

(D) THE DIVISION SHALL ADMINISTER THE CONSTRUCTION APPRENTICESHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

(E) AS PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET, THE CONSTRUCTION APPRENTICESHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SHALL AWARD GRANTS TO ELIGIBLE PRIVATE SECTOR ENTITIES THAT OPERATE APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS IN THE STATE.

(F) THE SECRETARY MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THIS SECTION.

(G) BY REGULATION, THE SECRETARY SHALL ESTABLISH:

(1) CRITERIA TO DETERMINE THE ELIGIBILITY OF PRIVATE SECTOR ENTITIES; AND

(2) AN APPLICATION PROCESS FOR DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY.

(H) A GRANT AWARDED BY THE CONSTRUCTION APPRENTICESHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM UNDER SUBSECTION (E) OF THIS SECTION SHALL BE BASED ON THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN A PROGRAM OPERATED BY AN ELIGIBLE PRIVATE SECTOR ENTITY.

(I) A GRANT SHALL CONSIST OF A MAXIMUM OF \$1,000 FOR EACH APPRENTICE IN AN ELIGIBLE PRIVATE SECTOR ENTITY.

(J) THE CONSTRUCTION APPRENTICESHIP ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SHALL DISTRIBUTE A GRANT AWARDED TO A PRIVATE SECTOR ENTITY:

(1) AT THE END OF A PROGRAM YEAR; AND

(2) ONLY TO THE EXTENT THAT EACH APPRENTICE HAS COMPLETED THE PROGRAM YEAR.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.

Approved May 21, 1998.

CHAPTER 730

(House Bill 1155)

AN ACT concerning

**Work, Not Welfare, and Qualifying Employees with Disabilities Tax Credits -
Tax Exempt Organizations - Withholding Taxes**

FOR the purpose of allowing certain tax exempt organizations to apply certain tax credits against the payment to the Comptroller of certain taxes required to be withheld from the wages of employees and required to be paid to the Comptroller; altering certain provisions relating to the applicability of certain