ImagiNE Nebraska Act and Key Employer and Jobs Retention Act

Joint Report to the Legislature, October 31, 2024

Nebraska Department of Economic Development and

Nebraska Department of Revenue

ImagiNE Nebraska Act Reporting Requirements

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-6837 provides:

Reports; contents; joint hearing.

(1) Beginning in 2021, the director and the Tax Commissioner shall jointly submit electronically an annual report for the previous fiscal year to the Legislature no later than October 31 of each year. The report shall be on a fiscal year, accrual basis that satisfies the requirements set by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The Department of Economic Development and the Department of Revenue shall together, on or before December 15 of each even-numbered year, appear at a joint hearing of the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature and the Revenue Committee of the Legislature and present the report. Any supplemental information requested by three or more committee members shall be presented within thirty days after the request.

- (2) The report shall list
 - (a) the agreements which have been signed during the previous year,
 - (b) the agreements which are still in effect,
 - (c) the identity of each taxpayer who is party to an agreement, and
 - (d) the qualified location or locations.
- (3) The report shall also state, for taxpayers who are parties to agreements, by industry group
 - (a) the specific incentive options applied for under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act,
 - (b) the refunds and reductions in tax allowed on the investment,
 - (c) the credits earned,
 - (d) the credits used to reduce the corporate income tax and the credits used to reduce the individual income tax,
 - (e) the credits used to obtain sales and use tax refunds,
 - (f) the credits used against withholding liability,
 - (g) the credits used for job training,
 - (h) the credits used for infrastructure development,
 - (i) the number of jobs created under the act,
 - (j) the expansion of capital investment,
 - (k) the estimated wage levels of jobs created under the act subsequent to the application date,
 - (I) the total number of qualified applicants,
 - (m) the projected future state revenue gains and losses,
 - (n) the sales tax refunds owed,
 - (o) the credits outstanding under the act,
 - (p) the value of personal property exempted by class in each county under the act,
 - (g) the total amount of the payments,
 - (r) the amount of workforce training and infrastructure development loans issued, outstanding, repaid, and delinquent, and
 - (s) the value of health coverage provided to employees at qualified locations during the year who are not base-year employees and who are paid the required compensation.

The report shall include the estimate of the amount of sales and use tax refunds to be paid and tax credits to be used as were required for the October forecast under section 77-6839.

- (4) In estimating the projected future state revenue gains and losses, the report shall detail the methodology utilized, state the economic multipliers and industry multipliers used to determine the amount of economic growth and positive tax revenue, describe the analysis used to determine the percentage of new jobs attributable to the ImagiNE Nebraska Act, and identify limitations that are inherent in the analysis method.
- (5) The report shall provide an explanation of the audit and review processes of the Department of Economic Development and the Department of Revenue, as applicable, in approving and rejecting applications or the grant of incentives and in enforcing incentive recapture. The report shall also specify the median period of time between the date of application and the date the agreement is executed for all agreements executed by June 30 of the current year.

- (6) The report shall provide information on agreement-specific total incentives used every two years for each agreement. The report shall disclose
 - (a) the identity of the taxpayer,
 - (b) the qualified location or locations, and
 - (c) the total credits used and refunds approved during the immediately preceding two years expressed as a single, aggregated total.

The incentive information required to be reported under this subsection shall not be reported for the first year the taxpayer attains the required employment and investment thresholds. The information on first-year incentives used shall be combined with and reported as part of the second year. Thereafter, the information on incentives used for succeeding years shall be reported for each agreement every two years containing information on two years of credits used and refunds approved. The incentives used shall include incentives which have been approved by the director or Tax Commissioner, as applicable, but not necessarily received, during the previous two years.

- (7) The report shall include an executive summary which shows aggregate information for all agreements for which the information on incentives used in subsection (6) of this section is reported as follows:
 - (a) The total incentives used by all taxpayers for agreements detailed in subsection (6) of this section during the previous two years;
 - (b) the number of agreements;
 - (c) the new jobs at the qualified location or locations for which credits have been granted;
 - (d) the average compensation paid to employees in the state in the year of application and for the new jobs at the qualified location or locations; and
 - (e) the total investment for which incentives were granted.

The executive summary shall summarize the number of states which grant investment tax credits, job tax credits, sales and use tax refunds for qualified investment, and personal property tax exemptions and the investment and employment requirements under which they may be granted.

(8) No information shall be provided in the report or in supplemental information that is protected by state or federal confidentiality laws

Summary Description

Program Overview

The ImagiNE Nebraska Act (Act) seeks to grow Nebraska by incentivizing businesses to create and retain high-paying jobs in Nebraska, invest capital in Nebraska, and develop the Nebraska workforce. See Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 77-6801 through 6843.

Process and Timeline

The Act allows a taxpayer to earn and use tax benefits based on investment and employment growth at their qualified business location or locations. The first step is to <u>apply electronically</u> and submit an application fee to the Department of Economic Development (DED). Upon receipt of the complete application, an application date is established. Investment is counted from the application date and it establishes the base year against which the number of new employees is measured. Once the DED Director approves the application, a written agreement will be produced and presented to the taxpayer for the taxpayer's signature. The Act sets clear deadlines for achieving these milestones.

The ramp-up period begins at the established application date and goes through the end of the fourth year after the year in which the complete application was filed. The taxpayer has until the end of ramp-up period to meet the new employment and investment requirements under the agreement. The performance period begins the year in which the company meets the required employment and investment levels. This is when the taxpayer receives credits and benefits under the Act. The performance period continues until the end of the sixth year after the year the required increases were met or exceeded. There is a three-year carryover period following the performance period which allows additional time for the use of remaining credits.

Application Levels

There are eight application levels that have varying requirements for investment and employment. Each offers its own set of benefits for obtaining and maintaining the required employment and investment levels at the taxpayer's qualified location(s). To be considered a qualified location, the majority of business activities conducted at a location must fall under one or more eligible NAICS codes or activities listed in the Act. Equivalent employees are calculated based on the requirements and computation formulas in the Act. Investment is calculated based on the value of qualified property, as defined in the Act, incorporated into or used at the taxpayer's qualified location or locations. For the list of qualified activities, relevant definitions and other information on the ImagiNE Nebraska Act, visit imagine.nebraska.gov.

Tax Benefits and Use of Credits by Application Level

When taxpayers meet and maintain required employment and investment levels, they are entitled to the following tax credits and exemptions depending on their application level: wage credits; investment credits; direct refund or exemption of sales and use taxes for qualified property; and personal property tax exemption.

There are many options for using the credits and benefits available under the Act. Wage credits may be used against relevant withholding liabilities. Both wage credits and investment credits may be used to offset income tax, refund sales and use taxes paid, repay infrastructure or job training loans made through the ImagiNE revolving loan program, reimburse qualifying recruitment expenses that result in new employees, and reimburse qualifying expenses for job training and taxpayer-sponsored childcare expenses.

Department of Economic Development

The Act outlines all application requirements. DED, in conjunction with the Nebraska Department of Revenue (DOR), developed an online application where taxpayers can apply. Taxpayers must submit the application and all required information through the online portal. Applicants must also pay the statutorily required application fee for the application to be considered complete. The online application is the first audit measure, as incomplete applications are not accepted.

After submission, DED reviews all application information for completeness and compliance with the program requirements. If DED identifies incomplete or inconsistent information, the taxpayer is given an opportunity to amend the application to ensure compliance with the Act. When the information is complete and all statutory requirements have been met, the application is approved by the DED Director. DED then prepares an agreement to be signed by the director and taxpayer as set forth by statute.

Principal Business Activity and Type of Agreement of Applicants with Signed Agreements, as of June 30, 2024

(Reporting Required by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-6837(3))

Business Activity (under § 77-6818)	Application Type	Number of Companies
(411461 3 77 0010)	Economic Redevelopment Area [5 FTE / \$250,000]	2
	Growth and Expansion [10 FTE / \$1M]	
	Manufacturing Growth and Expansion-Rural [5 FTE / \$1M]	21
(1)(a) Manufacturing	Manufacturing Growth and Expansion-Urban [10 FTE / \$1M]	11
	Modernization [\$50M]	1
	Quality Jobs [20 FTE]	1
	Quality Jobs Investment [30 FTE / \$5M]	9
(4)/1) =	Economic Redevelopment Area [5 FTE / \$250,000]	1
(1)(b) Testing Laboratories	Quality Jobs Investment [30 FTE / \$5M]	1
(1)(d) Truck Transportation	Growth and Expansion [10 FTE / \$1M]	1
	Quality Jobs Investment [30 FTE / \$5M]	1
(1)(e) Insurance Carriers	Modernization [\$50M]	1
(1)(i) Data Processing,	Growth and Expansion [10 FTE / \$1M]	1
Hosting, and Related	Quality Jobs Investment [30 FTE / \$5M]	1
(4)/ -)) (4) (4) (4) (4) (4) (4) (4) (4) (4)	Manufacturing Growth and Expansion-Rural [5 FTE / \$1M]	1
(1)(k) Warehousing and	Quality Jobs [20 FTE]	1
Storage	Quality Jobs Investment [30 FTE / \$5M]	2
(1)(I) Administrative	Growth and Expansion [10 FTE / \$1M]	1
(1)(I) Administrative	Quality Jobs [20 FTE]	4
Management	Quality Jobs Investment [30 FTE / \$5M]	3
(1)(m) Logistics Facilities	Quality Jobs Investment [30 FTE / \$5M]	1
(1)(n) Services on Aircraft	Quality Jobs [20 FTE]	1
(1)(q) Computer Systems	Economic Redevelopment Area [5 FTE / \$250,000]	1
Design and Related Services	Quality Jobs [20 FTE]	3
(1)(r) Financial Services	Growth and Expansion [10 FTE / \$1M]	1
(1)(1) Financial Services	Quality Jobs Investment [30 FTE / \$5M]	2
	Growth and Expansion [10 FTE / \$1M]	2
(2)(a) 75% Exported Sales	Manufacturing Growth and Expansion-Urban [10 FTE / \$1M]	1
(2)(a) 13/0 LAPULLEU Sales	Quality Jobs [20 FTE]	5
	Quality Jobs Investment [30 FTE / \$5M]	4
Total Active Signed Agreem	ents	87

From July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024, DED issued \$6,063,293 in infrastructure development loans.

Agreements Signed, as of June 30, 2024

(Reporting Required by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-6837(2))

The median period between the date of application and the date of agreement is 294 days. This includes days that were statutorily tolled due to time where requests for information were pending with the applicant. The average period between the date of application and the date DED issues an agreement, excluding any tolling period, is 77.26 days.

Name	Location(s)		Projected FTEs	Projected Investment	Year Signed (Fiscal Year Ending June 30)
3M Company and Subsidiaries	600 E. Meigs St.	Valley	45	\$ 76,700,000	2023
Adams Industries, Inc.	1655 Industrial Ave.	Sidney	30	\$ 30,000,000	2023
Ag Processing Inc, a cooperative	1257 37th Rd.	David City	83	\$ 760,000,000	2023
	3653 'M' Rd.	David City			
	Not Yet Assigned (Olive)	David City			
	2801 E. 7th St.	Hastings			
	12700 W. Dodge Rd.	Omaha			
All Pallets, Inc.	208 E. Jackson St.	Fremont	41	\$ 2,000,000	2024
	601 E. Dodge St.	Fremont			
	830 S. Main St.	Fremont			
Alliance Steel, Inc.	111 N. Hastings Ave.	Hastings	10	\$ 250,000	2023
Alpaca, Inc.	1229 Millwork Ave., Ste. 1104	Omaha	20	0	2022
	(aka 1104 N. 12th St.)				
Alpha Brewing Operations, LLC	5401 Alvo Rd.	Lincoln	16	\$ 500,000	2024
ASP MSG Acquisition Co. Inc.	805 West Omaha Ave.	Norfolk	15	\$ 5,000,000	2024
Automatic Equipment Manufacturing Co.	One Mill Road	Pender	5	\$ 1,000,000	2023
BuilderTrend Solutions, Inc.	11818 'l' St.	Omaha	30	0	2024
CapStone Technologies	826 'P' St., Floor 3	Lincoln	10	\$ 1,000,000	2022
Central Nebraska Wood Preservers,	1098 E. Maple	Sutton	5	\$ 5,000,000	2024
Inc.	E. Maple St. and Rd. Y	Sutton			
Champlain Enterprises, LLC	3801 NW 34th St., Bldg. 998	Lincoln	20	0	2024
Citroniq Chemicals, LLC	7264 'L' Rd.	Nebraska City	80	\$ 1,300,000,000	2024
	US Hwy. 75 (10,000 block)	Blair			
Clean Harbors Environmental	1680 S. Hwy. 71	Kimball	80	\$ 180,000,000	2023
Services, Inc.	2247 S. Hwy. 71	Kimball			
	32 14 55 N 1/2 AND SW 1/4 32-14-55	Kimball			
Community Health Development	2027 Dodge St.	Omaha	30	\$ 25,000,000	2024
CompanyCam, Inc.	300 Canopy St., Ste. 200	Lincoln	20	0	2024
Coreslab Structures (Omaha) Inc.	802 Allied Road	Bellevue	10	\$ 1,000,000	2022
DAIPE Inc	105 N. 31st Ave., #210	Omaha	5	\$ 550,000	2024
Douglas Holdings, LLC	2500 E. 23rd St.	Columbus	5	\$ 1,000,000	2022
Eilers Machine & Welding, Inc.	600 E. Commerce Rd.	Lexington	5	\$ 1,150,000	2021
	602 E. Commerce Rd.	Lexington			
Elliott Equipment Company, Inc.	3514 South 25th Street	Omaha	10	\$ 1,000,000	2023
Empirical Foods, Inc.	370 164th St.	South Sioux City	30	\$ 5,000,000	2023
	6001 Dakota Ave.	South Sioux City			
Endicott Clay Products Company	57120 707th Rd.	Endicott	5	\$ 1,000,000	2024
Farmers & Merchants Investment,	238 E. 4th St.	Ainsworth	30	\$ 9,000,000	2022
Inc.	1301 'J' St.	Auburn			
	418 Court St.	Beatrice			
	2071 33rd Ave.	Columbus			
	1850 Grove St.	Crete			
	507 'D' St.	David City			
	1313 'K' Street	Fairbury			
	2008 N. Webb Rd.	Grand Island			
	203 E. Stolley Park Rd. (ATM)	Grand Island			
	321 N. St. Joseph Ave.	Hastings			
	18 W. 23rd St.	Kearney			

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	121 S. 13th St.	Lincoln			
Farmers & Merchants Investment,	1300 N. 48th St.	Lincoln			
Inc. (con't)	1400 'R' St.	Lincoln			
,	144 N. Antelope Valley Pkwy.	Lincoln			
	1550 S. Coddington Ave.	Lincoln			
	1801 Pine Lake Rd.	Lincoln			
	1901 Pine Lake Rd.	Lincoln			
	1918 'O' Street	Lincoln			
	1940 'O' Street	Lincoln			
	2201 Hwy. 2	Lincoln			
	2940 Pine Lake Rd. (ATM)	Lincoln			
	3400 Plantation Dr., Ste. 100 & 200	Lincoln			
	350 Canopy St., Ste. 3A	Lincoln			
	3560 S. 48th St.	Lincoln			
	3606 S. 48th St.	Lincoln			
	3615 S. 48th St.	Lincoln			
	3643 S 48th St.	Lincoln			
	3705 S. 48th St.	Lincoln			
	3800 Normal Blvd., Str. 100	Lincoln			
	3800 Old Cheney Rd (ATM)	Lincoln			
	4243 Pioneer Woods Dr	Lincoln			
	4732 Calvert St.	Lincoln			
	4800 Normal Blvd.	Lincoln			
	5006 N. 27th St.	Lincoln			
	5601 S. 50th St.	Lincoln			
	6001 Village Dr.	Lincoln			
	6801 'O' St.	Lincoln			
	6801 S. 27th St.	Lincoln			
	6811 S. 27th St.	Lincoln			
	840 Fallbrook Blvd.	Lincoln			
	8401 Lexington	Lincoln			
	8501 Andermatt Dr.	Lincoln			
	314 N. 5th St.	Norfolk			
	14400 Davenport St.	Omaha			
	2720 S. 177th St.	Omaha			
	514 'G' Street	Pawnee City			
	220 S. 4th St.	Seward			
	410 Murray	Taylor			
	230 S. Hall & Hwy 20	Valentine			
	828 W. 3rd St.	Wahoo	1		
	502 N. Grant Ave.	York			
Fiserv, Inc.	1345 Old Cheney Rd.	Lincoln	30	\$ 50,000,000	2023
113C1 V, 111C.	10910 Mill Valley Rd.	Omaha	30	Ψ 30,000,000	2023
	1118 S. 72nd St.	Omana Omaha			
	1118 S. 72nd St. 1126 S. 72nd St.				
		Omaha			
	1200 S. 72nd St.	Omaha			
	4444 S. 94th St.	Omaha			
	6855 Pacific St.	Omaha			
	7007 N. 97th Cir.	Omaha			
	7301-7305 Pacific St.	Omaha			
	7302-7330 Pacific St.	Omaha			
	7397 Pacific St.	Omaha			
	805 Crown Point Ave.	Omaha			
	9090 'F' St.	Omaha			
Foundry Fabrication & Supply, LLC	6000 N. 60th St.	Lincoln	10	\$ 1,500,000	2022
Franchise Fastlane, Inc.	16934 Frances St., Ste. 105	Omaha	15	\$ 1,000,000	2021
Fusion Ranch, Inc.	250521 Skyport Dr.	Scottsbluff	5	\$ 1,000,000	2024

Name	Location(s)		Projected FTEs		Projected nvestment	Year Signed (Fiscal Year Ending June 30)
GA Crossings & Railroad Products,	435 164th St.	South Sioux City	20	\$	8,000,000	2023
GetMed Staffing, Inc.	11840 Nicholas St., Ste. 220	Omaha	20		0	2023
Green Plains, Inc.	214 20th St.	Central City	12	\$	65,000,000	2023
	1811 Aksarben Dr.	Omaha				
	4500 S 76th Cir.	Omaha				
H & M Trucking, Inc.	2505 Edward Babe Gomez Ave.	Omaha	20	\$	5,000,000	2024
3 ,	2522 Edward Babe Gomez Ave.	Omaha			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
	4723 S. 36th St.	Omaha				
	5035 S. 36th St.	Omaha				
	5155 S. 36th St.	Omaha				
Hornady Manufacturing Company	108 Apollo Ave.	Alda	5	\$	1,000,000	2023
3 11, 11 1111	8318 W. Old Potash Hwy.	Alda			,,	
	8350 W. Old Potash Hwy.	Alda				
	3625 W. Old Potash Hwy.	Grand Island				
Hughes Brothers, Inc.	210 North 13th Street	Seward	5	\$	1,000,000	2023
Hughes Mulch Products, LLC	15604 Fairview Rd.	Gretna	10	\$	1,000,000	2023
riagnes water riodaets, EEC	15802 Fairview Rd.	Gretna	10	Ψ	1,000,000	2023
	3211 Keystone Dr.	Omaha				
IMSCORP & Subsidiaries	1100 SW 6th St.	Lincoln	10	\$	1,000,000	2024
INISCORP & Substitutines	522 W. 'B' St.	Lincoln	10	Þ	1,000,000	2024
	524 W. 'B' St.	Lincoln				
	524 W. B St. 534 W. 'B' St.					
		Lincoln				
	538 W. 'B' St.	Lincoln				
1571	N/A - Plot Connected to 1100 SW 6th :	Lincoln	120		0	2024
JEZ Investments, LLC	9061 S. 126th St.	La Vista	120		0	2024
	10820 Harney St.	Omaha				
	2525 N. 117th Ave., Ste. 300	Omaha				
IST SI I I I I I	7811 S. 134th St.	Omaha			1 000 000	2022
JST Global, LLC	1800 Pine St.	Dakota City	5	\$	1,000,000	2023
KAAPA Ethanol Holdings, LLC	1205 South 'O' Rd.	Aurora	0	\$	70,000,000	2024
	1220 Lincoln Ave.	Aurora				
	1639 Harvest Dr.	Aurora				
	2103 Harvest Dr.	Aurora				
	6 10 6 Lot 4 Pacific Aurora Sub.	Aurora				
	6 10 6 Outlot 1 Pacific Aurora Sub.	Aurora				
	6 10 6 Outlot 2 Pacific Aurora Sub.	Aurora				
	681 'K' Rd.	Axtell				
	970 25th Rd.	Axtell				
	4270 Turkey Creek Rd.	Elm Creek				
	15 South Central Ave.	Kearney				
	8450 KAAPA Ln.	Minden				
	35955 Navaho Rd.	Ravenna				
Kelley Engineered Equipment, LLC	22010 Fowler Dr.	Gretna	10	\$	2,000,000	2024
Layer Platform, Inc.	440 N. 8th St.	Lincoln	25	\$	260,000	2023
Lincoln Industries, Inc.	1030 SW 6th St.	Lincoln	30	\$	5,000,000	2023
	3801 NW 34th St., Bldg. 998	Lincoln				
	3901 W. Kearney St.	Lincoln				
	525 Garfield St.	Lincoln				
	530 Sumner St.	Lincoln				
	600 W. 'E' St.	Lincoln				
Lincoln Tool & Design Co.	5801 N. 57th St. Cir.	Lincoln	15	\$	6,000,000	2024
Marvel Medical Staffing, LLC	9394 W. Dodge Rd., Ste. 300	Omaha	550		0	2023
McArthur Sheet Metal Works	501 W. 9th St.	South Sioux City	4	\$	2,000,000	2024
Med-Den Funding, LLC	2700 Fletcher Ave.	Lincoln	20		0	2024
	425 Fallbrook Blvd.	Lincoln				
	4701 Innovation Dr., Ste. 200	Lincoln				

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Meridian Clinical Research LLC	2444 W. Faidley Ave.	Grand Island	20		0	2022
	3537 W. 13th St.	Grand Island				
	2115 N. Kansas Ave.	Hastings				
	4600 Valley Rd.	Lincoln				
	1410 N. 13th St.	Norfolk				
	3400 W. Norfolk Ave.	Norfolk				
	3319 N. 107th St.	Omaha				
	3325 N. 107th St.	Omaha				
	3345 N. 107th St.	Omaha				
Metalworks, Inc.	301 'P' St.	Lincoln	10	\$	1,000,000	2023
·	3401 NW 39th St.	Lincoln				
	3721 W. Mathis St.	Lincoln				
	4720 NW 38th St.	Lincoln				
	5150 NW 40th St.	Lincoln				
Midwest Bank NA	606 Main St.	Creighton	10	\$	13,000,000	2023
	701 4th St.	Deshler		·	-,,	
	2655 Jamie Ln.	Lincoln				
	2501 W. Benjamin Aven.	Norfolk				
	2601 W. Cooper Dr.	Norfolk				
	114 W. Main St.	Pierce				
	149 N. Main St.	Pilger				
	302 E. Park Ave.	Plainview				
	105 W. Elm S.	York				
Milan Parent, LLC & Subsidiaries	13801 Industrial Rd.	Omaha	30	\$	5,000,000	2023
man i areng 220 et sazsialanes	15950 W. Dodge Rd., Ste. 100	Omaha		Ψ	3,000,000	2025
	17645 Wright St.	Omaha				
	4526 S. 140th St.	Omaha				
Mutual of Omaha Insurance	9330 State Hwy. 133	Blair	0	\$	473,000,000	2023
Company	6940 'O' St.	Lincoln		Ψ	473,000,000	2023
Company	110 N. 33rd St.	Omaha				
	1111 N. 102nd Ct.	Omaha				
	115 S. 35th St.	Omaha				
	11837 Miracle Hills Dr.	Omaha				
	1302 Farnam St.	Omaha				
	215 S. 15th St.	Omaha				
	3300 Mutual of Omaha Plaza	Omaha				
	3301 Farnam St.	Omaha				
	3565 Dodge St.	Omaha				
	6805 Pine St.	Omaha				
NatureWorks, LLC	650 Industrial Park Dr.	Blair	5	\$	1,000,000	2024
Nebraska Plastics, Inc.	309-509 W. Hwy. 30	Cozad	10	\$	6,000,000	2024
ivebraska i lastics, iric.	600 W. Hwy. 30	Cozad	10	ф	0,000,000	2024
	601 W. Hwy. 30	Cozad				
	T	Cozad				
	716 W. Hwy. 30 800 'M' St.	Cozad				
	N 335.51(AVE) OF LOT 4 TR F 6-1-23	Cozad				
		COZdU				
	(1.20) ACREAGE PART OF LOT 2 N175 FT OF E200 FT	Cozad				
	EXC 25X25 IN NW COR	COZdU				
		Cozad				
	PT SE1/4 LYING BETWEEN HWY 30 & UPRR EXC	Cozad				
Neogen Corporation	4131 N. 48th St.	Lincoln	30	\$	5 000 000	2024
rveogen corporation			30	Þ	5,000,000	2024
North Puring PotCare Company	4616 Pierce Dr.	Lincoln	5	\$	1,000,000	2024
Nestle Purina PetCare Company	2305 State Hwy. 33	Crete)	Þ	1,000,000	2024
NewSter Coursing and Consider LLC	340 Co. Rd. 2300	Crete	-	ď	1 500 000	2024
NewStar Sourcing and Service, LLC	805 S. Union St.	Fremont	6	\$	1,500,000	2024
Nixers Distilled Spirits, LLC	2201 'M' Ave.	Wisner	5	\$	1,000,000	2024

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Norfolk Crush, LLC	Land for Development	Norfolk	30	\$	5,000,000	2023
Norland International, Inc.	1921 SW 6th St.	Lincoln	10	\$	1,000,000	2024
	1941 SW 6th St.	Lincoln				
	2001 SW 6th St.	Lincoln				
	600 W. South St.	Lincoln				
Nova-Tech, Inc.	4705 Gold Core Dr.	Grand Island	5	\$	7,860,000	2022
Novozymes Blair, Inc.	600 S. 1st St.	Blair	50	\$	262,700,000	2023
ORI Great West Holdings, Inc.	1719 S. Locust St.	Grand Island	30	\$	5,000,000	2022
	1100 W. 29th St.	South Sioux City				
	1309 W. 29th St.	South Sioux City				
Orion Advisor Technology, LLC	17605 Wright St.	Omaha	30	\$	5,000,000	2023
	17645 Wright St.	Omaha				
D (1 D 1	11425 S. 84th St.	Papillion	70	*	275 222 222	2022
Perfect Day, Inc.	650 Industrial Park Dr. 10825 Farnam St.	Blair	70 30	\$	275,000,000	2023
Peter Kiewit Sons', Inc. and		Omaha	30	\$	50,000,000	2024
Affiliates	12500 'I' St.	Omaha Omaha				
	12720 'l' St. 12900 'l' St.	Omana Omaha				
		Omaha				
	1450 Mike Fahey St. 1550 Mike Fahey St.	Omaha				
	1607 Cuming St.	Omaha				
	1608 Mike Fahey St.	Omaha				
	1613 Cuming St.	Omaha				
	1622 Mike Fahey St.	Omaha				
	1624 Mike Fahey St.	Omaha				
	3709 Doolittle Plaza	Omaha				
	3809 Doolittle Plaza	Omaha				
	4004 S. 60th St.	Omaha				
	6801 Pine St.	Omaha				
	6805 Pine St.	Omaha				
	6825 Pine St.	Omaha				
	702 N. 16th St.	Omaha				
	816 N. 16th St.	Omaha				
	822 N. 16th St.	Omaha				
	824 N. 16th St.	Omaha				
	11425 S. 84th St.	Papillion				
Phibro Animal Health Corporation	4771 'G' St.	Omaha	10	\$	11,000,000	2024
•	4805 'G' St.	Omaha			, ,	
Premier Claims, LLC	11010 Burdette St.	Omaha	35	\$	7,400,000	2024
Purac America, Inc.	650 Industrial Park Dr.	Blair	5	\$	2,130,000	2021
Quality Clinical Research, Inc.	7909 N. 30th St.	Omaha	5	\$	250,000	2022
Real Estate Equity Exchange, Inc.	1299 Farnam St.	Omaha	750	\$	23,200,000	2022
Reinhart Foodservice, LLC	6720 N. 9th St.	Omaha	42	\$	39,810,000	2024
Reinke Management Company,	1040 Rd. 5300	Deshler	5	\$	1,000,000	2024
Inc. & Subsidiaries	4740 E. 39th St.	Kearney				
Rotella's Italian Bakery, Inc.	6949 S. 108th St.	LaVista	30	\$	8,000,000	2024
	15705 Windsor Dr.	Papillion				
Sandhills Global, Inc.	100 W. Grand Dr.	Lincoln	15	\$	5,000,000	2023
	111 W. Harvest Dr.	Lincoln				
	123 W. Harvest Dr.	Lincoln				
Skillwork, LLC	3738 S. 149th St., Ste. 111	Omaha	78	\$	1,000,000	2022
Source Medical Staffing, LLC	4509 S. 143rd St., Ste. 12 & 13	Omaha	20		0	2023
Specialty Ag Formulations, LLC	1658 Mission Ave.	Aurora	5	\$	1,000,000	2024

Name	Location(s)		Projected FTEs		Projected nvestment	Year Signed (Fiscal Year Ending June 30)
Speedway Motors, Inc.	1401 W. Bond Cir.	Lincoln	30	\$	5,000,000	2023
	151 N. 8th St.	Lincoln				
	201 & 121 Oakcreek Dr.	Lincoln				
	300 & 350 Speedway Cir.	Lincoln				
	340 Victory Lane	Lincoln				
	531 Westgate Blvd.	Lincoln				
	545 W. 'O' St.	Lincoln				
	599 Oakcreek Drive.	Lincoln				
	610 'L' Street	Lincoln				
Strobel Fabrication, LLC	913 17th Ave.	Central City	50	\$	3,000,000	2022
Summit Medical Staffing, LLC	916 E. 23rd St.	Fremont	20		0	2024
Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC	4111 Gibson Rd.	Omaha	15	\$	17,000,000	2023
Talent Plus, Inc.	5270 NW 84th St.	Lincoln	10	\$	1,000,000	2024
	6700 Pioneers Blvd.	Lincoln				
	Not Yet Assigned	Lincoln				
	Not Yet Assigned	Lincoln				
	One Talent Plus Way	Lincoln				
TELCOR Topco	1001 Fort Crook Rd. N.	Bellevue	10	\$	1,000,000	2023
	7101 'A' St.	Lincoln				
	7121 'A' St., Ste. 200	Lincoln				
	7141 'A' St.	Lincoln				
Telesis, Inc.	300 S. 7th St.	Lincoln	10	\$	4,000,000	2024
	700 'M' St.	Lincoln				
	729 'Q' St.	Lincoln				
The Strawhecker Group, LLC	11605 Miracle Hills Dr., Ste. 302	Omaha	20		0	2024
West Gate Banshares, Inc.	1004 Cornhusker Rd.	Bellevue	30	\$	5,000,000	2023
	1020 S. 179th Ct.	Omaha				
	1204 W. 'O' St.	Lincoln				
	17617 Manderson St.	Omaha				
	2021 S. 17th St.	Lincoln				
	2037 S. 17th St.	Lincoln				
	2662 Cornhusker Hwy., Ste. 3	Lincoln				
	4955 'O' St.	Lincoln				
	5555 S. 27th St.	Lincoln				
	6003 Old Cheney Rd.	Lincoln				
	8400 Eagle Crest Rd.	Lincoln				
	9775 'Q' St.	Omaha				
Total Active Signed Agreements 87			3,162	\$3,	882,760,000	

Department of Revenue

The Act requires an approved applicant to file a return annually, reporting job and investment growth. DOR has developed Form 1107N and supporting investment and employment workbooks which are required for the annual filing. Reported information can be verified from other data, including other records of DOR and the Department of Labor. The applicant will establish that it has qualified for benefits and, if applicable, failed to maintain minimum levels through the 1107N and verification process. If necessary, DOR can audit the qualified applicant to establish or ensure that the minimum levels are met or maintained.

As of June 30, 2024, taxpayers with agreements have reported:

- earning \$8,133,602 in investment and employment credits,
- creating 246 qualified jobs; and
- expanding qualified capital investment by \$151,698,715.

Taxpayers with agreements have filed to use \$1,845,509 in credits against income tax withholding. Direct refunds have been filed, however, to maintain confidentiality, the information cannot be disclosed in this report.

Personal property tax has been exempted for the value and type of personal property and the business activity of the taxpayers in the counties detailed below.

Property Class and Business Activity	Fiscal Year Iding June 30
(under § 77-6818)	2024
Ag Processing Equipment	
(1)(a) Manufacturing	
Buffalo	\$ 951,309
Hamilton	31,923,798
Kearney	3,148,400
Washington	137,768,858
Total	\$ 173,792,365
Data Center Equipment	
(1)(e) Insurance Carriers	
Douglas	\$ 2,811,583
Total Property Exempted	\$ 176,603,948

DOR estimated sales and use tax refunds to be paid and tax credits to be used for all Nebraska tax incentive programs for the October 31, 2024 meeting of the Nebraska Economic Forecasting Advisory Board are:

Fiscal Year 2024-2025	\$107 million
Fiscal Year 2025-2026	\$110 million

Of these amounts, DED expects \$7 million and \$25 million of the total to be refunds paid and tax credits used under the ImagiNE Act.

ImagiNE Nebraska Act Summary of Tax Incentive Programs in Other States

Reporting Required by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-5731(7)

States offer many types of tax incentives for businesses. This report summarizes other states' tax incentives that are similar to the Nebraska model of granting tax incentives. For example, qualifying for tax incentives under the ImagiNE Nebraska is not dependent upon the location of a project in an enterprise zone or other limited geographic area. Thus, tax incentives that provide jobs or investment credits to businesses, but only to those who locate in a limited area, are not listed. States that offer tax incentives, but have different qualification levels depending upon geography, are listed provided that a project could qualify, at some level, in every part of the state.

States may also limit qualification for incentives to targeted industries. Nebraska does this, and the report lists those states where incentives are limited to targeted activities. Finally, Nebraska refunds the sales and use tax on qualified investments, but some states refund only a portion of the tax. These states are listed as having a refund. Some states have broader sales and use tax exemptions than Nebraska, but do not provide a refund of any taxes paid. Tax exemptions are outside the scope of this comparison, and tax incentives are not listed if they do not provide at least a partial refund of sales and use taxes paid on qualified investment or they have a threshold for the number of jobs created or the amount of investment amount to get the exemption.

The review of the tax incentive programs in other states is as of August 2024. The Nebraska Department of Revenue (DOR) makes every effort to review the current incentive information from other states; however, DOR is not liable for any of the information in this section used for private or public purposes.

Number of states which grant tax credits and exemptions

Job credit: 41 states

Investment credit: 38 states

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: 23 states

Personal property tax abatement: 13 states

Alabama

<u>Job credit</u>: The existing <u>Alabama Jobs Act</u> allows a 3% refund or credit of prior year wages paid to eligible employees with an additional 0.5% credit if 12% or more of the project workforce are veterans. A project must create at least 50 new jobs in a non-targeted county; or 10 new jobs in a targeted county, technology company, or underrepresented company; or create new jobs, but are not subject to the minimum job creation requirements in some industries.

Investment credit: The same number of the jobs are required as the Job credit. The investment incentive is a credit up to 1.5% of the qualified capital investment expenses.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment:

- There is no threshold or limiting investment for a new sales tax abatement project.
- The additional capital investment by an industry that is expanding their current facilities in Alabama must be
 equal to the lesser of
 - 30% of the original cost of the currently existing industrial property or
 - \$2 million
- Data processing centers are eligible to receive abatements as follows:
 - Sales tax abatement for 10 years for projects that invest up to \$200 million.
 - Sales and use tax abatement for 20 years for projects that invest more than \$200 million but less than \$400 million within 10 years.

<u>Personal property tax abatement</u>: Qualifying projects can receive an abatement of the property tax on the real and personal property for up to a 20 years, data centers can be abated up to 30 years.

Alaska

Job credit: None

Investment credit: None

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: None

Arizona

Job and investment credit:

Quality Jobs

- In metro areas, at least 25 jobs must be created with a minimum capital investment of \$500,000.
- In rural areas, at least 5 jobs must be created with a minimum capital investment of \$100,000.
- Both programs require the jobs to pay at least 100% of the median county wage.

Qualified Facility

- Firms must:
 - Make capital investment of at least \$250,000 to establish or expand a facility that devotes at least 80% of its space and payroll to manufacturing, R&D, or headquarters.
 - Create net new jobs of which at least 51% are paid 125% of the state's annual median wage if located in an urban area or 100% of the state's annual median wage if located in a rural area; and
 - o Offer to pay at least 65% of health insurance premiums for all new net full-time employment.

<u>Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment</u>: Firms investing in data centers may be eligible for this. They can get an exemption from the Transaction Business Privilege Tax and Use Tax when investing between at least \$25 million or \$50 million or \$200 million or \$250 million in a data center.

Arkansas

<u>Job credit</u>: Advantage Arkansas Income Tax Credit offers credits for job creation based on payroll of new, full-time, permanent employees.

The credit against state income tax depends on region of state and payroll thresholds:

- Payroll threshold of \$125,000 in Tier 1
- Payroll threshold of \$100,000 in Tier 2
- Payroll threshold of \$75,000 in Tier 3
- Payroll threshold of \$50,000 in Tier 4
- Jobs must pay a wage equal or greater than \$14.94
- Must be engaged in a specific industry as listed

<u>Investment credit</u>: <u>ArkPlus</u> is available in "highly competitive situations" that credits 10% of total investment to state income tax liability by regional tier and level of payroll.

- Tier 1: Minimum investment of \$5 million and minimum payroll of \$2 million
- Tier 2: Minimum investment of \$3.75 million and minimum payroll of \$1.5 million
- Tier 3: Minimum investment of \$3 million and minimum payroll of \$1.2 million
- Tier 4: Minimum investment of \$2 million and minimum payroll of \$0.8 million

<u>Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment</u>: <u>Tax Back Sales and Use Tax Refund</u> program provides sales and use tax refunds for building materials and taxable machinery and equipment associated with approved project.

Personal property tax abatement: None

California

Job credit:

- The <u>California Competes Tax Credit</u> is based on the number of jobs created, opportunity for future growth, compensation paid to employees, and a number of other factors.
- New Employment Credit requires the employer to hire a qualified employee and pay qualified wages.

Investment credit: None

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: None

Colorado

Job credit: <u>Job Growth Incentive Tax Credit</u> is available for businesses creating at least 20 new jobs with wages 100% of county average.

Investment credit: Advanced Industries Investment Credit encourages investments in Colorado, advanced industries businesses by providing tax credits to investors. The investor needs to invest at least \$10,000 to be qualified for this tax credit.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Connecticut

Job credit: None

Investment credit:

- <u>Machinery and Equipment Expenditure Tax Credit</u> allows for 10% credit for increased investment in machinery and equipment for companies with 250 or fewer employees, 5% credit for companies with 251 to 800 employees in Connecticut.
- 5% credit for <u>fixed capital investment</u> in tangible personal property.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: <u>Electronic Data Processing Equipment Property Tax Credit</u> is available for 100% of the personal property tax owed and paid on electronic data processing equipment.

Delaware

Job and investment credit:

- The <u>Blue Collar Job Act</u> Eligible businesses that (1) are engaged in a qualified activity; (2) hire five or more qualified employees; and (3) make an investment of at least \$200,000 (\$40,000 per qualified employee) in a qualified facility. For qualified investments of at least \$1 million in manufacturing, wholesaling, or aviation service, an alternative investment tax credit is available. For telecommunications services and banking, they are required to hire 50 employees and make an investment of \$15,000.
- New Economy Jobs Tax Credit Delaware employers who add a minimum of 50-200 new jobs may qualify for an award of up to 40% of new employee withholdings taxes.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: None

Florida

Job and investment credit:

- <u>The Capital Investment Tax Credit</u> is available for specific industries that create at least 100 jobs and invest at least \$25 million in capital costs.
- Rural Job Tax Credit Program and Urban Job Tax Credit Program are also available for eligible businesses located within designated qualified areas to create new jobs.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Georgia

Job credit:

- Firms creating jobs in specific industries can earn the <u>Job Tax Credit</u> based on the following criteria
 - In tier 1, 2 jobs must be created, which can offset 100% of income tax liability
 - In tier 2, 10 jobs must be created, which can offset 100% of income tax liability
 - In tier 3, 15 jobs must be created, which can offset 50% of income tax liability
 - In tier 4, 25 jobs must be created, which can offset 50% of income tax liability
 - Each credit can be carried forward ten years
- A firm creating jobs that pay higher-than-average wages may qualify for a <u>Quality Jobs Tax Credit</u>. The credit varies by the wage paid. Firms must create at least 10 or 25 or 50 jobs to qualify depending on the Tier status and location.

Investment credit:

- Manufacturers and telecommunication companies that have been in the state for at least three years and making qualified capital investments of at least \$100,000 may qualify for an Investment Tax Credit.
- The size of credit depends on Tier status.
- A Mega Project Tax Credit is available to firms with a minimum payroll of \$150 million or that make a
 minimum investment of \$450 million and hire at least 1,800 net new employees. Companies meeting both
 requirements may claim a tax credit of \$5,250 per job per year for the first five years of each net new
 position.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: None

Hawaii

Job credit: None

Investment credit: None

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: Personal property is not taxed

Idaho

<u>Job credit</u>: <u>The Idaho Tax Reimbursement Incentive</u> is available for a broad range of industries, to be qualified, 20 jobs must be created for rural areas and 50 jobs for urban centers.

Investment credit:

- Idaho Business Advantage a \$500,000 investment in new facilities and creation of at least 10 new jobs paying an average of \$40,000 annually.
- <u>3% Investment Tax Credit</u> Firms that make qualifying new investments may earn an income tax credit offsetting up to 50% of their income tax liability.

<u>Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment</u>: <u>Idaho Business Advantage</u> provides up to a 25% rebate on sales taxes paid for qualifying firms. New <u>data centers</u> will be eligible for sales tax exemption on qualified equipment and construction materials if create 30 new jobs and invest \$250 million within 5 years.

Personal property tax abatement:

• County commissioners may authorize a full or partial property tax exemption when qualifying firms invest at least \$3 million in new manufacturing facilities.

Illinois

Job credit: The EDGE Agreements and High Impact Business Tax Credit allow job creation credits.

Investment credit:

- The <u>EDGE Agreements</u> allow tax credits to firms with more than 100 employees that invest at least \$2.5 million in capital improvements and create the lesser of 10% of world-wide employment or at least 50 jobs.
- For a company with 100 or fewer employees, the company must agree to create the lesser of at least 50 full-time jobs or 5% of the employment in Illinois.
- Qualification for a <u>High Impact Business Tax Credit</u> requires that a business invest a minimum of \$12 million in capital investment causing the creation of 500 full-time jobs, or an investment of \$30 million causing the retention of 1,500 full-time jobs, a qualified new electric generating facility, production operations at a new coal mine, a new or upgraded transmission facility that supports the creation of 150 Illinois coal-mining jobs, a newly constructed gasification facility, or certain wind energy facilities.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: High Impact Business Program allows a state sales tax exemption on building materials and/or utilities, a state sales tax exemption on purchases of personal property used or consumed in the manufacturing process or in the operation of a pollution control facility if eligible projects meet investment and job creation threshold.

Personal property tax abatement: Personal property is not taxed

Indiana

Job and Investment credit:

- The <u>Economic Development for a Growing Economy (EDGE)</u> provides corporate income tax credit to businesses to support jobs creation, and capital investment.
- The Headquarters Relocation Tax Credit allows a credit against the corporation's state tax liability for costs incurred in relocating the headquarters. Annual worldwide revenue must be at least \$50 million, and the corporation must employ at least 75 employees in Indiana.
- The Hoosier Business Investment Tax Credit provides a credit against corporate income tax based on an
 analysis of the economic benefits of the proposed investment and the applicant must demonstrate net new
 jobs added.
- The Economic Development for a Growing Economy Tax Credit provides tax credits for creating net new
 jobs performing tasks not previously performed by the applicant in Indiana using similar criteria to judge
 eligibility.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: Refund of sales and use tax paid on R&D equipment only.

Iowa

Job credit:

- The High Quality Jobs Program requires businesses to meet wage threshold requirements.
- The size of the credit depends on the quality of the job, generosity of health insurance benefits, etc.
- The New Jobs Tax Credit is a credit available to companies that expand their lowa employment base by 10% or more and participate in the New Jobs Training Program.
- This one-time tax credit is dependent on the wages a company pays and the year the credit is first claimed. The maximum credit is \$2,088 per new employee in 2022 and \$2,166 per new employee in 2023.

Investment credit:

- The High Quality Jobs Program requires businesses to meet investment threshold requirements.
- Thresholds are bracketed by investments less than \$100,000; \$100,000 to \$499,999; and \$500,000 and over.
- There is an additional threshold of \$10 million or more.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: Sales tax refunds are associated with the High Quality Jobs Program.

Personal property tax abatement: None

Kansas

Job credit:

- Firms can retain income tax withholding by creating at least ten jobs within two years in urban areas or five new jobs elsewhere in the <u>Promoting Employment Across Kansas program</u>.
- High impact projects that create at least 100 new jobs may be eligible for payroll withholding tax savings.

Investment credit:

- The High Performance Incentive Program allows for a 10% corporate income tax credit.
- Firms must invest at least \$1 million in five metro counties or \$50,000 elsewhere.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: None

Kentucky

Job and investment credit:

- The <u>Kentucky Business Investment</u> program requires participants to create a minimum of 10 new jobs subject to wage and benefit requirements and invest a minimum of \$100,000.
- The <u>Kentucky Small Business Tax Credit Program</u> provides for a tax credit to small businesses that hire at least one person and invest at least \$5,000 in qualifying equipment/technology.

 The <u>Kentucky Reinvestment Act</u> provides tax credits to firms that are engaged in manufacturing and related functions investing at least \$1 million for leased projects and \$2.5 million for all other projects and maintaining 85% of the full-time employment level at the facility.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: Available to participants of the <u>Kentucky Enterprise Initiative Act</u> who invest at least \$500,000.

Personal property tax abatement: None

Louisiana

Job credit: Under the Quality Jobs Program, the employer:

- Must meet a minimum annual payroll threshold for new direct jobs of \$225,000 for firms with 50 or less employees or \$675,000 for firms with more than 50 employees;
- The employer must create a minimum of 5 net new jobs for firms with 50 or less employees or 15 new jobs for firms with more than 50 employees;
- Must be in favored industry, or distressed region, or have 50% of sales out-of-state;
- Receives a reward of a cash rebate up to 6% of annual gross payroll for up to 10 years.

Investment credit: None

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: Sales and use tax rebates are associated with the Quality Jobs Program on capital expenses or a 1.5% investment tax credit for qualifying expenses.

Personal property tax abatement: The <u>Industrial Tax Exemption</u> allows a property tax abatement for industries in certain NAICS codes who engage in new capital investments in the state.

Maine

Job and investment Tax credit:

- Pine Tree Development Zone Tax Credit is available for certain businesses that create new, quality jobs.
- Employment Tax Increment financing program pays businesses that hire 5 or more new 1.35%-3.6% of qualified employee income up to ten years.
- Major Business Headquarters Expansion Program (MBHQ) allows a credit of 2% of the qualified investment for a period up to 20 years if business headquarters are or will be located in Maine and the business makes a qualified investment of \$35 million and employs at least 5,000 full-time employees worldwide, of which at least 25% are or will be based in Maine.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: None

Maryland

Job credit:

- The <u>Job Creation Tax Credit</u> provides a per-job tax credit of up to \$3,000 to businesses that create new jobs, and up to \$5,000 to businesses creating jobs in revitalization areas.
- They must create at least 60 full-time jobs within 24 months, or 10 new jobs in some counties, or 25 jobs in Priority Funding Areas.
- Qualified positions are full-time and pay at least 120% or 150% of state minimum wage.
- The business must be engaged in an eligible activity.

Investment credit:

- The Biotechnology Investment Incentive Tax Credit is allowed to individuals or entities that invest at least \$25,000 in a qualified Maryland biotechnology company.
- The <u>Cybersecurity Investment Incentive Tax Credit</u> is allowed to firms that have fewer than 50 employees and are required to file an income tax return in Maryland.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment:

- The More Jobs for Marylanders Manufacturing Tax credit allows a refund of sales and use tax to new manufacturers who locate in Maryland and existing manufacturers to expand their workforce.
- New and existing manufacturers in Tier 1 counties create 5 jobs.
- Existing manufacturers in Tier 2 counties create 10 jobs.

Personal property tax abatement: None

Massachusetts

Job credit:

- The <u>Economic Development Incentive Program</u> provides tax credits to firms that commit to retaining and/or creating jobs.
- Under the <u>Life Science Refundable Jobs Tax Credit</u>, a business in the life sciences industry that creates at least 50 new jobs may be eligible for a corporate income tax credit. If the value of the jobs credit exceeds tax liability, up to 90% of the remaining credit will be refunded.

Investment credit: Massachusetts Investment Tax Credit offers a 3% credit for qualifying businesses for Massachusetts corporate excise tax used during the purchase or lease of a property.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: None

Michigan

Job and Investment credit: Michigan Business Development Program is available to eligible businesses that create at least 50 qualified new jobs or create at least 25 qualified new jobs if a project is in a rural county or qualifies as a high technology activity or provides investment.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: Personal Property Tax Relief in Distressed Communities allows distressed communities, county seats and certain border county communities to abate personal property taxes on new

Minnesota

Job credit: None

Investment credit:

- Research and Development Tax Credit allows for a 10% tax credit for the first \$2 million in investment, and 4% for investment in excess of \$2 million.
- SEED Capital Investment Credit Program allows for a 45% tax credit on their investment in Minnesota border cities.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: Greater MN Job Expansion Program allows sales tax refunds on the purchases of qualified equipment if employment is increased 10% or at least 2 full time equivalent employees, compensation requirements are met, and the company participates in a traded sector.

Firms that build data or network operation centers of at least 25,000 square feet and invest \$30 million in the first four years of a Data Center Sales Tax Incentives may qualify for a sales tax exemption.

Personal property tax abatement: At the discretion of the city or county government.

<u>Mississippi</u>

Job credit:

- <u>Jobs Tax Credit</u> provides for tax credits with ranges from 2.5% to 10% of payroll for firms in certain industries who create 10, 15 or 20 jobs based on Tier rankings in certain regions of the state.
- The <u>Advantage Jobs Incentive Program</u> provides income tax withholding rebates to firms in certain industries hiring employees that pay above the average wage level of the county and provide basic health benefit plans.
- Qualified businesses that provide an average wage of 110% of the average county or state wage and creates 25 new full-time jobs, or data and information processing firms that pay 100% of the average state or county wage and create 200 new jobs may qualify.

Investment credit: The Manufacturing Investment Tax Credit requires existing participating manufacturers to invest \$1 million in buildings and/or equipment and receive an investment tax credit equal to 5% of the eligible investment.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: The following industries may qualify for sales tax exemptions when given qualifications are met —

- <u>Mississippi Aerospace Industry Enterprises Program</u> that create at least 25 full time jobs and invest at least \$25 million.
- <u>Data centers</u> involving at least 20 new jobs, \$20 million in investment, with jobs paying 125% the average state wage.
- New headquarters that create 20 new HQ jobs.
- <u>Clean Energy</u> businesses that create 250 new full-time jobs and invest \$50 million.

<u>Personal property tax abatement</u>: A number of property tax exemptions may be granted at the local level by county or municipal governments.

Missouri

Job credit:

- The Missouri Works Program allows income tax withholding credits for new job creation 2 jobs and invest \$100,000 at 80% or 90% of county average wage, 10 jobs at 90% county average wage, 100 jobs at 120% or 140% average county wage.
- Missouri Quality Jobs Program Jobs Program provides benefits for companies creating at least 20 new jobs in rural counties or 40 new jobs in non-rural counties within two years. Technology business projects must create at least 10 jobs. High impact projects must create at least 100 jobs.
- The Business Facility Tax Credit Program provides tax credits to facilitate the expansion of their headquarters in the state. The facility must create at least 25 new jobs and make \$1 million investment for headquarters of certain employee-owned business.

Investment credit: The Missouri BUILD Program allows a tax credit for firms in eligible industries who invest a minimum of \$15 million, or \$10 million for an office industry, and create at least 100 jobs, 500 jobs if the project is an office industry, or 200 new jobs for an "office industry" in a distressed location.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: Businesses that create 10 full-time jobs with wages that are at or above 150% of the county average wage and invest \$25 million in a new data center facility within a 36-month window may receive a full 15-year exemption of sales and utility taxes associated with the data center. A 10-year exemption is available for companies that expand an existing data center facility by investing \$5 million within 12 months and creating at least 5 full-time jobs with wages that are at or above 150% of the county average wage within 24 months

Personal property tax abatement: None

Montana

Job credit: Through the <u>New/Expanded Industry Credit</u>, manufacturers who increase employment by 30% are eligible for a tax credit equal to 1% of the total wages paid to new employees.

Investment credit: None

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: No sales tax

Personal property tax abatement: Property tax abatements result in a reduction in the taxable value of the property. There are varieties of incentives available to reduce taxable values or apply a reduced rate.

Nevada

Job credit: See below

Investment credit: See below

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: <u>Sales and Use Tax abatement</u> is available for approved businesses that complete two of the three requirements:

 A capital investment of \$5 million in equipment for industrial or manufacturing facilities or \$1 million for all other facility types in urban areas;

- A capital investment of \$1 million in equipment for industrial or manufacturing facilities or \$250,000 for all other facility types in rural areas;
- 50 urban jobs created or 10 in rural areas, and certain wage requirements must be met.

Personal property tax abatement: <u>Data Center Abatement and Aviation Abatement</u> available with job, investment, and wage requirements.

New Hampshire

Job credit: Coos County Job Creation Tax Credit is awarded to businesses hiring at least one employee for new, full-time positions that pay wages 150% higher than the current state minimum wage.

Investment credit: None

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: None

New Jersey

Job credit: Emerge Program provides businesses that are creating jobs for tax credits ranging from minimum \$500 to \$4,000, depending on the location per job, per year if businesses meet certain job and capital investment requirements.

Investment credit: Angel Investor Tax Credit Program allows businesses 20% of the qualified investment made in a New Jersey emerging technology business up to \$500,000 for each qualified investment.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: None

New Mexico

Job credit:

- High Wage Jobs Tax Credit provides 8.5% of wages and benefits paid for each job created to employers who
 create jobs that pay at least \$60,000 in urban communities and \$40,000 in rural areas.
- <u>Rural Job Tax Credit</u> is available to manufacturers and non-retail service companies that locate in rural communities and create jobs.

Investment credit: New Mexico <u>Investment Tax Credit for manufacturers</u> has no minimum investment threshold specified but companies need to meet the applicable employment requirements.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: Firms can abate personal property taxes through industrial revenue bonds at the discretion of the local government.

New York

Job and investment credit: Firms in the Excelsior Jobs Program may qualify for refundable tax credits.

- Excelsior Jobs Tax Credit: A credit of 6.85% of wages per net new job.
- Excelsior Investment Tax Credit: Valued at 2% of qualified investments.
- To qualify for credits, some certain specific types of firms need to create 5-100 jobs or create at least 150 new jobs and invest at least \$3 million for other types of firms.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: Personal property is not taxed

North Carolina

Job credit:

- The Job Development Investment Grants (JDIG) are available for firms creating opportunities and net increases in employment with no specified minimum threshold for investment or employment.
- JDIG also has a <u>High-Yield Project provision</u> for any firm that creates 1,750 jobs and invest \$500 million.
 Additionally, JDIG has a <u>Transformative Project</u> provision for any firm that creates 3,000 jobs and invest \$1 billion.

Investment credit: The <u>Job Maintenance and Capital Development fund</u> allows grants for businesses that have at least 2,000 employees, and invest at least \$200 million in capital improvements, or have 320 employees, and invest \$65 million for large manufacturing employers.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: None

North Dakota

Job credit: None

Investment credit:

- The <u>Agricultural Commodity Processing Facility Investment Tax Credit</u> allows for a 30% credit on investment in equipment, property, etc.
- <u>Seed Capital Investment Tax Credit Program</u> provides an income tax credit for making an investment in a qualified business. The credit is equal to 45% of the investment.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: A sales and use tax exemption and refund may be granted for machinery or equipment used to produce coal.

Personal property tax abatement: North Dakota exempts all personal property from property taxation except that of certain oil and gas refineries and utilities.

Ohio

Job credit: The Ohio Job Creation Tax Credit is available to businesses that create at least 10 new full-time jobs at a facility in Ohio and pay 150% of the federal minimum wage.

Investment credit: Research and Development Investment Tax Credit provides a credit equal to 7% of the amount of qualified research expenses.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: The <u>Data Center Tax Abatements</u> provide a sales-tax exemption rate and term that allows for partial or full sales tax exemption on the purchase of eligible data center equipment. Projects must meet minimum investment and payroll thresholds to be eligible.

Personal property tax abatement: None

<u>Oklahoma</u>

Job credit:

- The <u>Quality Jobs Program</u> is open to manufacturers and some service firms with new payroll of \$2.5 million or more. A lower payroll threshold of \$1.5 million is available for food processors and R&D projects.
- The <u>Small Employer Quality Jobs Program</u> allows small businesses with 500 or fewer employees that create between 5 and 15 new jobs to receive a 5% cash back incentive for 7 years.
- <u>21st Century Quality Jobs</u> requires the creation of 10 jobs with some annual wage requirements, depending on the county.
- Both programs require minimum wage and health coverage requirements.

Investment credit:

- The Investment/New Jobs Tax Credit package allows qualifying firms to choose the tax credit based on level of investment or new employees. The minimum investment is \$50,000 in depreciable property.
- Quality Jobs + Investment Tax Credit is available for manufacturers who invest at least \$40 million in addition to creating skilled jobs.
- <u>Business Expansion Incentive Program</u> assists Oklahoma firms making major qualified capital investments by giving annual cash payment awards.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: Sales tax refunds are available for qualified activities:

- The purchase of computers and data processing equipment.
- Construction materials for certain new or expanding manufacturing facilities if:
 - construction costs exceed \$5 million and create 100 jobs;
 - combined total costs exceed \$50 million and create 75 jobs;
 - facilities with construction costs exceeding \$300 million and maintain employment level of at least 1,750; or
 - construction costs of at least \$5 million and create 250 jobs for qualified new or expanding aircraft maintenance and overhaul facilities.



Job credit:

- The <u>Oregon Investment Advantage</u> allows a credit to firms who set up operations in an eligible county and create at least 5 jobs in an industry that is "first of its kind" and does not compete with another firm in the area.
- The credit is against income tax liability.
- <u>Business Expansion Program</u> is available for firms that create at least 50 jobs and already have at least 150 employees with some annual pay requirements.

Investment credit: None

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: No sales tax

Personal property tax abatement: None

Pennsylvania

Job credit: Manufacturing Tax Credit provides tax credits to taxpayers who increase their annual taxable payroll by \$1 million through the creation of new jobs.

Investment credit:

- Qualified Manufacturing Innovation & Reinvestment Deduction allows qualified manufacturing firms to deduct 5% of their private capital investment from their corporate net income tax liability if they invest at least 100 million in the creation of new or refurbished manufacturing capacity.
- Rural Jobs and Investment Tax Credit Program is available if firms invest at least \$100 million in rural areas
 of the commonwealth or other states.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: Computer Data Center Equipment Exemption Program provides a tax exemption for sales and use tax paid on qualified computer data center equipment utilized within a facility certified by the Department of Revenue for participation in the program.

Personal property tax abatement: None

Rhode Island

Job credit: Qualified Jobs Incentive Tax Credit allows firms to receive tax credits for up to 10 years. The minimum number of new jobs needed to qualify varies by industry and company size and may be as few as 10 jobs.

Investment credit: Provides for a 10% <u>investment tax credit</u> depending on the NAICS code of the business and meeting certain wage levels or investment amounts.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

South Carolina

Job credit:

- <u>Job Tax Credit</u> is available if qualified firms create monthly average jobs of:
 - 175 jobs;
 - 100 jobs if the average compensation is 1.5 times county or state average, whichever is lower;
 - 50 jobs if the average compensation is 2 times county or state average, whichever is lower;
 - 25 jobs if the average compensation for jobs is 2.5 times county or state average, whichever is lower:
 - 150 jobs in a building that has been vacant for at least 12 months; or
 - 10 jobs in a Tier IV County.
 - For some certain industries creating two jobs could qualify for the Small Business Job Tax Credit.
- To qualify for the <u>Corporate Headquarters Tax Credit</u>, a firm must hire 40 employees that are engaged in corporate headquarters or research and development. At least 20 of these jobs must be classified as staff employees.

Investment credit: Manufacturers locating or expanding in South Carolina may take a one-time credit of up to 2.5% when production equipment is purchased.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: Exemption on construction materials if the company invests at least \$100 million. Technology intensive materials may qualify for exemptions in specified industries if \$300 million is invested and at least 100 new jobs are created. Data centers may earn an exemption if \$50 million is invested and 25 new jobs are created.

Personal property tax abatement: None

South Dakota

Job credit: None

Investment credit: None

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: Personal property is not taxed

Tennessee

Job credit: The Job Tax Credit requires 25 new jobs and investment of at least \$500,000 in a qualified business enterprise or 10 jobs paying the state's average occupational wage in certain areas. Enhanced Job Tax Credit allows an additional annual credit if the company creates 10-25 jobs, depending on Tier level.

Investment credit: Industrial machinery purchases can earn 1% to 10% tax credits.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment:

- HQs receive a non-expiring sales tax credit of 6.5% for qualified personal property.
- Warehouse/Distribution receives a sales tax exemption if investing \$10 million.

- Call Centers receive a tax exemption if at least 250 jobs are created.
- Data Centers can get a sales tax exemption if investing \$100 million and creating 15 new jobs paying at least 150% of the state's average occupational wage.

Personal property tax abatement: None

Texas

Job credit: None

Investment credit: None

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: The sales tax exemption for qualified data centers is available for operators who agree to create at least 20 new jobs and invest \$200 million in the data center over five years.

Personal property tax abatement: None

Utah

Job credit:

- The Industrial Assistance Account requires firms to create at least 50 jobs in urban counties and pay 110% of urban county average wage or 110% of the rural county average wage. Approval from local economic development authorities is required.
- <u>EDTIF Tax Credit</u> provides up to 30% to 50% of the tax credit for firms create new jobs in urban counties and paying 110% of the average county wage or 100% of average county wage in rural counties.

Investment credit: <u>Technology and Life Science Tax Credits</u> allows 35% of the investment to eligible investors of at least \$25,000 and the investor does not have more than a 30% ownership interest in the business entity at the time of investment. <u>New Market Tax Credit program</u> is an effective tool used to attract private capital investment.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: None

Vermont

Job credit: Vermont Employment Growth Incentive Program

- Full-time jobs created and paid 160% or 140% of Vermont minimum wage.
- Credit is a cash payment and not credit against income tax liability.

Investment credit: <u>Investment Tax Credit</u> is designed to encourage investment in rehabilitation, energy, qualifying advanced coal projects, qualifying gasification projects, and qualifying advanced energy project credits. The credit amount is equal to 24% of investment tax credit attributable to the Vermont-property portion of the investment.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Virginia

Job credit:

- The Major Business Facility Job Tax Credit allows qualified companies locating or expanding in VA to receive a \$1,000-per-job tax credit for each new full-time job created. A firm located in a distressed area and enterprise zones must meet 25-job threshold, if located in other areas must meet a 50-job threshold.
- Green Job Creation Tax Credit allows a credit against the Virginia individual or corporate income tax for each new green job created.
- Part of <u>Virginia Economic & Infrastructure Development Grant</u> allows a cash grant if the entity creates at least 25 new jobs. The cash grant range is \$1,000 to \$3,000 per job.
- <u>Virginia New Jobs Program</u> requires firms that have more than 250 employees to create at least 25 new
 jobs and invest at least \$1 million.
- <u>Small Business New Jobs</u> Program requires the companies that have 250 or fewer employees to create at least five new jobs and invest \$100,000.
- Major Eligible Employer Grant allows a grant if employers make a capital investment of at least \$100 million and create at least 1,000 new jobs or 400 jobs if the average pay is at least twice the locality's prevailing average wage.

Investment credit:

- The <u>Commonwealth's Opportunity Fund</u> can be made available in highly competitive situations and requires minimum capital investment, job creation, and wage requirements with matching commitment from the municipality.
- <u>Virginia Investment Performance Grant</u> is available for firms making at least \$25 million in investment and maintaining stable employment levels.
- Major Eligible Employer Grant is available for firms investing at least \$100 million and creating at least 1,000 new jobs or 400 jobs.
- <u>Virginia Economic Development Incentive Grant</u> is available for firms who create 400 jobs paying at least 150% greater than local wage, or 300 jobs at double the local wage, and make a capital investment of at least \$5 million, or \$6,500 per job if a firm locating in a metropolitan statistical area; in other areas need to create 200 jobs and pay 150% greater than the local wage and make a capital investment of \$6,500 per job.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: Virginia offers a qualified <u>data center retail sales and use tax exemption</u> on qualifying computer equipment or enabling software purchased or leased meeting minimum investment and job creation requirements.

Personal property tax abatement: Offered at the local level for certain industries and types of equipment (page 21).

Washington

Job credit: Rural County/CEZ Business and Occupation (B&O) Tax Credits allows firms in specific industries and located in the rural counties to receive a credit when increasing in-state employment by 15%.

Investment credit: None

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

West Virginia

Job credit:

- The <u>High-Tech Manufacturing credit</u> allows firms that manufacture computers and components and create at least 20 new jobs within a year to receive a credit to offset liability in a variety of tax programs.
- <u>The Corporate Headquarters Credit</u> allows tax credits to a firm that relocates the headquarters to the state and creates 15 new jobs including the relocated employees.
- <u>The Economic Opportunity Credit</u> allows a credit to offset income tax liability for firms creating at least 20 new jobs within specified time limits, or 10 new jobs for smaller businesses.

Investment credit: The <u>Manufacturing Investment Credit</u> is allowed against up to 60% of corporate income tax based on qualified investment in eligible manufacturing property, with no new job creation required.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: Special real and personal property tax valuations are available to firms in specified NAICS industries.

Wisconsin

Job and Investment credit: The <u>business development credit</u> is available for job creation and capital investment in Wisconsin. It is capped at 10% of wages and an additional 5% of wages if the eligible employee is employed in a distressed area.

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment: None

Personal property tax abatement: None

Wyoming

Job credit: None

Investment credit: None

Sales/use tax refund on qualified investment:

- \$5 million investment required in capital infrastructure in addition to \$2 million investment in data center equipment and software purchases results in a sales and use tax exemption on qualifying computer equipment.
- \$50 million capital infrastructure investment in data center.

Key Employer and Jobs Retention Act Reporting Requirements

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-6521 provides:

Reports; joint hearing.

- (1) The Department of Economic Development and the Department of Revenue shall jointly submit electronically an annual report to the Legislature no later than October 31 of each year. The report shall be on a fiscal year, accrual basis that satisfies the requirements set by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The Department of Economic Development and the Department of Revenue shall together, on or before December 15 of each year, appear at a joint hearing of the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature and the Revenue Committee of the Legislature and present the report. Any supplemental information requested by three or more committee members must be provided within thirty days after the request.
- (2) The report shall list
 - (a) the agreements which have been signed during the previous calendar year,
 - (b) the agreements which are still in effect, and
 - (c) the identity of each taxpayer that is a party to an agreement.
- (3) The report shall provide information on agreement-specific total credits used every two years for each agreement. The report shall disclose the identity of the taxpayer and the total credits used during the immediately preceding two years, expressed as a single, aggregated total. The information required to be reported under this subsection shall not be reported for the first year the taxpayer maintains the required employment threshold. The information on first-year credits used shall be combined with and reported as part of the second year. Thereafter, the information on credits used for succeeding years shall be reported for each agreement every two years containing information on two years of credits used.
- (4) No information shall be provided in the report that is protected by state or federal confidentiality laws.

Program Overview

The Key Employer and Jobs Retention Act (Act), Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ <u>77-6501</u> through <u>6523</u>, provides a wage retention credit to a key employer who:

- 1) employs at least 1,000 equivalent employees in Nebraska during the base year;
- 2) offers full time employees healthcare and benefits;
- 3) has gone through a change in ownership and control within the 24 months immediately prior to the application;
- 4) was at risk of moving more than 1,000 existing equivalent employees from the State;
- 5) retains at least 90% of their base-year employees, and;
- 6) is a qualified business.

The wage retention credit earned is 5% of the total compensation paid to the taxpayer's Nebraska employees who are paid wages of at least 100% of the Nebraska statewide average hourly wage. The amount of credits cannot exceed \$4 million per year, or \$40 million total over ten years. Credits can be used to offset withholding or income tax liabilities.

Program Activity

In 2021, the Department of Economic Development signed an agreement with Fiserv Inc., and the agreement is currently in effect.

The deadline for applications was May 31, 2021; there will be no additional agreements under the Act without further authorization from the Legislature.

In accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. § 77-6521(3), from July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024, DOR has approved \$4 million in credits under the Act to Fiserv, Inc.