RELATING TO TAXATION; INCREASING AND INDEXING THE LOW-INCOME COMPREHENSIVE TAX REBATE; INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THE WORKING FAMILIES TAX CREDIT; EXPANDING THE CREDIT TO CERTAIN RESIDENTS WHO ARE INELIGIBLE FOR THE FEDERAL EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT ON WHICH THE WORKING FAMILIES TAX CREDIT IS BASED; REQUIRING WITHHOLDERS OF THE WITHHOLDING TAX TO PROVIDE TO WITHHOLDES INFORMATION REGARDING STATE ASSISTANCE FOR LOW-INCOME NEW MEXICANS FROM THE TAXATION AND REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 7-2-14 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1972, Chapter 20, Section 2, as amended) is amended to read:

"7-2-14. LOW-INCOME COMPREHENSIVE TAX REBATE.--

A. Except as otherwise provided in Subsection B of this section, any resident who files an individual New Mexico income tax return and who is not a dependent of another individual may claim a tax rebate for a portion of state and local taxes to which the resident has been subject during the taxable year for which the return is filed. The tax rebate may be claimed even though the resident has no income taxable under the Income Tax Act. Married individuals who file separate returns for a taxable year in which they could have filed a joint return may each claim only one-half of the tax

- B. No claim for the tax rebate provided in this section shall be filed by a resident who was an inmate of a public institution for more than six months during the taxable year for which the tax rebate could be claimed or who was not physically present in New Mexico for at least six months during the taxable year for which the tax rebate could be claimed.
- number of exemptions for which a tax rebate may be claimed or allowed is determined by adding the number of federal exemptions allowable for federal income tax purposes for each individual included in the return who is domiciled in New Mexico plus two additional exemptions for each individual domiciled in New Mexico included in the return who is sixty-five years of age or older plus one additional exemption for each individual domiciled in New Mexico included in the return who, for federal income tax purposes, is blind plus one exemption for each minor child or stepchild of the resident who would be a dependent for federal income tax purposes if the public assistance contributing to the support of the child or stepchild was considered to have been contributed by the resident.
- D. Except as provided in Subsection F of this section, the tax rebate provided for in this section may be

1	claimed in the amount shown in the following table:								
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6	<u>\$ 0</u>	\$ 1,000	\$ 195	<u>\$ 260</u>	<u>\$ 325</u>	<u>\$ 390</u>	<u>\$ 455</u>	\$ 520	
7	<u>1,000</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>220</u>	<u>315</u>	<u>405</u>	<u>505</u>	<u>570</u>	<u>675</u>	
8	<u>1,500</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>220</u>	<u>315</u>	<u>405</u>	<u>505</u>	<u>570</u>	<u>705</u>	
9	<u>2,500</u>	<u>7,500</u>	<u>220</u>	<u>315</u>	<u>405</u>	<u>505</u>	<u>570</u>	<u>730</u>	
10	<u>7,500</u>	<u>8,000</u>	<u>205</u>	<u>310</u>	<u>390</u>	<u>495</u>	<u>575</u>	<u>730</u>	
11	<u>8,000</u>	<u>9,000</u>	<u>185</u>	<u>285</u>	<u>375</u>	<u>480</u>	<u>575</u>	<u>700</u>	
12	<u>9,000</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>340</u>	<u>425</u>	<u>510</u>	<u>665</u>	
13	<u>10,000</u>	<u>11,500</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>210</u>	<u>275</u>	<u>360</u>	<u>445</u>	<u>600</u>	
14	<u>11,500</u>	<u>13,000</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>185</u>	<u>235</u>	<u>295</u>	<u>365</u>	<u>480</u>	
15	<u>13,000</u>	<u>14,500</u>	<u>115</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>220</u>	<u>275</u>	<u>315</u>	<u>390</u>	
16	<u>14,500</u>	<u>16,500</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>185</u>	<u>235</u>	<u>285</u>	<u>335</u>	
17	<u>16,500</u>	<u>18,000</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>210</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>300</u>	
18	<u>18,000</u>	<u>19,500</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>115</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>220</u>	<u> 260</u>	
19	<u>19,500</u>	<u>21,000</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>185</u>	<u>230</u>	
20	<u>21,000</u>	<u>23,000</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>165</u>	<u>185</u>	<u>230</u>	
21	<u>23,000</u>	<u>24,500</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>170</u>	<u>195</u>	
22	<u>24,500</u>	<u>26,000</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>115</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>180</u>	
23	<u>26,000</u>	<u>27,500</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>105</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>140</u>	<u>170</u>	
24	<u>27,500</u>	<u>29,500</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>115</u>	<u>130</u>	<u>155</u>	
25	<u>29,500</u>	<u>31,000</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>115</u>	<u>130</u>	HTRC/HB 291/a Page 3

<u>31,000</u>	<u>32,500</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>105</u>
<u>32,500</u>	<u>34,000</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>90</u>
34,000	36,000	15	35	40	55	65	75.

E. If a taxpayer's modified gross income is zero, the taxpayer may claim a credit in the amount shown in the first row of the table appropriate for the taxpayer's number of exemptions as adjusted by the provisions of Subsection F of this section.

F. For the 2022 taxable year and each subsequent taxable year, the amount of rebate shown in the table in Subsection D of this section shall be adjusted to account for inflation. The department shall make the adjustment by multiplying each amount of rebate by a fraction, the numerator of which is the consumer price index ending during the prior taxable year and the denominator of which is the consumer price index ending in tax year 2021. The result of the multiplication shall be rounded down to the nearest one dollar (\$1.00), except that if the result would be an amount less than the corresponding amount for the preceding taxable year, then no adjustment shall be made.

G. The tax rebates provided for in this section may be deducted from the taxpayer's New Mexico income tax liability for the taxable year. If the tax rebates exceed the taxpayer's income tax liability, the excess shall be refunded to the taxpayer.

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- "consumer price index" means the (1) consumer price index for all urban consumers published by the United States department of labor for the month ending September 30; and
- "dependent" means "dependent" as defined (2) by Section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as that section may be amended or renumbered, but also includes any minor child or stepchild of the resident who would be a dependent for federal income tax purposes if the public assistance contributing to the support of the child or stepchild was considered to have been contributed by the resident."
- SECTION 2. Section 7-2-18.15 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 2007, Chapter 45, Section 9, as amended) is amended to read: "7-2-18.15. WORKING FAMILIES TAX CREDIT.--
- A. A taxpayer who is a resident and who files an individual New Mexico income tax return may claim a credit in an amount equal to twenty percent for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2021, and twenty-five percent for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2023, of the federal earned income tax credit for which that taxpayer is eligible for the same taxable year or would have been eligible but for the identification number requirement pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 32(m), as that section may be amended

or renumbered.

- B. A taxpayer who is a resident and who files an individual New Mexico tax return may claim a credit in an amount equal to twenty percent for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2021, and twenty-five percent for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2023, of the federal earned income tax credit for which that taxpayer would have been eligible for the same taxable year but for the age requirement pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 32(c)(1)(A)(ii)(II), as that section may be amended or renumbered; provided that the taxpayer is at least eighteen years of age but has not reached the age of twenty-five.
- C. The credit provided in this section may be referred to as the "working families tax credit".
- D. The working families tax credit may be deducted from the income tax liability of an individual who claims the credit and qualifies for the credit pursuant to this section. If the credit exceeds the individual's income tax liability for the taxable year, the excess shall be refunded to the individual.
- E. As used in this section, "federal earned income tax credit" means the tax credit allowed pursuant to 26
 U.S.C. 32, as that section may be amended or renumbered."
- SECTION 3. Section 7-3-8 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1961, Chapter 243, Section 9, as amended) is amended to read:

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"7-3-8. ANNUAL STATEMENT OF WITHHOLDING AND INFORMATION
REGARDING STATE ASSISTANCE FOR LOW-INCOME NEW MEXICANS TO BE
PROVIDED TO WITHHOLDEESOn or before January 31 of the year
following that for which the annual statement of withholding
is made pursuant to Section 7-3-7 NMSA 1978, a withholder
shall provide to a withholdee:

- A. a copy of the annual statement of withholding; and
- B. information regarding state assistance for low-income New Mexicans, including information regarding refundable tax rebates and credits for low-income filers provided by the state, such as the low-income comprehensive tax rebate and the working families tax credit. The information shall be provided in English and in Spanish on a form and in a manner required by the department, and the department shall make the information available on the department's website."

SECTION 4. APPLICABILITY.--The provisions of Sections 1 and 2 of this act apply to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2021.

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