

PROGRAM: New Mexico High-Wage Jobs Tax Credit **Top Incentive**

AGENCY: Taxation and Revenue Department

DESCRIPTION: The New Mexico High-Wage Jobs Tax Credit provides a refundable tax credit to businesses for each high-wage job created.

ELIGIBLE USES:

- The credit is equal to 10% of the salary and benefits of each qualifying economic-based job, up to \$12,000 per employee.
- May be claimed against gross receipts tax, compensating tax, or withholding tax for the year the job was created and the following three years.
- In urban areas, qualifying jobs must pay at least \$40,000 per year.
- In rural areas, qualifying jobs must pay at least \$28,000 per year.

QUALIFICATION CRITERIA/COMMENTS:

- Applies to jobs created after July 1, 2004 and before July 2009.
- The eligible employer has to apply to the taxation and revenue department on in the manner specified by the department.
- The credit may be deducted from the modified combined tax liability of a taxpayer. If the credit exceeds the modified combined tax liability of the tax payer, the excess will be refunded.
- Urban areas are defined as a population greater than 40,000.
- The qualifying job must have been occupied for at least 48 weeks.
- The program is repealed January 1, 2010. See. **7-9G-1 NMSA**
- Visit the Taxation and Revenue Department homepage at <http://www.state.nm.us/tax/home.htm> or find paperwork and applications at <http://www.state.nm.us/tax/BizPge.htm> .
- Call the office of the Secretary at (505)827-0341.