

## Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1624

By Committee on Assessment and Taxation

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9 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION establishing a three-year morato-  
10 rium on the granting of new tax exemptions, tax credits or economic  
11 development incentive programs involving employer withholding  
12 taxes.

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14 WHEREAS, State and local tax revenues of \$11.77 billion for FY 2009  
15 were 3.63% less than state and local tax revenues of \$12.22 billion for FY  
16 2008, and were also less than state and local tax revenues of \$11.81 billion  
17 for FY 2007; and

18 WHEREAS, The November 2009 Consensus Revenue Estimate of  
19 State General Fund receipts for FY 2010 is \$5.3 billion, which is 5.2%  
20 less than actual State General Fund receipts for FY 2009; and

21 WHEREAS, The November 2009 Consensus Revenue Estimate of  
22 State General Fund receipts for FY 2011 is \$5.18 billion, which is 2.3%  
23 less than the November 2009 Consensus Revenue Estimate of State Gen-  
24 eral Fund receipts for FY 2010; and

25 WHEREAS, The number of new property tax exemptions, sales tax  
26 exemptions, tax credits, and economic incentive programs involving the  
27 use of employer withholding taxes enacted has escalated significantly  
28 within the past 15 years in both number and dollar amount; and

29 WHEREAS, The significant growth in such new exemptions, credits  
30 and programs must cease until the policies underlying such growth can  
31 be examined in depth; and

32 WHEREAS, During this time of unprecedented multi-year reductions  
33 in state and local tax revenues, the need is even more acute to halt such  
34 growth and review the current policies for granting new property tax and  
35 sales tax exemptions, tax credits and economic development incentive  
36 programs involving the use of employer withholding taxes; Now,  
37 therefore:

38 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, the House of Rep-*  
39 *resentatives concurring therein:* That, for tax years 2010, 2011 and 2012,  
40 there shall be a moratorium on the granting of any new property tax  
41 exemptions, sales tax exemptions, tax credits or economic development  
42 incentive programs involving the use of employer withholding taxes by  
43 the Legislature of the State of Kansas; and

1     *Be it further resolved:* That any new property tax, sales tax exemption  
2     or tax credit granted thereafter shall include provisions for the sunset of  
3     such exemption within three years.