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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

| 1 | AN ACT |
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| 2 | relating to a tax credit for investment in certain communities; |
| 3 | imposing a monetary penalty; authorizing a fee. |
| 4 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS: |
| 5 | SECTION 1. Subtitle B, Title 3, Insurance Code, is amended |
| 6 | by adding Chapter 231 to read as follows: |
| 7 | CHAPTER 231. TAX CREDIT FOR INVESTMENT IN CERTAIN COMMUNITIES |
| 8 | SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS |
| 9 | Sec. 231.001. GENERAL DEFINITIONS. In this chapter: |
| 10 | (1) "Applicable percentage" means zero percent for the |
| 11 | first two credit allowance dates, seven percent for the third |
| 12 | credit allowance date, and eight percent for the next four credit |
| 13 | allowance dates. |
| 14 | (2) "Comptroller" means the comptroller of public |
| 15 | accounts. |
| 16 | (3) "Credit allowance date" means, with respect to any |
| 17 | <pre>qualified equity investment:</pre> |
| 18 | (A) the date on which the investment is initially |
| 19 | made; and |
| 20 | (B) the anniversary of that date in each of the |
| 21 | six years immediately following that date. |
| 22 | (4) "Purchase price" means the amount paid to the |
| 23 | issuer of a qualified equity investment for the qualified equity |
| 24 | investment. |

- 1 (5) "State premium tax liability" means any premium
- 2 tax liability incurred under Chapter 221, 222, 223, or 224.
- 3 Sec. 231.002. DEFINITION: LONG-TERM DEBT SECURITY. (a) In
- 4 this chapter, "long-term debt security" means a debt instrument
- 5 issued by a qualified community development entity, at par value or
- 6 a premium, with an original maturity date not earlier than the
- 7 seventh year after the date on which the debt instrument is issued,
- 8 with no acceleration of repayment, amortization, or prepayment
- 9 features before its original maturity date.
- 10 (b) The qualified community development entity that issues
- 11 <u>a long-term debt security may not make cash interest payments on the</u>
- 12 security during the period beginning on the date on which the
- 13 security is issued and ending on the final credit allowance date in
- 14 an amount that exceeds the cumulative operating income, as defined
- 15 by regulations adopted under Section 45D, Internal Revenue Code of
- 16 1986, of the qualified community development entity for that period
- 17 before giving effect to the interest expense of the long-term debt
- 18 security.
- 19 (c) This section does not limit the holder's ability to
- 20 accelerate payments on a long-term debt security in situations
- 21 where the issuer has defaulted on covenants designed to ensure
- 22 compliance with this chapter or Section 45D, Internal Revenue Code
- 23 o<u>f 1986.</u>
- Sec. 231.003. DEFINITION: QUALIFIED ACTIVE LOW-INCOME
- 25 COMMUNITY BUSINESS. (a) In this chapter, "qualified active
- 26 low-income community business" has the meaning assigned by Section
- 27 45D, Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and 26 C.F.R. Section 1.45D-1,

- 1 except that the term is limited to those businesses that do not
- 2 exceed the Small Business Administration size eligibility
- 3 standards established by 13 C.F.R. Section 121.201 at the time the
- 4 qualified low-income community investment is made.
- 5 (b) A business is considered a qualified active low-income
- 6 community business for the duration of the qualified community
- 7 development entity's investment in, or loan to, the business if the
- 8 entity reasonably expects, at the time it makes the investment or
- 9 loan, that the business will continue to satisfy the requirements
- 10 for being a qualified active low-income community business, other
- 11 than the Small Business Administration size standards, throughout
- 12 the entire period of the investment or loan.
- 13 (c) A business that derives or projects to derive 15 percent
- 14 or more of its annual revenue from the rental or sale of real estate
- 15 <u>is not a qualified active low-income community business for</u>
- 16 purposes of this chapter. This exclusion does not apply to a
- 17 business that is controlled by, or under common control with, an
- 18 affiliated entity if the affiliated entity:
- (1) does not derive or project to derive 15 percent or
- 20 more of its annual revenue from the rental or sale of real estate;
- 21 <u>and</u>
- (2) is the primary tenant of the real estate leased
- 23 from the business.
- Sec. 231.004. DEFINITION: QUALIFIED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
- 25 ENTITY. In this chapter, "qualified community development entity"
- 26 has the meaning assigned by Section 45D, Internal Revenue Code of
- 27 1986, provided that the entity has entered into, for the current

- 1 year or any prior year, an allocation agreement with the community
- 2 development financial institutions fund of the United States
- 3 Department of the Treasury with respect to credits authorized by
- 4 Section 45D, Internal Revenue Code of 1986, that includes this
- 5 state in the service area set forth in the allocation agreement.
- 6 The term includes a qualified community development entity that is
- 7 controlled by or under common control with another qualified
- 8 community development entity described by this section.
- 9 Sec. 231.005. DEFINITION: QUALIFIED EQUITY INVESTMENT. (a)
- 10 An investment or security is a "qualified equity investment" for
- 11 purposes of this chapter if:
- 12 (1) the investment or security is an equity investment
- 13 in, or long-term debt security issued by, a qualified community
- 14 development entity;
- 15 (2) the investment or security is acquired on or after
- 16 October 1, 2013, at its original issuance solely in exchange for
- 17 cash;
- 18 (3) not later than the first anniversary of the
- 19 initial credit allowance date at least 100 percent of the
- 20 investment's or security's cash purchase price is used by the issuer
- 21 to make qualified low-income community investments in qualified
- 22 active low-income community businesses located in this state; and
- 23 (4) the investment or security is designated by the
- 24 issuer as a qualified equity investment under this section and is
- 25 certified by the comptroller as not exceeding the limitation
- 26 provided by Section 231.104.
- 27 (b) Qualified equity investment includes an investment or

- 1 security that does not satisfy the requirements of Subsection (a)
- 2 if the investment or security was a qualified equity investment in
- 3 the hands of a prior holder.
- 4 Sec. 231.006. DEFINITION: QUALIFIED LOW-INCOME COMMUNITY
- 5 INVESTMENT. In this chapter, "qualified low-income community
- 6 investment" means a capital or equity investment in, or loan to, a
- 7 qualified active low-income community business with respect to
- 8 which a federal qualified low-income community investment of some
- 9 amount is made concurrently with the investment or loan.
- 10 Sec. 231.007. DEFINITION: QUALIFIED INVESTOR. In this
- 11 chapter, "qualified investor" means an entity that makes a
- 12 qualified equity investment as defined by Section 231.005, or an
- 13 entity that is allocated premium tax credits under Section
- 14 231.052(b).
- 15 Sec. 231.008. NEW MARKETS PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE ACCOUNT.
- 16 The new markets performance guarantee account is established as a
- 17 special account outside the state treasury. The comptroller shall
- 18 administer the account and shall deposit a refundable performance
- 19 deposit received from a qualified community development entity
- 20 under Subchapter E into the account.
- Sec. 231.009. RULES AND STANDARDS. (a) The comptroller may
- 22 adopt rules as necessary to implement the duties of the comptroller
- 23 <u>under this chapter.</u>
- 24 (b) The comptroller, acting as the administrator, may:
- 25 (1) by rule set limits and restrictions on the use of
- 26 the proceeds raised by a qualified community development entity,
- 27 consistent with Section 45D, Internal Revenue Code of 1986;

- 1 (2) review or audit the investments of a qualified
- 2 community development entity on a periodic basis;
- 3 (3) establ<u>ish</u> limits on the <u>formation</u> and <u>syndication</u>
- 4 costs of a qualified community development entity and the entity's
- 5 debt instruments;
- 6 (4) consistent with practices under Section 45D,
- 7 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, establish limits of a qualified
- 8 community development entity's operating expenses, including legal
- 9 fees, loan sourcing or origination fees, loan servicing fees,
- 10 management fees paid to affiliated firms, including
- 11 non-Texas-based firms, organizational and formation expenses, and
- 12 performance bonds; and
- 13 (5) limit any original issue discount on a debt
- 14 instrument issued by a qualified community development entity.
- 15 <u>SUBCHAPTER B. TAX CREDIT</u>
- Sec. 231.051. CREDIT ESTABLISHED. (a) Subject to Section
- 17 231.052(b), a qualified investor that makes a qualified equity
- 18 investment earns a vested right to credit against the qualified
- 19 investor's state premium tax liability.
- 20 (b) On each credit allowance date of a qualified equity
- 21 investment, the qualified investor, or a subsequent holder of the
- 22 qualified equity investment, may claim a portion of the credit
- 23 during the tax year of that credit allowance date.
- 24 (c) The credit amount is equal to the applicable percentage
- 25 for the credit allowance date multiplied by the purchase price paid
- 26 to the issuer of the qualified equity investment.
- 27 (d) The amount of the credit claimed by a qualified investor

- 1 may not exceed the amount of the qualified investor's state premium
- 2 tax liability for the tax year for which the credit is claimed. Any
- 3 amount of tax credit that the qualified investor is prohibited from
- 4 claiming in a tax year as a result of this subsection may be carried
- 5 forward for use in a subsequent tax year.
- 6 Sec. 231.052. TRANSFERABILITY. (a) A premium tax credit
- 7 claimed under this chapter is not refundable or salable.
- 8 (b) A premium tax credit earned by or allocated to a
- 9 partnership, limited liability company, S corporation, or other
- 10 pass-through entity may be allocated to the partners, members, or
- 11 shareholders of the entity for their direct use in accordance with
- 12 an agreement among the partners, members, or shareholders. An
- 13 allocation under this subsection does not constitute a sale for
- 14 purposes of this chapter.
- Sec. 231.053. RETALIATORY TAX. (a) A qualified investor or
- 16 a subsequent holder of a qualified equity investment claiming a
- 17 premium tax credit under this chapter is not required to pay any
- 18 additional retaliatory tax levied under Chapter 281 as a result of
- 19 claiming that credit.
- 20 (b) In addition to the exclusion provided by Subsection (a),
- 21 a qualified investor or a subsequent holder of the qualified equity
- 22 investment claiming a credit under this chapter is not required to
- 23 pay any additional tax that may arise as a result of claiming that
- 24 credit.
- 25 SUBCHAPTER C. CERTIFICATION OF QUALIFIED EQUITY INVESTMENTS
- Sec. 231.101. APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION OF QUALIFIED
- 27 EQUITY INVESTMENT. (a) A qualified community development entity

- 1 that seeks to have an equity investment or long-term debt security
- 2 certified as a qualified equity investment eligible for premium tax
- 3 credits under this chapter must apply to the comptroller, acting as
- 4 administrator under this chapter, as provided by this section.
- 5 <u>(b) An application under this section must include the</u>
- 6 following:
- 7 (1) evidence of the applicant's certification as a
- 8 qualified community development entity, including evidence of the
- 9 service area of the entity that includes this state;
- 10 (2) a copy of an allocation agreement executed by the
- 11 applicant, or its controlling entity, and the community development
- 12 financial institutions fund;
- 13 (3) a certificate executed by an executive officer of
- 14 the applicant attesting that the allocation agreement remains in
- 15 effect and has not been revoked or canceled by the community
- 16 <u>development financial institutions fund;</u>
- 17 (4) a description of the proposed amount and
- 18 structure, and of the purchaser, of the qualified equity
- 19 investment;
- 20 (5) identifying information for a qualified investor
- 21 that will earn premium tax credits as a result of the issuance of
- 22 <u>the qualified equity investment;</u>
- 23 (6) except as provided by Subsection (c), examples of
- 24 the types of qualified active low-income community businesses in
- 25 which the applicant, its controlling entity, or affiliates of its
- 26 controlling entity have invested under the federal New Markets Tax
- 27 Credit Program;

- 1 (7) a nonrefundable application fee of \$5,000 to be
- 2 paid to the comptroller; and
- 3 (8) except as provided by Section 231.201(c), the
- 4 refundable performance deposit of \$500,000 required by Subchapter
- 5 <u>E.</u>
- 6 (c) An applicant is not required to have invested under the
- 7 federal New Markets Tax Credit Program, and an application is not
- 8 required to include the examples described by Subsection (b)(6), if
- 9 the application includes information in the form required by the
- 10 comptroller demonstrating that the applicant, together with the
- 11 applicant's controlling entity and the affiliates of its
- 12 controlling entity:
- 13 (1) is a duly formed qualified community development
- 14 entity;
- 15 (2) has total assets under management in the amount of
- 16 \$250 million or less; and
- 17 (3) has a demonstrable track record of successfully
- 18 investing in low-income communities, as defined by Section 45D,
- 19 Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- Sec. 231.102. ACTION ON APPLICATION. (a) Not later than
- 21 the 30th day after the date an application under Section 231.101 is
- 22 received, the comptroller shall grant or deny the application in
- 23 <u>full or in part.</u>
- 24 (b) If the comptroller denies part of the application, the
- 25 comptroller shall inform the applicant of the grounds for denial.
- 26 <u>(c) If the applicant provides additional information</u>
- 27 required by the comptroller or otherwise completes the application

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- 1 not later than the 15th day after the date of the notice of denial,
- 2 the application is considered completed as of the date on which it
- 3 was originally submitted. If the qualified community development
- 4 entity fails to provide the information or complete its application
- 5 before that date, the application is denied and must be resubmitted
- 6 in full and has a new submission date.
- 7 Sec. 231.103. CERTIFICATION OF QUALIFIED EQUITY
- 8 INVESTMENT. (a) If an application under Section 231.101 is granted
- 9 under Section 231.102, the comptroller shall certify the proposed
- 10 equity investment or long-term debt security as a qualified equity
- 11 investment that is eligible for premium tax credits under this
- 12 chapter, subject to Section 231.104.
- 13 (b) The comptroller shall provide written notice of the
- 14 certification to the qualified community development entity.
- 15 (c) The notice must include the names of those entities that
- 16 will earn the credits and their respective credit amounts. If the
- 17 names of the entities that are eligible to claim the credits change
- 18 due to a transfer of a qualified equity investment or an allocation
- 19 under Section 231.052, the qualified community development entity
- 20 shall notify the comptroller of the change.
- 21 (d) The comptroller shall certify qualified equity
- 22 <u>investments in the order in which applications are received by the</u>
- 23 comptroller. Applications received on the same day are considered
- 24 to have been received simultaneously. For applications that are
- 25 complete and received on the same day, the comptroller shall
- 26 certify, consistent with remaining qualified equity investment
- 27 capacity, the qualified equity investments in proportionate

- 1 percentages based on the proportion that the amount of qualified
- 2 equity investment requested in an application bears to the total
- 3 amount of qualified equity investments requested in all
- 4 applications received on the same day.
- 5 Sec. 231.104. LIMIT ON CERTIFIED INVESTMENTS. Not more
- 6 than \$750 million in qualified equity investments may be certified
- 7 under Section 231.103. If a pending request cannot be fully
- 8 certified due to this limit, the comptroller shall certify the
- 9 portion that can be certified unless the qualified community
- 10 development entity elects to withdraw the request rather than
- 11 receive partial certification.
- 12 Sec. 231.105. TRANSFER OF INVESTMENT AUTHORITY. An
- 13 approved applicant may transfer all or a portion of its certified
- 14 qualified equity investment authority to its controlling entity or
- 15 to a qualified community development entity controlled by or under
- 16 <u>common control with the applicant, if the applicant:</u>
- 17 (1) provides the information required in the
- 18 application with respect to the recipient of the transfer; and
- 19 (2) notifies the comptroller of the transfer not later
- 20 than the 30th day after the date of the transfer.
- 21 Sec. 231.106. ISSUANCE OF QUALIFIED EQUITY INVESTMENT. (a)
- 22 Not later than the 60th day after the date the applicant receives
- 23 notice of certification, the qualified community development
- 24 entity or a recipient of a transfer under Section 231.105 shall
- 25 issue the qualified equity investment and receive cash in the
- 26 amount certified.
- 27 (b) The qualified community development entity or a

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- 1 recipient of a transfer under Section 231.105 must provide the
- 2 comptroller with evidence of the receipt of the cash investment not
- 3 later than the 10th business day after the date the cash investment
- 4 <u>is received.</u>
- 5 Sec. 231.107. LAPSE OF CERTIFICATION. (a) If the qualified
- 6 community development entity or a recipient of a transfer under
- 7 Section 231.105 does not receive the cash investment and issue the
- 8 qualified equity investment before the 30th day after the date the
- 9 certification notice is received as required by Section 231.106,
- 10 the certification lapses and the qualified community development
- 11 entity may not issue the qualified equity investment without
- 12 reapplying to the comptroller for certification.
- 13 (b) If a certification lapses under this section, the
- 14 comptroller shall reissue the certified amount, giving preference
- 15 to an applicant whose allocation was reduced under Section 231.104.
- 16 If more than one applicant had its allocation reduced, the
- 17 comptroller shall reissue the certified amount on a pro rata basis.
- 18 After the allocation to applicants whose allocation was reduced
- 19 under Section 231.104, the comptroller shall reissue any certified
- 20 amount that remains in accordance with the application process.
- 21 SUBCHAPTER D. RECAPTURE OF PREMIUM TAX CREDIT
- 22 Sec. 231.151. RECAPTURE. (a) Subject to Section 231.152,
- 23 the comptroller shall recapture the amount of a tax credit claimed
- 24 on a premium tax report filed under this subtitle from the qualified
- 25 investor or a subsequent holder of the qualified equity investment
- 26 that claims the credit if:
- 27 (1) any amount of a federal tax credit available with

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- 1 respect to a qualified equity investment that is eligible for a
- 2 credit under this chapter is recaptured under Section 45D, Internal
- 3 Revenue Code of 1986, in which case the comptroller's recapture
- 4 must be proportionate to the federal recapture with respect to the
- 5 qualified equity investment;
- 6 (2) the issuer redeems or makes principal repayment
- 7 with respect to a qualified equity investment before the seventh
- 8 anniversary of the date the qualified equity investment is issued,
- 9 in which case the comptroller's recapture must be proportionate to
- 10 the amount of the redemption or repayment with respect to the
- 11 qualified equity investment;
- 12 (3) the issuer fails to invest an amount equal to 100
- 13 percent of the purchase price of the qualified equity investment in
- 14 qualified low-income community investments in this state during the
- 15 12-month period immediately following the date the qualified equity
- 16 investment is issued or to maintain at least 100 percent of that
- 17 level of investment in qualified low-income community investments
- 18 in this state until the last credit allowance date for the qualified
- 19 equity investment; or
- 20 (4) at any time before the final credit allowance date
- 21 of a qualified equity investment, the issuer uses the cash proceeds
- 22 of the qualified equity investment to make qualified low-income
- 23 community investments in any one qualified active low-income
- 24 community business, including affiliated qualified active
- 25 <u>low-income</u> community businesses, exclusive of reinvestments of
- 26 capital returned or repaid with respect to earlier investments in
- 27 the qualified active low-income community business and its

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- 1 affiliates, in excess of 25 percent of the cash proceeds of all
- 2 qualified equity investments issued by the issuer under this
- 3 chapter.
- 4 (b) For purposes of this chapter, an investment is
- 5 considered held by an issuer even if the investment has been sold or
- 6 repaid if the issuer reinvests an amount equal to the capital
- 7 returned to or recovered by the issuer from the original
- 8 investment, exclusive of any profits realized, in another qualified
- 9 low-income community investment not later than the 12th month after
- 10 the date the issuer receives the capital.
- 11 (c) An issuer is not required to reinvest capital returned
- 12 from a qualified low-income community investment after the sixth
- 13 anniversary of the date the qualified equity investment is issued,
- 14 the proceeds of which were used to make the qualified low-income
- 15 community investment, and the qualified low-income community
- 16 <u>investment is considered held by the issuer through the seventh</u>
- 17 anniversary of the date the qualified equity investment was issued.
- 18 (d) Periodic amounts received during a calendar year as
- 19 repayment of principal on a loan that is a qualified low-income
- 20 community investment shall be treated as continuously invested in a
- 21 qualified low-income community investment if the amounts are
- 22 reinvested in one or more qualified low-income community
- 23 <u>investments not later than the last day of the following calendar</u>
- 24 year.
- Sec. 231.152. NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE. (a) The comptroller
- 26 shall notify a qualified community development entity and a
- 27 qualified investor that has claimed a tax credit on a premium tax

- 1 report if the credit is subject to recapture under Section 231.151.
- 2 (b) The comptroller may not recapture a tax credit under
- 3 this subchapter if the qualified community development entity cures
- 4 the noncompliance described by Section 231.151 before the 180th day
- 5 after the date the qualified community development entity receives
- 6 notice under Subsection (a).
- 7 <u>SUBCHAPTER E. PERFORMANCE DEPOSIT</u>
- 8 Sec. 231.201. PERFORMANCE DEPOSIT OR SURETY BOND REQUIRED.
- 9 (a) Except as provided by Subsection (c), a qualified community
- 10 development entity that submits an application to have an equity
- 11 investment or long-term debt security certified as a qualified
- 12 equity investment eligible for premium tax credits under this
- 13 chapter must deposit \$500,000 with the comptroller for deposit in
- 14 the new markets performance guarantee account, or maintain a surety
- 15 bond of an equal amount.
- (b) If the comptroller denies an application described by
- 17 Subsection (a) in full, the comptroller shall refund the deposit to
- 18 the applicant not later than the 15th day after the date of the
- 19 denial.
- 20 (c) A qualified community development entity is not
- 21 required to make a deposit under this section if the qualified
- 22 <u>community development entity is:</u>
- 23 (1) formed or operated by a governmental entity; or
- 24 (2) a nonprofit organization.
- Sec. 231.202. FORFEITURE OF DEPOSIT. (a) A qualified
- 26 community development entity that makes a performance deposit under
- 27 Section 231.201(a) shall forfeit the deposit in its entirety if:

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- 1 (1) the qualified community development entity and any 2 qualified community development entity to which a transfer is made
- 3 by the qualified community development entity under Section 231.105
- 4 fail to issue the total amount of qualified equity investments
- 5 certified by the comptroller and receive cash in the total amount
- 6 certified under Section 231.103 not later than the date specified
- 7 <u>by Section 231.106; or</u>
- 8 (2) the qualified community development entity or a
- 9 qualified community development entity to which a transfer is made
- 10 by the qualified community development entity under Section 231.105
- 11 that issues a qualified equity investment certified under Section
- 12 231.103 fails to meet the investment requirement under Section
- 13 231.151(a)(3) by the second credit allowance date of the qualified
- 14 equity investment.
- 15 (b) The comptroller shall notify a qualified community
- 16 <u>development entity that has made a deposit under Section 231.201(a)</u>
- 17 if the deposit is subject to forfeiture under this section.
- 18 (c) A deposit is not subject to forfeiture under Subsection
- 19 (a)(2) if the qualified community development entity cures the
- 20 noncompliance before the 180th day after the date the qualified
- 21 community development entity receives notice under Subsection (b).
- Sec. 231.203. NEW MARKETS PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE
- 23 ACCOUNT. (a) The deposit required by Section 231.201(a) shall be
- 24 made with the comptroller and held in the new markets performance
- 25 guarantee account until the comptroller finds that the qualified
- 26 community development entity has complied with the provisions of
- 27 this chapter.

- 1 (b) The qualified community development entity may request
- 2 a refund of the deposit from the comptroller not earlier than the
- 3 30th day after the date the requirements that must be satisfied to
- 4 avoid forfeiture of the deposit, as described by Section 231.202,
- 5 are satisfied.
- 6 (c) The comptroller shall refund the deposit or, if
- 7 applicable, give notice of noncompliance not later than the 30th
- 8 day after the date of receiving a request that complies with
- 9 Subsection (b).
- 10 SUBCHAPTER F. EVALUATION OF BUSINESS BY COMPTROLLER
- 11 Sec. 231.251. REQUEST FOR EVALUATION. (a) A qualified
- 12 community development entity may, before making an investment in a
- 13 business, request a written opinion from the comptroller as to
- 14 whether the business in which the qualified community development
- 15 entity proposes to invest would qualify as a qualified active
- 16 low-income community business according to Section 231.003.
- 17 (b) Not later than the 15th business day after the date of
- 18 the receipt of a request under Subsection (a), the comptroller
- 19 shall:
- 20 (1) determine whether the business meets the
- 21 definition of a qualified active low-income community business, as
- 22 applicable, and notify the qualified community development entity
- 23 of the determination and provide an explanation of the
- 24 determination; or
- 25 (2) notify the qualified community development entity
- 26 that the comptroller requires additional time, which may not exceed
- 27 15 days, to review the request and make the determination.

- 1 (c) If the comptroller fails to notify the qualified
- 2 community development entity with respect to the proposed
- 3 investment within the period as specified by Subsection (b), the
- 4 business in which the qualified community development entity
- 5 proposes to invest is considered to be a qualified active
- 6 low-income community business.
- 7 Sec. 231.252. CONSIDERATION OF INTERNAL REVENUE CODE. In
- 8 issuing a written opinion and making other determinations under
- 9 this chapter, the comptroller shall consider Section 45D, Internal
- 10 Revenue Code of 1986, and the rules and regulations issued under
- 11 that code, to the extent that those provisions are applicable.
- 12 SUBCHAPTER G. REPORTING
- Sec. 231.301. REPORT TO COMPTROLLER. (a) Except as
- 14 provided by this subsection, a qualified community development
- 15 entity that issues a qualified equity investment under Section
- 16 231.106 shall submit an annual report to the comptroller not later
- 17 than the fifth business day after the anniversary of a credit
- 18 allowance date applicable to the investment. The qualified
- 19 community development entity is not required to submit any report
- 20 under this section after the annual report following the final
- 21 applicable credit allowance date.
- (b) The report must:
- 23 (1) provide evidence that the qualified community
- 24 development entity has not failed to meet the investment
- 25 requirement under Section 231.151(a)(3);
- 26 (2) include one or more bank statements for the
- 27 qualified community development entity that reflect each qualified

- 1 low-income community investment made by the qualified community
- 2 development entity in connection with the qualified equity
- 3 investment;
- 4 (3) state the name, location, and industry code of
- 5 each qualified active low-income community business receiving a
- 6 qualified low-income community investment in connection with the
- 7 qualified equity investment and, if the qualified community
- 8 development entity did not receive a written opinion under Section
- 9 231.251 with respect to a qualified active low-income community
- 10 business, include evidence that the business was a qualified active
- 11 low-income community business at the time the qualified low-income
- 12 community investment was made;
- 13 (4) state the number of employment positions created
- 14 and retained as a result of each qualified low-income community
- 15 investment made in connection with the qualified equity investment;
- 16 (5) state whether the qualified community development
- 17 entity has been subject to a recapture of any amount of a federal
- 18 tax credit available under Section 45D, Internal Revenue Code of
- 19 1986, with respect to the qualified equity investment; and
- 20 (6) include a copy of the most recent annual report
- 21 submitted by the qualified community development entity to the
- 22 United States Department of the Treasury regarding Section 45D,
- 23 Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- (c) A qualified community development entity that fails to
- 25 submit a report to the comptroller within the time prescribed by
- 26 Subsection (a) shall pay to the comptroller a penalty equal to:
- 27 <u>(1) \$25,000; plus</u>

- 1 (2) \$5,000 for each day the report is not submitted
- 2 after the date the report is due under Subsection (a).
- 3 Sec. 231.302. COMPTROLLER'S REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE. (a)
- 4 The comptroller shall contract with an independent researcher from
- 5 an education research center established under Section 1.005,
- 6 Education Code, to prepare a biennial report with respect to the
- 7 implementation of this chapter.
- 8 (b) The report must include:
- 9 (1) the number of qualified community development
- 10 entities holding certified qualified equity investments;
- 11 (2) the amount of qualified equity investments of each
- 12 qualified community development entity;
- 13 (3) the amount of qualified low-income community
- 14 investments each qualified community development entity has
- 15 invested in qualified active low-income community businesses as of
- 16 the most recent annual report submitted to the comptroller by the
- 17 qualified community development entity;
- 18 (4) the total amount of premium tax credits earned
- 19 under this chapter;
- 20 (5) the performance of each qualified community
- 21 development entity with respect to reporting requirements imposed
- 22 by this chapter;
- 23 (6) with respect to each qualified active low-income
- 24 community business in which a qualified community development
- 25 entity has invested:
- 26 (A) the classification of the qualified active
- 27 low-income community business according to the industrial sector

- 1 and the size of the business;
- 2 (B) the total number of jobs created by the
- 3 <u>qualified low-income community investment and the average wages</u>
- 4 paid for the jobs; and
- 5 (C) the total number of jobs retained as a result
- 6 of the qualified low-income community investment and the average
- 7 wages paid for the jobs; and
- 8 (7) an examination of the effect the implementation of
- 9 this chapter has had on economic activity in this state and on state
- 10 tax revenue during the biennium.
- 11 (c) The comptroller shall file the report with the governor,
- 12 the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of
- 13 representatives not later than December 15 of each even-numbered
- 14 year.
- 15 SECTION 2. (a) As soon as practicable after the effective
- 16 date of this Act, the comptroller of public accounts shall adopt
- 17 rules necessary to implement the provisions of Chapter 231,
- 18 Insurance Code, as added by this Act, that apply to the comptroller
- 19 of public accounts.
- 20 (b) The comptroller of public accounts shall accept
- 21 applications for certification of qualified equity investments as
- 22 required by Chapter 231, Insurance Code, as added by this Act,
- 23 beginning not later than October 2, 2013.
- SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.