# Colorado Enterprise Zone Program



#### The Colorado Enterprise Zone (EZ)

Program is designed to promote a business-friendly environment by offering state income tax credits. Taxpayers investing in Enterprise Zones can earn a credit on their Colorado income tax by planning and executing specific economic development activities. Some of these credits can be carried over

### **Enterprise Tax Credits May Include:**

**Investment Tax Credit:** Providing businesses a tax credit of 3% for equipment purchases.

**New Employee Credit:** A tax credit offering businesses \$1,100 per new job created.

**Health Insurance:** Offers businesses \$1,000 per insured job. Available for the first two years in a State Enterprise Zone.

Job Training: Companies implementing a qualified job-training program for their employees may claim an income tax credit of 12% of their eligible training costs.

Research and Development Tax Credit: A tax credit of up to 3% for businesses, depending on the increase of a company's research and development expenditures within an Enterprise Zone during the previous two income tax years.

#### **Commercial Vehicle Investment Tax Credit:**

Offers businesses a state income tax credit of up to 1.5% on commercial trucks, truck tractors, tractors, or semitrailers, as well as associated parts.

Vacant Building Rehab: Allows owners or tenants of a building that is located in an Enterprise Zone, is at least 20 years old, and has been completely vacant for at least two years to claim a tax credit of 25% of the cost (up to \$50,000) for rehabilitating the building for commercial use.

Manufacturing/Mining Sales and Use Tax Exemption: A tax credit that expands on the Sales and Use Tax exemption offered by the State.



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