

1 **ENDOWMENT FUNDS FOR UTAH CHARITIES**

2 1998 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Sponsor: J. Brent Haymond**

5 AN ACT RELATING TO REVENUE AND TAXATION; PROVIDING A TAX CREDIT TO
6 INDIVIDUALS AND CORPORATIONS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO CHARITABLE
7 ENDOWMENTS WITHIN THE STATE; PROVIDING A REPEAL DATE; AND
8 PROVIDING FOR RETROSPECTIVE OPERATION.

9 This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:

10 AMENDS:

11 **63-55b-5901**, as enacted by Chapters 46, 345 and 346, Laws of Utah 1997

12 ENACTS:

13 **59-7-612**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

14 **59-10-131**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

15 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

16 Section 1. Section **59-7-612** is enacted to read:

17 **59-7-612. Charitable endowment tax credit.**

18 (1) As used in this section:

19 (a) "Charitable organization" has the same meaning as set forth in Section 59-18-102.

20 (b) "Qualifying endowment donation" means a donation to a charitable organization which
21 specifies that the donation is to be deposited into a qualifying endowment fund.

22 (c) "Qualifying endowment fund" means any endowment fund established for the benefit
23 of a charitable organization which endowment fund has total assets of \$5,000,000 or less, which
24 is restricted in scope such that all income generated by the endowment fund will be used for
25 purposes, programs, or projects of the charitable organization within the state.

26 (2) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1998, but beginning before
27 December 31, 2002, a taxpayer may claim as provided in this section a nonrefundable credit

1 against any taxes imposed by this chapter, in an amount equal to 20% of the aggregate amount of
2 qualifying endowment donations made by that taxpayer during the taxable year.

3 (3) If the amount of credit under this section for which a taxpayer is eligible exceeds the
4 taxpayer's tax liability for the taxable year, the taxpayer may carry forward for up to five taxable
5 years the portion of the tax credit that exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability for the taxable year.

6 Section 2. Section **59-10-131** is enacted to read:

7 **59-10-131. Charitable endowment tax credit.**

8 (1) As used in this section:

9 (a) "Charitable organization" has the same meaning as set forth in Section 59-18-102.

10 (b) "Qualifying endowment donation" means a donation to a charitable organization which
11 specifies that the donation is to be deposited into a qualifying endowment fund.

12 (c) "Qualifying endowment fund" means any endowment fund established for the benefit
13 of a charitable organization which endowment fund has total assets of \$5,000,000 or less, which
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19 qualifying endowment donations made by that taxpayer during the taxable year.

20 (3) If the amount of credit under this section for which a taxpayer is eligible exceeds the
21 taxpayer's tax liability for the taxable year, the taxpayer may carry forward for up to five taxable
22 years the portion of the tax credit that exceeds the taxpayer's tax liability for the taxable year.

23 Section 3. Section **63-55b-5901** is amended to read:

24 **63-55b-5901. Repeal Date -- Title 59.**

25 (1) Section 59-7-604 is repealed January 1, 2002.

26 (2) Section 59-7-611 and Sections 59-10-601 through 59-10-604 are repealed January 1,
27 2001.

28 (3) Section 59-7-612 and Section 59-10-131 are repealed January 1, 2003.

29 [(3)] (4) Section 59-9-101.1 is repealed January 1, 2001, and the department may not
30 impose an assessment under Section 59-9-101.1 after December 31, 2000.

31 Section 4. **Retrospective operation.**

1 This act has retrospective operation for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1998.

Legislative Review Note
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A limited legal review of this bill raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

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