to which the taxpayer is entitled each year. The taxpayer must: (1) apply to the committee for credit certification prior to the payment or incurrence of costs; and (2) retain a copy of the certification and make it available to the Franchise Tax Board upon request. TCAC will notify the Franchise Tax Board of the names and total amount of credit certified to each taxpayer. The Franchise Tax Board may recapture all of the tax credit plus interest if the credits are secured by fraud or misrepresentation.

SPECIFIC PROVISIONS APPLICABLE ONLY TO THE DEVELOPER CREDIT

SB 38 creates a developer credit equal to 50 percent of all eligible costs paid or incurred after January 1, 1997 to construct or rehabilitate farmworker housing. The construction or rehabilitation must have commenced on or after January 1,1997. No credit is allowed unless the taxpayer first obtains a certification from TCAC that the costs are eligible. The taxpayer must obtain, for approval by TCAC, a construction cost audit and certification of qualified expenditures from a qualified accountant. If the credit exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability, the excess may be carried over to succeeding years until the credit has been exhausted. The owner must agree to maintain the housing in compliance with the law for a period of 30 years. The owner can cease use of the housing prior to 30 years if there is no longer a need for farmworker housing or it is economically infeasible to operate the housing, provided the owner repays a portion of the credit that reflects the balance of years the housing is not used for farmworker housing. The Franchise Tax Board may recapture all of the tax credit plus interest if the credits were secured by fraud or misrepresentation and may recapture a

portion of the credit, without interest, for any period the housing is not used in compliance with the law. If the farmworker housing is damaged or destroyed before the end of 30 years, the owner may continue to claim the credit if he/she commences reasonable action to repair or replace the farmworker housing. The housing may be vacant or occupied, and need not be licensed pursuant to the Employee Housing Act at the time of construction or rehabilitation. A taxpayer cannot take a charitable deduction for the same costs for which the taxpayer claims a developer tax credit.

SPECIFIC PROVISIONS APPLICABLE ONLY TO THE LENDER CREDIT

SB 38 creates a lender credit which permits a bank or financial corporation to claim a tax credit equal to 50 percent of the difference between a market rate of interest and the actual interest earned on a below market rate loan to finance farmworker housing. Market rate of interest is defined as the amount of interest income which could have been collected by the bank or financial corporation had the loan rate been one point above prime, or any other index used by the lender. The credit does not apply to loans with a term of less than three years or to loans funded prior to January 1, 1997. The credit applies only to interest income from the loan and not to loan fees or other charges collected by the bank. The credit is taken in equal installments over a period equal to the lesser of 10 years or the term of the loan. In the case where the credit exceeds the tax liability for any income year, the excess may not be carried over to reduce the tax in any succeeding year. There is no provision for the lender to be held responsible and to lose tax credits if the owner fails to maintain the housing for 30 years. The Franchise Tax Board may recapture tax credits plus interest from the bank only if the credits were secured by fraud or misrepresentation. If the bank sells the loan to another financial corporation, the balance of the credit, if any, can be transferred to the assignee or transferee of the loan, subject to the same terms set forth in the law. A bank or financial corporation may sell or transfer the loan to another entity and retain the right to claim the credit if the bank or financial corporation also retains responsibility for servicing the loan.

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FACT SHEET

Farmworker Housing Tax Incentives

AB 1761 (Bustamante)

Summary: AB 1761 (Bustamante), provides tax incentives for development and rehabilitation of farmworker housing. Patterned after a successful Oregon tax credit program, the tax credits would support the development or rehabilitation of both seasonal and year-round farmworker housing. This bill passed two Assembly policy committees unanimously.

Two Tax Credits:

Lender Credit: The bill creates a tax credit for commercial lending institutions that provide below market rate loans for farmworker housing developments. The credit would be equal to 50% of the difference between a market rate of interest and the actual interest earned on a below market rate loan to finance farmworker housing.

Developer Credit: The bill creates a tax credit for developers who build or rehabilitate farmworker housing. The credit would be equal to 50% of the cost incurred to complete a farmworker housing development.

Cost Limits: The cost of the credits would be capped at \$5 million per year. The lender tax credit would be capped at \$2,500,000 per year; and the developer tax credit would be capped at total of \$2,500,000 each per year for individuals and for corporations. The tax credits would be allocated by the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee. Each of the tax credits would sunset in 2000.

Broad Support: AB 1761 is supported by the California Coalition for Rural Housing, California Farm Bureau Federation, Agricultural Council of California, California Building Industry Association, California Labor Federation, Teamsters, Electrical Workers, Pipe Trades Council and State Treasurer Matt Fong. Last year, AB 397 became the vehicle for a conference committee tax package and was vetoed for reasons unrelated to the farmworker tax credit.

Changes From AB 397: AB 1761 is very similar to AB 397, except that it transfers administration of the tax credits from the State Department of Housing to the Tax Credit Allocation Committee, deletes the donor credit, caps the credits at \$5 million, and streamlines and simplifies the allocation and monitoring process.

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SENATE BILL

No. 38

Introduced by Senator Lockyer and Assembly Member Pringle

(Principal coauthors: Senator Hurtt, Assembly Member Katz, Senator Boatwright, and Assembly Member Takasugi)
(Coauthor: Senator Thompson)

December 15, 1994

An act to add Section 17008.7 to, and to add Chapter 3.7 (commencing with Section 50199.50) to Part 1 of Division 31 of, the Health and Safety Code, to amend Sections 6358, 6366, 6377, 17052.12, 17053.8, 17053.49, 17062, 17072, 17076, 17144, 17250, 17271, 17276, 17507, 19144, 19147, 19148, 19191, 19192, 23221, 23609, 23622, 23649, 24307, 24344, 24358, 24411, 24416, 24424, and 24443 of, to amend, repeal, and add Sections 17151, 18042, and 24611 of, to add Sections 6244.5, 17052.8, 17053.12, 17053.14, 17053.42, 17053.73, 17077.5, 17084, 17134.5, 17138.5, 17141.5, 17150, 17201.5, 17210, 17213, 17218, 17255, 17267,

17279.5, 17330, 17570, 17859, 17860, 18044, 23604, 23608, 23608.2, 23608.3, 23622.5, 23642, 23701z, 24343.3, 24344.7, 24472, 24710, 24903, and 24905.5 to, and to add and repeal Sections 17052.10 and 23610 of, the Revenue and Taxation Code, and to amend Section 1088.5 of the Unemployment Insurance Code, relating to taxation, to take effect immediately, tax levy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 38, as amended, Lockyer. Personal income and bank and corporation taxes Taxation.

(1) Existing law authorizes the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee to administer the low-income housing

tax credit program.

This bill would enact the Farmworker Housing Assistance Program and would express findings and declarations of the Legislature with respect to the supply of affordable housing for transient and resident farmworkers.

Under the bill, the recipient of a tax credit pursuant to the program or the owner of the assisted farmworker housing would be required to enter into an agreement required by the committee to further the purposes of the program, wherein the owner would agree, among other things, that the farmworker housing units assisted with the farmworker housing tax credits would be utilized, maintained, and operated pursuant to these provisions for the compliance term specified by the applicable farmworker housing tax credit statute. The bill also would restrict the availability, occupancy, and use of the assisted farmworker housing, as specified. By requiring that the agreement be recorded in the official records of the county, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The bill also would require the committee to allocate farmworker housing credits on a regular basis in each calendar year during which applications may be filed and considered. The committee would be required to establish application procedures, as specified. The bill also would authorize the committee to charge a fee of tax credit applicants as a condition of submitting an application, or

receiving an allocation or reservation of tax credits, to defray the committee's costs in administering the program.

(2) The Sales and Use Tax Law imposes a tax on the gross receipts from the sale in this state of, or the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of, tangible personal property and provides various exemptions from the taxes imposed by that law. That law provides an exemption from those taxes for the gross receipts from the sale of, and the storage, use, or other consumption of, tangible personal property, as defined, purchased for use by a qualified person, as defined, primarily in any stage of manufacturing, processing, refining, fabricating, or recycling of property, and introduced into the process, as specified. That law also provides that if a purchaser who gives a resale certificate or purchases property for the purpose of reselling it makes any storage or use of the property, except as provided, the storage and use is taxable. and, with respect to specified property for which the use is limited to leasing, the purchaser is allowed to pay the use tax measured by the fair rental value, as defined.

This bill would provide under that law that a lessor of property that is the subject of that exemption, who is a manufacturer of that property, and who leases that property in a specified form, may, in lieu of reporting use tax measured by the rentals payable, elect to pay tax measured by his or her cost price, as defined, of that property if the election is made, as provided.

(3) The Sales and Use Tax Law also provides an exemption for drugs or medicines administered to animal life as an additive to feed or drinking water, the primary purpose of which is the prevention and control of disease of food animals, or of nonfood animals which are to be sold in the regular course of business.

This bill would additionally provide an exemption from those taxes for drugs or medicines, the primary purpose of which is the prevention or control of disease, that are administered to animal life of a kind the products of which ordinarily constitute food for human consumption.

(4) The Sales and Use Tax Law also provides an exemption for aircraft used as a common carrier, as specified, or sold to

This bill would, for income years beginning on or after January 1, 1997, modify those provisions to require the offset amount otherwise computed to be multiplied by a specified percentage.

(29) Counties and cities are authorized to impose local sales and use taxes in conformity with state sales and use taxes. Exemptions from state sales and use taxes enacted by the

Legislature are incorporated into the local taxes.

Section 2230 of the Revenue and Taxation Code provides that the state will reimburse counties and cities for revenue losses caused by the enactment of sales and use tax exemptions.

This bill would provide that, notwithstanding Section 2230 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, no appropriation is made and the state shall not reimburse local agencies for sales and use tax revenues lost by them pursuant to this bill.

(30) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required

by this act for a specified reason.

(31) This bill would take effect immediately as a tax levy. however its provisions would become operative as specified.

The Personal Income Tax Law, by reference to specified federal statutes; conforms to various provisions of federal income tax law. Those provisions allow a deduction for the cost of certain tangible property that would otherwise be required to be capitalized and depreciated. Those provisions provide that the aggregate amount that may be deducted is \$10,000; although the federal provisions were subsequently amended to provide that the amount that may be deducted is \$17,500.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to conform those provisions in the Personal Income Tax Law to the provisions in federal law for taxable years beginning on or after January 1; 1995; by revising the aggregate amount that may be deducted under the state provisions to \$17,500 with respect to property purchased on or after July 1, 1995.

The Personal Income Tax Law and the Bank and Corporation Tax Law allow to qualified taxpayors, as defined; a credit against taxes imposed by those laws in an amount equal to 6% of the amount paid or incurred during the taxable or income year for qualified property, as defined, that is placed in service in this state. These laws provide that qualified property includes tangible personal property for use by a qualified taxpayer, as defined, primarily for the manufacturing, processing, refining, fabricating, or recycling of property; and introduced into the process; as specified.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to extend provisions of the Manufacturer's Investment Credit; relating to special purpose buildings, to include manufacturers of semiconductor equipment.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no

yes. State-mandated local program: no yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to SECTION 1. Section 17008.7 is added to the Health

3 and Safety Code, to read:

17008.7. All housing assisted pursuant to Chapter 3.7 (commencing with Section 50199.50) of Part 1 of Division 31 shall be deemed employee housing, without regard to the number of dwelling accommodations or spaces or whether the owner is an entity exempted pursuant to Section 17024, and shall be subject to all requirements of this chapter.

SEC. 2. Chapter 3.7 (commencing with Section 11 50199.50) is added to Part 1 of Division 31 of the Health

and Safety Code, to read:

CHAPTER 3.7. FARMWORKER HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

50199.50. For the purposes of this chapter:

18 (a) "Agricultural worker" or "farmworker" shall have 19 the same meaning as specified in subdivision (b) of Section 1140.4 of the Labor Code.

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(b) "Compliance period" means, with respect to any farmworker housing, the period of 30 consecutive taxable or income years, beginning with the taxable or income year in which the credit is allowable.

(c) "Employee Housing Act" means Part 1 (commencing with Section 17000) of Division 13.

(d) "Farmworker housing" means housing subject to the Employee Housing Act, and, for the purposes of this chapter, it shall also include projects with less than five dwelling spaces or units in nonrural areas.

(e) "Farmworker housing tax credits" means the tax credits authorized by Sections 17053.14, 23608.2, and 23608.3 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

(f) "Household" has the same meaning as defined in 14 Section 7602 of Title 25 of the California Code of 16 Regulations. 17

(g) "Committee" means the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee as defined in Section 50199.7.

50199.51. The committee shall perform those duties delegated to it pursuant to this chapter and the responsibilities related to receipt by taxpayers of farmworker housing tax credits.

50199.52. All housing assisted pursuant to this chapter shall comply with the following requirements:

(a) Before claiming any farmworker housing tax credits, the taxpayer shall provide the committee with a copy of a current Employee Housing Act permit to operate.

(b) (1) The recipient of a tax credit pursuant to Section 17053.14, 23608.2, or 23608.3 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, or the owner of the farmworker housing assisted pursuant to Section 17053.14 or 23608.2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, shall enter into those agreements required by the committee to further the purposes of this chapter and the applicable farmworker housing tax credit sections.

(2) The owner shall agree that the farmworker housing units assisted with the farmworker housing tax credits shall be utilized, maintained, and operated 40 pursuant to this chapter for the compliance term

1 specified by the applicable farmworker housing tax credit 2 statute.

(c) (1) The farmworker housing assisted pursuant to this chapter shall be available to, and occupied by, only farmworkers and their households. However, in the event of a natural disaster or other critical occurrence, as determined by the committee, the housing may be utilized at the discretion of the owner for households needing shelter for up to 60 days if there are no 10 farmworkers who have submitted an application to 11 reside, or to continue to reside, in the housing. The occupants of the housing need not be limited to 13 farmworkers employed by the property owner.

(2) In addition, where the housing is designed and 15 operated as a dormitory, the owner and operator may restrict occupancy by sex. However, in awarding credits pursuant to this chapter, the committee shall give preference to proposed farmworker housing that is designed and operated for families rather than for single

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(d) The expenditures upon which the amount of the farmworker housing tax credit is based shall be costs paid or incurred only for construction or repairs necessary to bring the housing into compliance with the Employee Housing Act and general improvement costs necessary and directly related thereto, including, but not limited to, improvements to ensure compliance with laws governing access for persons with handicaps, building and permit fees, and costs related to reducing utility expenses, including additional insulation, solar water heating, or similar improvements.

50199.53. The committee shall enter into an agreement with the owner of the farmworker housing to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of the program. The agreement shall be subordinated, when 36 required, to a lien or encumbrance of any bank or other 37 institutional lender to the project. The provisions in the agreement shall include, but not be limited to, all of the

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(a) Provisions establishing the location and number of units or sleeping areas and their rents.

(b) The requirement of an annual report, including occupancy, income, and maintenance information and, if applicable, a copy of a current operating permit issued pursuant to the Employee Housing Act.

(c) Provisions allowing and governing state approval of the assignment, transfer, and assumption of the housing, to ensure that the requirements of this program are binding on successors.

11 (d) Provisions ensuring a term of use at least equal to 12 the compliance period.

(e) A requirement that the agreement be recorded in the official records of the county in which the qualified farmworker housing project is located.

(f) A provision stating that the agreement is enforceable by the committee, and by the city or county in which the farmworker housing is located, and by the tenants as third-party beneficiaries.

(g) Provisions defining how the affordable rents will be established and maintained.

50199.54. (a) In the event that the owner who receives a credit pursuant to Section 17053.14 or 23608.2 of the Revenue and Taxation Code demonstrates, to the committee's satisfaction, that there is no further need for farmworker housing or that it is no longer economically 27 feasible to operate the farmworker housing, the owner shall pay to the Franchise Tax Board a pro rata portion of the credit previously allowed equal to the amount of any tax credit previously allowed, multiplied by the ratio of 31 the number of years not elapsed in the compliance period divided by 30.

(b) In the event that the farmworker housing is damaged or destroyed by a casualty not caused by the 35 owner, the compliance period has not expired, and the owner commences reasonable action to repair or replace the farmworker housing, the taxpaver may continue to claim the credit as if no destruction had taken place.

50199.55. (a) The committee shall farmworker housing credits on a regular basis in each

1 calendar year during which applications may be filed and considered. The committee shall establish application forms and instructions, application filing deadlines, and the approximate date on which allocations shall be made. As a condition of submitting an application, or as a condition of receiving an allocation or reservation of tax credits, the committee may charge a fee to a tax credit applicant to defray the committee's costs in administering this chapter. In review of applications, the committee shall require the following criteria in order to ensure compliance with all provisions of this chapter: 11 12

(1) The project's proposed financing, including tax credit proceeds, shall be sufficient to complete the 14 project.

(2) The proposed operating budget shall be adequate to operate the project for the compliance period.

(3) The recipient or owner shall have sufficient expertise and the financial capacity to ensure project completion and operation for the compliance period.

(4) The project shall have enforceable financing commitments, either construction or permanent financing, for at least 50 percent of the total estimated financing of the project.

(5) Development fees and costs not included in subdivision (d) of Section 50199.54 shall not exceed a percentage of the eligible basis of the project prior to the inclusion of the fees and costs in the basis, as determined by the committee.

(b) Following approval, the committee shall issue a 30 certificate to the taxpayer that states the total amount of the allocated tax credit to which the taxpayer is entitled for each income or taxable year.

50199.56. The committee may adopt regulations in 34 accordance with Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code for the administration of this chapter.

50199.57. The committee shall be responsible for 37 enforcement of the agreement described in Section 50199.55, and shall report promptly to the Franchise Tax

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1 Board any violations of this chapter or the farmworker housing tax credit statutes.

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50199.58. The Legislature finds and declares both of the following:

(a) It is too speculative to determine the income levels of the agricultural workers residing in farmworker housing at any given time, and many agricultural workers earn sufficient income, when they are fully employed, to qualify as persons and families of moderate income.

(b) The farmworker housing assisted pursuant to this 10 11 chapter is not a low-rent housing project, as defined by Section 1 of Article XXXIV of the California Constitution. SEC. 3. Section 6244.5 is added to the Revenue and 13

14 Taxation Code. to read:

6244.5. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of 16 law, a lessor of tangible personal property described in 17 Section 17053.49 or 23649, who is the manufacturer of that property and who leases that property to a qualified 19 taxpayer, as defined in Sections 17053.49 and 23649, in a 20 form that is not substantially the same form as acquired. may, in lieu of reporting use tax measured by the rentals 22 payable, elect to pay tax measured by his or her cost price 23 of that property if the election is made on or before the due date of the return for the period in which the property is first leased. The election shall be made by 26 reporting use tax measured by the cost price on the 27 return for that period. The election shall not be revoked with respect to the property as to which it is made. The 29 lease of that property for which an election is made 30 pursuant to this section shall thereafter be excluded from 31 the terms "sale" and "purchase."

32 (b) "Cost price," as used in subdivision (a), means the 33 price at which similar property has been previously sold 34 or offered for sale. If that property has not been previously sold or offered for sale, then the cost price shall be deemed to be the aggregate of the following:

(1) Cost of materials.

(2) Direct labor.

(3) The pro rata share of all overhead costs attributable to the manufacture of the property.

(4) Reasonable profit from the manufacturing operations which, in the absence of evidence to the contrary, shall be deemed to be 5 percent of the sum of the factors listed in paragraphs (1) to (3), inclusive.

SEC. 3.5. Section 6358 of the Revenue and Taxation

Code is amended to read:

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6358. There are exempted from the taxes imposed by this part, the gross receipts from sales the sale in this state of, and the storage, use, or other consumption in this state

(a) Any form of animal life of a kind the products of which ordinarily constitute food for human consumption.

(b) Feed for any form of animal life of a kind the products of which ordinarily constitute food for human consumption, or are to be sold in the regular course of business.

(c) Seeds and annual plants the products of which ordinarily constitute food for human consumption or are

to be sold in the regular course of business.

(d) Fertilizer to be applied to land the products of which are to be used as food for human consumption or sold in the regular course of business.

(e) On or after January 1, 1997, drugs or medicines, the primary purpose of which is the prevention or control of disease, that are administered to animal life of a kind the products of which ordinarily constitute food for human consumption.

SEC. 4. Section 6366 of the Revenue and Taxation

Code is amended to read:

6366. (a) There are exempted from the taxes imposed by this part the gross receipts from the sale in this state of, and the storage, use, or other consumption of aircraft in this state of, the following:

(1) Aircraft sold to persons any person using such the 34 aircraft as a common earriers carrier of persons or property under authority of the laws of this state, of the United States, or of any foreign government, or sold to any foreign government for use by such that government outside of this state, or sold to persons any person who are is not residents a resident of this state and who will not use activities of the taxpayer within the enterprise zone (as defined in Section 7073 of the Covernment Code) determined as if that attributed income represented all of the income of the taxpayer subject to tax under this part. The

(2) The amount of that attributed income described in paragraph (1) shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Article 2 Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 25120) 25101) of Chapter 17 of Part 11, modified

for purposes of this section as follows: 10

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(A) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 12 1991, and ending on or before December 31, 1996, income shall be apportioned to the enterprise zone by multiplying total business income from the business by a fraction, the numerator of which is the property factor plus the payroll factor, and the denominator of which is 17 18 two.

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(B) "The enterprise zone" shall be substituted for "this state."

(3) The portion of any credit remaining, if any, after application of this subdivision, shall be carried over to succeeding taxable years, as if it were an amount exceeding the "net tax" for the taxable year, as provided in subdivision (k).

SEC. 9. Section 17053.12 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code, to read:

17053.12. (a) In the case of a taxpayer who transports any agricultural product donated in accordance with Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 58501) of Part I of Division 21 of the Food and Agricultural Code, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1996, there shall be allowed as a credit against the "net tax" (as defined by Section 17039), an amount equal to 50 percent of the transportation costs paid or incurred by the taxpayer in connection with the transportation of that donated agricultural product.

(b) If any credit allowed by this section is claimed by 39 the taxpayer, any deduction otherwise allowed under this

part for that amount of the cost paid or incurred by the taxpayer which is eligible for the credit that is claimed shall be reduced by the amount of the credit allowed.

(c) Upon delivery of the donated agricultural product by a taxpayer authorized to claim a credit pursuant to subdivision (a), the nonprofit charitable organization shall provide a certificate to the taxpayer who transported the agricultural product. The certificate shall contain a statement signed and dated by a person authorized by that organization that the product is donated under Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 58501) of Part 1 of Division 21 of the Food and Agricultural Code. The certificate shall also contain the 14 following information: the type and quantity of product donated, the distance transported, the name of the transporter, the name of the taxpayer donor, and the name and address of the donee. Upon the request of the Franchise Tax Board, the taxpayer shall provide a copy of the certification to the Franchise Tax Board.

(d) In the case where any credit allowed by this section exceeds the "net tax," the excess may be carried over to reduce the "net tax" in the following year, and succeeding years if necessary, until the credit has been

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SEC. 10. Section 17053.14 is added to the Revenue and

Taxation Code, to read:

17053.14. (a) (1) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1997, there shall be allowed as a credit against the "net tax," as defined in Section 17039, an amount equal to the lesser of 50 percent of the qualified amount, as determined under subdivision (b), or the amount allocated under paragraph (2) of subdivision (e). 33

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), no credit shall be allowed until the qualified year, as defined in paragraph

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(3) For purposes of this section, the "qualified year" is the first taxable year during which the construction or rehabilitation of the qualified farmworker housing is completed and there is occupancy of the qualified 40 farmworker housing by eligible farmworkers.

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(b) (1) For purposes of this section, the "qualified amount" shall be equal to the sum of all costs paid or incurred to construct, in the case of new construction, or rehabilitate, farmworker housing to meet the requirements of the Employee Housing Act (Part 1 (commencing with Section 17000) of Division 13 of the Health and Safety Code), and any general improvement costs directly related thereto, including, but not limited to, improvements to ensure compliance with laws governing access for persons with disabilities and costs 11 related to reducing utility expenses.

(2) For purposes of paragraph (1), construction or rehabilitation of the farmworker housing shall have

commenced on or after January 1, 1997.

(3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, the qualified amount shall not include any costs paid or

incurred prior to January 1, 1997. 17

18 (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, no credit shall be allowed under this section unless the taxpayer first obtains a certification from the committee 21 that the amounts described in subdivision (b) qualify for the credit under this section and the total amount of the credit allocated to the taxpayer pursuant to the Farmworker Housing Assistance Program. 25

(d) The taxpayer shall do all of the following:

26 (1) Apply to the committee for credit certification prior to the payment or incurrence of costs described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b). 29

(2) Retain a copy of the certification.

(3) Make the certification available to the Franchise Tax Board upon request.

(e) The committee shall do all of the following:

(1) Provide forms and instructions for applications for credit certification, as specified pursuant to the Farmworker Housing Assistance Program.

(2) Accept applications and issue a certificate to the taxpayer that includes a certification as to the qualified expenditures described in subdivision (b) that qualify for the credit and the total amount of the credit to which the taxpayer is entitled for the taxable year. Credits shall be

allocated through a minimum of one competitive funding round per year. 2

(3) Obtain the taxpayer's taxpayer identification number, or each partner's taxpayer identification number in the case of a partnership, for tax

administration purposes.

(4) Provide an annual listing to the Franchise Tax Board, in the form and manner agreed upon by the Franchise Tax Board and the committee, containing the names, taxpayer identification numbers pursuant to paragraph (3), qualified expenditures, and total amount of credit certified to each taxpayer.

(f) For purposes of this section:

13 (1) "Compliance period" means, with respect to any 14 farmworker housing, the period of 30 consecutive taxable years, beginning with the taxable year in which the credit is allowable. 17

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(3) "Employee Housing Act" means Part 1 (commencing with Section 17000) of Division 13 of the Health and Safety Code.

(4) "Farmworker Housing Assistance Program" means Chapter 3.7 (commencing with Section 50199.50) of Part 1 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code.

(5) "Qualified farmworker housing" means housing 28 located within this state which satisfies the requirements of the Farmworker Housing Assistance Program. The housing may be vacant or occupied, and it need not be 31 licensed pursuant to the Employee Housing Act at the time of the initiation of construction or rehabilitation.

(6) "Committee" means the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee as defined in Section 50199.7 of the

36 Health and Safety Code.

(7) "Qualified accountant" means an accountant 37 licensed or certified in this state who is neither an employee of the taxpayer nor related to the taxpayer,

1 within the meaning of Section 267 of the Internal Revenue Code.

(g) No deduction or other credit shall be allowed under this part or Part 11 (commencing with Section 23001) to the extent of any qualified amounts, as defined in subdivision (b), that are taken into account in computing the credit allowed under this section.

(h) The farmworker housing tax credit shall not be

allowed unless the taxpayer:

(1) Constructs or rehabilitates the property subject to 10 11 the covenants, conditions, and restrictions imposed by 12 this section and pursuant to the Farmworker Housing Assistance Program, which shall include, but not 14 necessarily be limited to, a requirement that the taxpayer 15 obtain, for approval by the committee, a construction cost audit and certification of qualified expenditures from a qualified accountant. 18

(2) Subsequent to construction or rehabilitation of the 19 farmworker housing, owns or operates the farmworker 20 housing pursuant to the requirements of this section, or 21 ensures the ownership and operation of the farmworker housing pursuant to the requirements of this section.

(i) The requirements of this section shall be set forth 24 in a written agreement between the committee and the 25 taxpayer. The agreement shall include, but not 26 necessarily be limited to, the requirements set forth in the 27 Farmworker Housing Assistance Program.

(j) In the case where the credit allowed by this section exceeds the "net tax," the excess may be carried over to reduce the "net tax" in the following year, and 31 succeeding years if necessary, until the credit has been exhausted.

(k) (1) In the case of any disqualifying event, as defined in paragraph (2), there shall be added to the "net 35 tax," as defined in Section 17039, for the taxable year in which the disqualifying event occurs, the recapture 37 amount computed under paragraph (3) and the interest amount computed under paragraph (4).

(2) For purposes of this subdivision, "disqualifying

event" shall mean:

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(A) The committee determines that the certification provided under subdivision (e) was obtained by fraud or 3 misrepresentation.

(B) The taxpayer fails to comply with the requirements of the Employee Housing Act, if applicable, the Farmworker Housing Assistance Program, or any other requirement imposed under this section.

(3) For purposes of this subdivision, "recapture

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(A) In the case of any disqualifying event described in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2), the entire amount of

any credit previously allowed under this section.

(B) In the case of any disqualifying event described in 14 subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2), an amount 15 determined by multiplying the entire amount of the 16 credit previously allowed under this section by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of years remaining 18 in the compliance period and the denominator of which is 30.

(4) For purposes of this subdivision, "interest amount"

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(A) In the case of any disqualifying event described in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2), the amount of interest computed using the adjusted annual rate established in Section 19521 from the due date of the 26 return for each taxable year in which the credit was claimed to the date of the payment of the additional tax resulting from the application of this subdivision.

(B) In the case of any disqualifying event described in

30 subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2), zero.

(1) The annual amount of credit granted pursuant to this section and Sections 23608.2 and 23608.3 shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), provided that the aggregate amount of the credit granted 35 pursuant to this section and Sections 23608.2 and 23608.3 for the 1998 calendar year and thereafter may exceed five 37 hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) per calendar year by an amount equal to any unallocated credits under this section and Sections 23608.2 and 23608.3 for the preceding calendar year or years.

(2), (3), or (4) of subsection (d) of Section 613A of the Internal Revenue Code.

(b) Section 43(d) of the Internal Revenue Code shall

apply.

(c) In the case where the credit allowed by this section exceeds the "tax," the excess may be carried over to reduce the "tax" for the succeeding 15 years.

(d) In the case where property which qualifies as part of the taxpayer's "qualified enhanced oil recovery costs" also qualifies for a credit under any other section in this 11 part, the taxpayer shall make an election on its original 12 return as to which section applies to all costs allocable to 13 that item of qualified property. Any election made under 14 this section, and any specification contained in that 15 election, may not be revoked except with the consent of the Franchise Tax Board.

(e) No deduction shall be allowed as otherwise 17 18 provided in this part for that portion of any costs paid or 19 incurred for the income year which is equal to the amount of the credit allowed under this section attributable to those costs.

(f) The basis of any property for which a credit is allowed under this section shall be reduced by the 24 amount of the credit attributable to the property. The basis adjustment shall be made for the income year for which the credit is allowed.

(g) No credit may be claimed under this section with 28 respect to any amount for which any other credit has been claimed under this part.

SEC. 34. Section 23608 is added to the Revenue and Taxation Code. to read:

23608. (a) In the case of a taxpayer who transports 33 any agricultural product donated in accordance with Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 58501) of Part 1 of 35 Division 21 of the Food and Agricultural Code, for income years beginning on or after January 1, 1996, there shall be allowed as a credit against the "tax" (as defined by Section 23036), an amount equal to 50 percent of the transportation costs paid or incurred by the taxpayer in

1 connection with the transportation of that donated agricultural product.

(b) If two or more taxpayers share in the expenses eligible for the credit provided by this section, each taxpayer shall be eligible to receive the tax credit in proportion to its respective share of the expenses paid or incurred.

(c) If any credit allowed by this section is claimed by the taxpaver, any deduction otherwise allowed under this 10 part for that amount of the cost paid or incurred by the 11 taxpayer which is eligible for the credit that is claimed 12 shall be reduced by the amount of the credit allowed.

(d) Upon delivery of the donated agricultural product 14 by a taxpayer authorized to claim a credit pursuant to 15 subdivision (a), the nonprofit charitable organization 16 shall provide a certificate to the taxpayer who 17 transported the agricultural product. The certificate shall 18 contain a statement signed and dated by a person 19 authorized by that organization that the product is 20 donated under Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 21 58501) of Part 1 of Division 21 of the Food and 22 Agricultural Code. The certificate shall also contain the 23 following information: the type and quantity of product 24 donated, the distance transported, the name of the 25 transporter, the name of the taxpayer donor, and the 26 name and address of the donee. Upon the request of the 27 Franchise Tax Board, the taxpayer shall provide a copy of 28 the certification to the Franchise Tax Board.

(e) In the case where any credit allowed by this section 30 exceeds the "tax," the excess may be carried over to 31 reduce the "tax" in the following year, and succeeding 32 years if necessary, until the credit is exhausted.

SEC. 35. Section 23608.2 is added to the Revenue and 34 Taxation Code, to read:

23608.2. (a) (1) For income years beginning on or 36 after January 1, 1997, there shall be allowed as a credit against the "tax," as defined by Section 23036, an amount equal to the lesser of 50 percent of the qualified amount, 39 as determined under subdivision (b), or the amount 40 allocated under paragraph (2) of subdivision (e).

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(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), no credit shall be allowed until the qualified year, as defined in paragraph (3).

(3) For purposes of this section, the "qualified year" is the first income year during which the construction or rehabilitation of the qualified farmworker housing is completed and there is occupancy of the qualified

farmworker housing by eligible farmworkers.

(b) (1) For purposes of this section, the "qualified amount" shall be equal to the sum of all costs paid or incurred to construct, in the case of new construction, or 12 rehabilitate, farmworker housing to meet the requirements of the Employee Housing Act (Part I (commencing with Section 17000) of Division 13 of the 15 Health and Safety Code), and any general improvement costs directly related thereto, including, but not limited to, improvements to ensure compliance with laws governing access for persons with disabilities and costs 19 related to reducing utility expenses.

(2) For purposes of paragraph (1), construction or rehabilitation of the farmworker housing shall have

commenced on or after January 1, 1997.

(3) Notwithstanding any provision of this part, the qualified amount shall not include any costs paid or

25 incurred prior to January 1, 1997.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part. 27 no credit shall be allowed under this section unless the taxpayer first obtains a certification from the committee that the amounts described in subdivision (b) qualify for 30 the credit under this section and the total amount of the credit allocated to the taxpayer pursuant to the 32 Farmworker Housing Assistance Program.

(d) The taxpayer shall do all of the following:

(1) Apply to the committee for credit certification prior to the payment or incurrence of costs described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b).

(2) Retain a copy of the certification.

(3) Make the certification available to the Franchise Tax Board upon request.

(e) The committee shall do all of the following:

(1) Provide forms and instructions for applications for credit certification, as specified pursuant to the Farmworker Housing Assistance Program.

(2) Accept applications and issue a certificate to the taxpayer that includes a certification as to the qualified expenditures described in subdivision (b) that qualify for the credit and the total amount of the credit to which the taxpaver is entitled for the income year. Credits shall be allocated through a minimum of one competitive funding 10 round per year.

(3) Obtain the taxpayer's taxpayer identification 12 number, or each shareholder's taxpayer identification 13 number in the case of an S corporation, for tax

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(4) Provide an annual listing to the Franchise Tax Board, in the form and manner agreed upon by the 17 Franchise Tax Board and the committee, containing the 18 names, taxpayer identification numbers pursuant to 19 paragraph (3), qualified expenditures, and total amount of credit certified to each taxpayer.

(f) For purposes of this section:

(1) "Compliance period" means, with respect to any farmworker housing, the period of 30 consecutive income years, beginning with the income year in which the credit is allowable.

rehabilitate" includes (2) "Construct or 27 reconstruction, but does not include any costs related to acquisition or refinancing of property or structures thereon.

(3) "Employee Housing Act" means Part 1 (commencing with Section 17000) of Division 13 of the Health and Safety Code.

(4) "Farmworker Housing Assistance Program" 34 means Chapter 3.7 (commencing with Section 50199.50) 35 of Part 1 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code.

(5) "Qualified farmworker housing" means housing 37 located within this state which satisfies the requirements of the Farmworker Housing Assistance Program. The housing may be vacant or occupied, and it need not be

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licensed pursuant to the Employee Housing Act at the time of the initiation of construction or rehabilitation.

(6) "Committee" means the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee as defined in Section 50199.7 of the

Health and Safety Code.

(7) "Qualified accountant" means an accountant licensed or certified in this state who is neither an employee of the taxpayer, nor related to the taxpayer within the meaning of Section 267 of the Internal 10 Revenue Code.

(g) No deduction or other credit shall be allowed under this part or Part 10 (commencing with Section 13 17001) to the extent of any qualified amounts, as defined 14 in subdivision (b), that are taken into account in 15 computing the credit allowed under this section.

(h) The farmworker housing tax credit shall not be

17 allowed unless the taxpayer:

(1) Constructs or rehabilitates the property subject to 19 the covenants, conditions, and restrictions imposed by 20 this section and pursuant to the Farmworker Housing 21 Assistance Program, which shall include, but not 22 necessarily be limited to, a requirement that the taxpayer 23 obtain, for approval by the committee, a construction cost 24 audit and certification of qualified expenditures from a 25 qualified accountant.

(2) Subsequent to construction or rehabilitation of the 27 farmworker housing, owns or operates the farmworker 28 housing pursuant to the requirements of this section, or 29 ensures the ownership and operation of the farmworker 30 housing pursuant to the requirements of this section.

(i) The requirements of this section shall be set forth 32 in a written agreement between the committee and the 33 taxpayer. The agreement shall include, but not 34 necessarily be limited to, the requirements set forth in the 35 Farmworker Housing Assistance Program.

(j) In the case where the credit allowed by this section 37 exceeds the "tax," the excess may be carried over to reduce the "tax" in the following year, and succeeding years if necessary, until the credit has been exhausted.

(k) (1) In the case of any disqualifying event, as defined in paragraph (2), there shall be added to the "tax," as defined in Section 23036, for the income year in which the disqualifying event occurs, the recapture amount computed under paragraph (3) and the interest amount computed under paragraph (4).

(2) For purposes of this subdivision, "disqualifying

event" shall mean:

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(A) The committee determines that the certification provided under subdivision (e) was obtained by fraud or misrepresentation. 11

(B) The taxpayer fails to comply with the requirements of the Employee Housing Act, if applicable, the Farmworker Housing Assistance Program, or any

other requirement imposed under this section.

(3) For purposes of this subdivision, "recapture amount" means:

(A) In the case of any disqualifying event described in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2), the entire amount of

19 any credit previously allowed under this section.

(B) In the case of any disqualifying event described in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2), an amount determined by multiplying the entire amount of the credit previously allowed under this section by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of years remaining in the compliance period and the denominator of which is 30. 27

(4) For purposes of this subdivision, "interest amount"

29 means:

(A) In the case of any disqualifying event described in 31 subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2), the amount of interest computed using the adjusted annual rate established in Section 19521 from the due date of the 34 return for each income year in which the credit was claimed to the date of payment of the additional tax resulting from the application of this subdivision.

(B) In the case of any disqualifying event described in

38 subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2), zero.

(1) The annual amount of credit granted pursuant to this section and Sections 17053.14 and 23608.3 shall not

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1 exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), provided that the aggregate amount of the credit granted pursuant to this section and Sections 17053.14 and 23608.3 for the calendar year 1998 and thereafter may exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) per calendar year by an amount equal to any unallocated credits under this section and Sections 17053.14 and 23608.3 for the preceding calendar year or years.

SEC. 36. Section 23608.3 is added to the Revenue and

10 Taxation Code, to read:

23608.3. (a) For income years beginning on or after 11 12 January 1, 1997, there shall be allowed as a credit against 13 the "tax," as defined in Section 23036, for a bank or 14 financial corporation an amount equal to the qualified 15 amount as determined in subdivision (b).

(b) (1) For purposes of this section, the "qualified 17 amount" shall be equal to 50 percent of the difference 18 between the amount of interest income which could have 19 been collected by the bank or financial corporation had 20 the loan rate been one point above prime, or any other 21 index used by the lender, and the lesser amount of interest income actually due for the term of the loan by 23 the bank or financial corporation on those portions of 24 loans used to finance only qualified expenditures actually 25 paid or incurred to rehabilitate or construct qualified 26 farmworker housing.

(2) The credit allowed under this section shall be 28 taken in equal installments over a period equal to the lesser of 10 years or the term of the loan beginning in the taxpayer's income year during which the qualified 31 farmworker housing is completed and there is initial 32 occupancy by eligible farmworkers. In the case where the 33 credit allowed by this section exceeds the "tax" for any 34 income year, the excess may not be carried over to reduce 35 the "tax" in any succeeding year.

(3) The credit shall not apply to loans with a term of 37 less than three years or to loans funded prior to January 38 I, 1997. The credit shall apply only to interest income from the loan and shall not apply to any other loan fees

or other charges collected by the bank or financial corporation with respect to the loan.

(c) The taxpayer shall qualify for the credit by application to and certification by the committee that the expenses qualify for the credit under this section.

(d) The taxpayer shall do all of the following:

(1) Apply to the committee for credit certification prior to the funding of the loan.

(2) Retain a copy of the certification.

(3) Make the certification available to the Franchise Tax Board upon request.

(e) The committee shall do all of the following:

(1) Provide forms and instructions for applications for 13 14 credit certification, as specified pursuant to the Farmworker Housing Assistance Program.

(2) Accept applications and issue a certificate to the taxpayer that includes the credit amount to which the

taxpayer is entitled.

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18 (3) Obtain the taxpayer's taxpayer identification 19 20 number, and each shareholder's taxpayer identification number in the case of an S corporation, for tax administration purposes.

(4) Provide an annual listing to the Franchise Tax 23 24 Board, and in a form and manner agreed upon by the Franchise Tax Board and the committee, containing the names, taxpayer identification numbers pursuant to paragraph (3), qualified amounts, and total amount of credit certified to each taxpayer.

(f) For the purposes of this section:

29 rehabilitate" includes 30 (1) "Construct or reconstruction, but does not include any costs related to acquisition or refinancing of property or structures 33 thereon.

(2) "Farmworker Housing Assistance Program" 34 means Chapter 3.7 (commencing with Section 50199.50) of Part 1 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code. 36

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(4) "Qualified farmworker housing" means housing within the state that meets the requirements of the

Farmworker Housing Assistance Program.

(g) (1) In the event that the committee determines that the certification provided under subdivision (e) was obtained by the fraud or misrepresentation of the taxpayer, there shall be added to the "tax," as defined in Section 23036 for the income year in which the disqualifying event occurs, the recapture amount 10 computed under paragraph (2) and the interest amount 11 computed under paragraph (3).

(2) For purposes of this subdivision, "recapture 13 amount" means the entire amount of any credit

previously allowed under this section.

(3) For purposes of this subdivision, "interest amount" 16 means the amount of interest computed using the 17 adjusted annual rate established in Section 19521 from the 18 due date of the return for the taxable year in which the 19 credit was claimed to the date of payment of the additional tax resulting from the application of this 21 subdivision.

(h) (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), if the 23 bank or financial corporation sells the loan to another 24 bank or financial corporation, the balance of the credit, 25 if any, shall be transferred to the assignee or transferee of the loan, subject to the same conditions and limitations as set forth in this section.

(2) A bank or financial corporation may assign, sell, or otherwise transfer the loan to another person or entity and retain the right to claim the credit granted under this section if the bank or financial corporation also retains

responsibility for servicing the loan.

(i) The annual amount of credit granted pursuant to 34 this section and Sections 17053.14 and 23608.2 shall not exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000). provided that the aggregate amount of the credit granted pursuant to this section and Sections 17053.14 and 23608.2 38 for the 1998 calendar year and thereafter may exceed five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) per calendar year by an amount equal to any unallocated credits from this

section and Sections 17053.14 and 23608.2 for the preceding calendar year or years.

SEC. 37. Section 23609 of the Revenue and Taxation

Code is amended to read:

23609. For each income year beginning on or after 6 January 1, 1987, there shall be allowed as a credit against the "tax" (as defined by Section 23036) an amount determined in accordance with Section 41 of the Internal Revenue Code, except as follows:

(a) (1) For each income year beginning before January 1, 1997, both of the following modifications shall

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(1) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41(a) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "8 percent."

(2) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41 (a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "12

percent."

(b) For each income year beginning on or after January 1, 1997, both of the following modifications shall apply:

(1) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41 (a) (1) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "II

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(2) The reference to "20 percent" in Section 41 (a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code is modified to read "24 percent."

(c) "Qualified research" and "basic research" shall

include only research conducted in California.

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(d) The provisions of Section 41(e)(7)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code, shall be modified so that "basic research," for purposes of this section, includes any basic or applied research including scientific inquiry or original investigation for the advancement of scientific or engineering knowledge or the improved effectiveness of commercial products, except that the term does not include any of the following:

(1) Basic research conducted outside California.