SENATE BILL No. 135

February 1, 2005, Introduced by Senators CASSIS, GOSCHKA, OLSHOVE, McMANUS, HARDIMAN and CROPSEY and referred to the Committee on Finance.

A bill to amend 1967 PA 281, entitled "Income tax act of 1967,"

(MCL 206.1 to 206.532) by adding section 272.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 SEC. 272. (1) FOR TAX YEARS THAT BEGIN AFTER DECEMBER 31,
- 2 2004, A TAXPAYER MAY CLAIM A CREDIT AGAINST THE TAX IMPOSED BY THIS
- 3 ACT EQUAL TO THE CONTRIBUTION MADE IN THE TAX YEAR TO A QUALIFIED
- 4 ORGANIZATION NOT TO EXCEED \$50.00 FOR A SINGLE RETURN OR \$100.00
- 5 FOR A JOINT RETURN.
- 6 (2) IF THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SECTION
- 7 EXCEEDS THE TAX LIABILITY OF THE TAXPAYER FOR THE TAX YEAR, THAT
- 8 PORTION OF THE CREDIT THAT EXCEEDS THE TAX LIABILITY SHALL BE
- 9 REFUNDED.

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- 1 (3) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "QUALIFIED ORGANIZATION" MEANS AN
- 2 ENTITY THAT IS EXEMPT FROM TAXATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 501(C)(3)
- 3 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, THAT WAS ORGANIZED BEFORE JANUARY 1,
- 4 2005, AND THAT ASSISTS IN RELIEF EFFORTS RELATED TO THE DECEMBER
- 5 26, 2004 TSUNAMI IN ASIA AND AFRICA.