HOUSE BILL NO. 6182

September 03, 2020, Introduced by Reps. Hood, Stone, Hoadley, Bolden, Pohutsky, Love, Brixie, Yancey, Camilleri, Brenda Carter, Cambensy, Gay-Dagnogo and Anthony and referred to the Committee on Tax Policy.

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

(MCL 206.1 to 206.713) by adding section 277.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Sec. 277. (1) For the 2020 and 2021 tax years, a taxpayer who
- 2 is a state-certified teacher in, or an employee of, a school
- 3 district that was required to close as a result of a COVID-19
- 4 executive order and who was required to use his or her own internet





- 1 service to provide students with continued learning in accordance
- 2 with the school district's continuity of learning and COVID-19
- 3 response plan may claim a credit against the tax imposed under this
- 4 part to help cover the cost of maintaining internet service. The
- 5 amount of the credit allowed under this section shall not exceed
- 6 \$50.00 for a single return or \$100.00 for a joint return if each
- 7 spouse filing a joint return is a state-certified teacher or an
- 8 employee of a school district who is responsible for providing
- 9 continued learning while the schools are closed.
- 10 (2) If the credit allowed under this section exceeds the tax
- 11 liability of the taxpayer for the tax year, that portion of the
- 12 credit that exceeds the tax liability shall be refunded.
- 13 (3) As used in this section:
- 14 (a) "COVID-19 executive order" means an executive order issued
- 15 by the governor in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) public
- 16 health emergency.
- 17 (b) "State-certified teacher" means an individual who holds a
- 18 valid teaching certificate issued by the superintendent of public
- 19 instruction under section 1531 of the revised school code, 1976 PA
- 20 451, MCL 380.1531.