

## Senator Hagan's Priorities for NC Job Growth



### **VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2011 Tax Credit Info**

*In November of 2011, Senator Hagan supported the VOW to Hire Heroes Act, a bipartisan bill to get our veterans back to work. This new law provides incentives to hire eligible unemployed veterans who begin work on or after November 22, 2011, and before January 1, 2013.*

<b>Employee Eligibility</b>	<b>Maximum Credit Amount</b>
Veterans who have been unemployed for an aggregate of at least four weeks, but less than six months, in the year prior to being hired	<b>\$2,400</b>
Veterans who are members of a family receiving SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) benefits for at least three months in the year prior to being hired	<b>\$2,400</b>
Veterans eligible for disability compensation from the VA and within one year of discharge or release from active military duty when hired	<b>\$4,800</b>
Veterans who have been unemployed for an aggregate of at six months or more in the year prior to being hired	<b>\$5,600</b>
Veterans who are eligible for disability compensation from the VA and have been unemployed for an aggregate of six months or more in the year prior to being hired	<b>\$9,600</b>

**To pre-screen and to certify an individual**, employers use Forms 8850 and 9061. For the latest information about Form 8850, go to [www.IRS.gov/form8850](http://www.IRS.gov/form8850) and for Form 9061 go to [www.doleta.gov/business/incentives/opptax/PDF/eta\\_form\\_9061.pdf](http://www.doleta.gov/business/incentives/opptax/PDF/eta_form_9061.pdf). Be sure to write "Veteran" at the top of the Form 9061.

#### **Contact information for mailing certification forms and for additional questions:**

Employment Security Commission of NC/Applicant Services Unit:  
WOTC (Work opportunity Tax Credit)  
PO Box 27625  
Raleigh NC 27625  
Phone: 919-707-1960 Fax: 919-733-3010

**To claim the credit for eligible employees**, employers use Form 5884. Your business does not have to be located in an empowerment zone, renewal community, or rural renewal county to qualify for this credit. For the latest information about Form 5884 and its instructions, go to [www.IRS.gov/form5884](http://www.IRS.gov/form5884).