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Laws Affecting Franchise Tax Board:

Government Code Section 7073.9, Revenue and Taxation
Code Sections 17053.47 and 23622.8

Date Filed with the Secretary of the State:

September 29, 2000

SUBJECT: Manufacturing Enhancement Area Employer Hiring Credit/Allow Expansion of Area and Include Agricultural Production as Business for Credits

Senate Bill 1445 (Chesbro), as enacted on September 29, 2000, made the following changes to California law:

Section 7073.9 of the Government Code is added.

This act provides for the expansion of a Manufacturing Enhancement Area (MEA) in Imperial County by no more than a 200-acre site upon approval by the Trade and Commerce Agency (TCA). Expansion of the MEA will only occur if TCA finds the additional territory proposed meets the same criteria imposed on the existing MEAs, as well as certain other conditions. The other conditions include approval by the governing body in which the MEA is located, that the area is zoned for industrial and commercial use, and that basic infrastructure, including gas, sewer, water, and electrical services is available to the proposed area.

Sections 17053.47 and 23622.8 of the Revenue and Taxation Code are amended.

This act expands the definition of "qualified taxpayer" in the MEA hiring credit to include taxpayers engaged in agricultural services as described in Codes 0211 through 0291 and Code 0723 of the Standard Industrial Classification Manual. The major categories within these codes include livestock, dairy farms, poultry and eggs, animal specialties, general farms, and crop preparation services.

This act is effective January 1, 2001, and operative for taxable and income years beginning on or after that date.

This act will not require any reports by the department to the Legislature.

Bureau Director

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Date

October 4, 2000