1 ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2780 By: Pfeiffer of the House 2 and 3 Rader of the Senate 4 5 6 7 An Act relating to state revenue administration; amending 68 O.S. 2011, Section 227, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 358, O.S.L. 2016 (68 O.S. Supp. 8 2020, Section 227), which relates to claims for 9 refunds; providing specified exception to authorization for refund of taxes paid erroneously; 10 amending 68 O.S. 2011, Section 253, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 273, O.S.L. 2014 (68 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 253), which relates to liability for 11 payment of taxes; adding unpaid mixed beverage gross 12 receipts tax to those taxes for which certain individuals may be personally liable; authorizing 13 collection contracts with respect to certain excise tax; amending 68 O.S. 2011, Section 254, which 14 relates to hearings before the Oklahoma Tax Commission; prescribing procedures related to 15 garnishment; defining term; providing for liability based upon willful actions; prescribing procedures; 16 authorizing forms and rules; amending 68 O.S. 2011, 2011, Section 255, which relates to debt collection 17 for unpaid taxes; modifying time period; amending 68 O.S. 2011, Section 1361.2, which relates to procedure 18 for claiming specified sales tax exemption for certain disabled veterans; specifying conditions 19 under which certain refund may be claimed and establishing related requirement; updating statutory 20 language; amending 68 O.S. 2011, Section 1501, which relates to definitions; modifying definition to 21 exclude certain devices; amending Sections 5, 6 and 7, Chapter 260, O.S.L. 2018 (68 O.S. Supp. 2020, 22 Sections 2947.1, 2947.2 and 2947.3), which relate to the County Government Education-Technical Revolving 23 Fund; authorizing direct apportionment of revenue to specified entities by changing nature of specified 24 fund; modifying start date for certain

1 apportionments; conforming references; eliminating requirement for specified reserve account; updating 2 reference; requiring Oklahoma Tax Commission to distribute certain revenue under specified 3 circumstances; amending 68 O.S. 2011, Section 3204, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 260, O.S.L. 2018 (68 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 3204), which relates to 4 documentary stamp tax; conforming language; modifying 5 start date for certain apportionment; specifying statutory authority; providing for transfer of specified funds; amending 68 O.S. 2011, Section 3624, 6 as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 313, O.S.L. 7 2019 (68 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 3624), which relates to the Oklahoma Film Enhancement Rebate Program; clarifying certain payments; limiting 8 liability for payments to balance of specified fund; 9 updating statutory reference; providing for noncodification; providing for codification; and 10 providing an effective date. 11 12 13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 14 SECTION 1. 68 O.S. 2011, Section 227, as last AMENDATORY 15 amended by Section 1, Chapter 358, O.S.L. 2016 (68 O.S. Supp. 2020, 16 Section 227), is amended to read as follows: 17 Section 227. (a) Any A. Except as provided in subsection B of 18 Section 1361.2 of this title, any taxpayer who has paid to the State 19 of Oklahoma, through error of fact, or computation, or 20 misinterpretation of law, any tax collected by the Tax Commission 21 may, as hereinafter provided, be refunded the amount of such tax so 22 erroneously paid, without interest. 23 (b) (1) B. 1. Except as otherwise provided by  $\frac{division}{division}$  (2) 24 paragraph 2 of this subsection, any taxpayer who has so paid any

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1 such tax may, within three (3) years from the date of payment thereof file with the Tax Commission a verified claim for refund of 2 such tax so erroneously paid. The Tax Commission may accept an 3 4 amended withholding tax or other report or return as a verified 5 claim for refund if the amended report or return establishes a liability less than the original report or return previously filed. 6 7 (2) 2. Upon the effective date of this act August 26, 2016, with respect to the sales tax imposed by Section 1354 of this title 8 9 and with respect to the use tax imposed by Section 1402 of this 10 title, any taxpayer who has so paid such sales or use tax may, 11 within two (2) years from the date of payment thereof file with the 12 Tax Commission a verified claim for refund of such tax so 13 erroneously paid. The Tax Commission may accept an amended sales or 14 use tax report or return as a verified claim for refund if the 15 amended report or return establishes a liability less than the 16 original report or return previously filed.

17 (c) Said C. The claim so filed with the Tax Commission, except 18 for an amended report or return, shall specify the name of the 19 taxpayer, the time when and period for which said the tax was paid, 20 the nature and kind of tax so paid, the amount of the tax which said 21 the taxpayer claimed was erroneously paid, the grounds upon which a 22 refund is sought, and such other information or data relative to 23 such payment as may be necessary to an adjustment thereof by the Tax 24 Commission. It shall be the duty of the Commission to determine

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1 what amount of refund, if any, is due as soon as practicable after 2 such claim has been filed and advise the taxpayer about the 3 correctness of his claim and the claim for refund shall be approved 4 or denied by written notice to the taxpayer.

(d) <u>D.</u> If the claim for refund is denied, the taxpayer may file
a demand for hearing with the Commission. The demand for hearing
must be filed on or before the sixtieth day after the date the
notice of denial was mailed. If the taxpayer fails to file a demand
for hearing, the claim for refund shall be barred.

10 (e) <u>E.</u> Upon the taxpayer's timely filing of a demand for 11 hearing, the Commission shall set a date for hearing upon the claim 12 for refund which date shall not be later than sixty (60) days from 13 the date the demand for hearing was mailed. The taxpayer shall be 14 notified of the time and place of the hearing. The hearing may be 15 held after the sixty-day period provided by this subsection upon 16 agreement of the taxpayer.

17 (f) <u>F.</u> The provisions of this section shall not apply: (1) to 18 <u>1. To</u> refunds of income tax erroneously paid, refunds of which 19 tax shall be payable out of the income tax adjustment fund as 20 provided by law; (2) to

21 <u>2. To</u> estate tax because the payment of such tax is covered by 22 an order of the Tax Commission and the estate and interested parties 23 are given notice that Commission's position and computation of the 24

1 tax will become final unless they protest and resist the payment 2 thereof as provided by statute; nor, (3) in

3 <u>3. In</u> any case where the tax was paid after an assessment thereof was made by the Tax Commission which assessment became final under the law.

6 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 253, as 7 amended by Section 1, Chapter 273, O.S.L. 2014 (68 O.S. Supp. 2020, 8 Section 253), is amended to read as follows:

9 Section 253. A. When the Oklahoma Tax Commission files a 10 proposed assessment against corporations, limited liability 11 companies or other legal entities for unpaid sales taxes, mixed 12 beverage gross receipts tax collected pursuant to Section 5-105 of 13 Title 37A of the Oklahoma Statutes, withheld income taxes or motor 14 fuel taxes collected pursuant to Article 5, 6 or 7 of this title, 15 the Commission shall file such proposed assessments against the 16 individuals personally liable for the tax.

B. Any individual shall be liable for the payment of sales tax, mixed beverage gross receipts tax, withheld income tax or motor fuel tax if, during the period of time for which the assessment was made, the individual was responsible for withholding or collection and remittance of taxes or had direct control, supervision or responsibility for filing returns and making payments of the tax due the State of Oklahoma.

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C. Personal liability for sales tax, <u>mixed beverage gross</u>
 <u>receipts tax</u>, withheld income tax or motor fuel tax shall be
 determined in accordance with the standards for determining
 liability for payment of federal withholding tax pursuant to the
 Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or regulations
 promulgated pursuant to such section.

SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 255.1A of Title 68, unless there
is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

10 In order to facilitate and expedite the collection of any state 11 tax as authorized to be assessed and collected by any state agency, 12 the Oklahoma Tax Commission may enter into a contract with any state 13 agency to assist in the collection of any state tax, penalties or 14 interest in which that agency has the authority to collect and 15 enforce. For providing such collection assistance, the Tax 16 Commission shall charge the state agency a fee not in excess of ten 17 percent (10%) of the total amount actually collected. All funds 18 retained by the Tax Commission for collection services shall be 19 deposited in the Tax Commission Reimbursement Fund in the State 20 Treasury. The Oklahoma Tax Commission and the Oklahoma Employment 21 Security Commission may enter into a contract whereby the Tax 22 Commission shall have authority to collect and enforce the 23 unemployment tax, penalties and interest thereon. Such collection 24 and enforcement authority shall apply to any unemployment tax,

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1 penalties or interest where a determination that an employer owes 2 delinquent contributions, penalties or interest has become final, 3 and therefore, the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission shall be 4 entitled to proceed by levy to collect any delinquent contribution 5 and to collect any penalty or interest due and owing as a result of the delinquency. The contract shall provide for the collection and 6 7 enforcement of the unemployment tax, interest and penalties in the 8 same manner as the collection and enforcement of any state tax 9 payable by any taxpayer subject to taxation under any state tax law. 10 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 254, is 11 amended to read as follows:

12 Section 254. A. Upon a hearing with notice the Oklahoma Tax 13 Commission shall be entitled to proceed by garnishment to collect 14 any delinquent tax and to collect any penalty or interest due and 15 owing as a result of a tax delinquency. Provided, that upon proper 16 application under the procedures outlined herein, the court may 17 issue an order continuing the garnishment for the collection of 18 delinquent taxes, penalties or interest until the total amount of 19 such delinquent taxes, penalties or interest have been collected. 20 B. The Oklahoma Tax Commission may garnish the accrued earnings 21 of a delinquent taxpayer employee by sending notice to the 22 taxpayer's employer. For the purpose of this section, "earnings" 23 means any form of payment to an individual including, but not

24 limited to, salary, wages, commission or other compensation, but

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1	does not include reimbursements for travel expenses for state
2	employees. Such notice may be served by mail or by delivery by a
3	field agent of the Tax Commission to the taxpayer's employer along
4	with a copy to the delinquent taxpayer. Upon receipt of such notice
5	of delinquency, the employer shall withhold from compensation due,
6	or to become due to the employee, the total amount shown by the
7	notice. The Tax Commission may direct the employer to withhold part
8	of the amount due, not to exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of
9	earnings per pay period, until the total amount as shown by the
10	notice, plus interest and penalty, has been withheld and remitted to
11	the Tax Commission. The employer's response and calculation of
12	amounts withheld shall be on a form prescribed by the Tax
13	Commission.
14	C. Within seven (7) days after the end of each pay period, or
14 15	C. Within seven (7) days after the end of each pay period, or if the delinquent taxpayer does not have regular pay periods, within
15	if the delinquent taxpayer does not have regular pay periods, within thirty (30) days from the date of the notice, the employer shall
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15 16 17 18 19	<u>if the delinquent taxpayer does not have regular pay periods, within</u> <u>thirty (30) days from the date of the notice, the employer shall</u> <u>withhold amounts due or provide an explanation to the Tax Commission</u> <u>why amounts due will not be withheld and remitted to the Tax</u> <u>Commission. In any case in which the employee ceases to be employed</u>
15 16 17 18 19 20	if the delinquent taxpayer does not have regular pay periods, within thirty (30) days from the date of the notice, the employer shall withhold amounts due or provide an explanation to the Tax Commission why amounts due will not be withheld and remitted to the Tax Commission. In any case in which the employee ceases to be employed by the employer before the full amount set forth in the notice of
15 16 17 18 19 20 21	if the delinquent taxpayer does not have regular pay periods, within thirty (30) days from the date of the notice, the employer shall withhold amounts due or provide an explanation to the Tax Commission why amounts due will not be withheld and remitted to the Tax Commission. In any case in which the employee ceases to be employed by the employer before the full amount set forth in the notice of delinquency, plus delinquent penalty and interest, has been withheld

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1	respond by any means to the notice as provided in subsection B of
2	this section may be liable for the total amount as set forth in the
3	notice. The employer may not terminate the delinquent taxpayer
4	employee based upon the notice of administrative wage garnishment.
5	D. An administrative wage garnishment may be issued after
6	ninety (90) days in which the tax has become delinquent, notice has
7	been sent to the taxpayer of the delinquency and possible remedies
8	to resolve the delinquency have been provided to the taxpayer, and a
9	tax warrant has been issued and filed pursuant to Section 231 of
10	this title. The taxpayer shall have ten (10) days after the
11	issuance of the notice to the employer to provide any additional
12	information to the Tax Commission for the garnishment of wages to be
13	withdrawn or released by the Tax Commission. The Tax Commission
14	shall withdraw or adjust the garnishment for wages upon proof to the
15	satisfaction of the Tax Commission that the delinquent tax, interest
16	and penalty referred to in the notice have been paid or the taxpayer
17	can show the wages subject to garnishment are exempt pursuant to
18	state or federal law.
19	E. The Tax Commission shall prescribe or approve forms and
20	promulgate rules and regulations for implementing the provisions of
21	this section.
22	SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 255, is
23	amended to read as follows:
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1 Section 255. A. In order to facilitate and expedite the 2 collection of taxes more than ninety (90) days overdue from any taxpayer, the Oklahoma Tax Commission may enter into a contract with 3 4 a debt collection agency doing business in the State of Oklahoma or 5 in any other state for the collection of such delinquent taxes in addition to all other taxes accrued or accruing, including penalties 6 7 and interest thereon, from the taxpayer. The contract shall only authorize the debt collection agency to collect tax liabilities 8 9 which are already established and the Tax Commission shall not refer 10 accounts to the debt collection agency unless the Tax Commission has 11 notified the taxpayer, by first class mail, of the liability and has 12 made additional efforts to collect the debt. Provided, if a sales 13 tax permit holder fails to file two or more sales tax returns, as 14 required under Section 1365 of this title, or a taxpayer required to 15 remit withholding taxes fails to file two or more withholding tax 16 returns, as required under Section 2385.3 of this title, the Tax 17 Commission may refer the accounts to the debt collection agency 18 prior to the establishment of the tax liability, but only after the 19 Commission has notified the taxpayer as required under this 20 subsection.

B. If an account has been referred to a debt collection agency, the Tax Commission shall review all payments posted by the collection agency prior to commencing any further collection activity against the taxpayer. Further, the collection agency shall

1 review all payments posted by the Tax Commission prior to commencing any collection activity. The Tax Commission or the collection 2 agency shall, within ten (10) business days, provide the taxpayer 3 4 with a written confirmation of all payments received and any balance 5 due. In addition, the contract shall not authorize the debt collection agency to conduct audits or examine the books and records 6 7 of a taxpayer in any manner. The Tax Commission may also enter into a contract with a person doing business in the State of Oklahoma or 8 9 in any other state for the purpose of identifying and locating the 10 assets of such delinquent taxpayer. Such contracts authorized by 11 this section shall be subject to the provisions of the Oklahoma 12 Central Purchasing Act.

C. In addition to the authority provided in subsection A of this section, the Tax Commission may enter into a contract for the purpose of identifying nonresident businesses and individuals who are required by law to file and pay Oklahoma state taxes and who are presently unknown to the Tax Commission.

D. Prior to entering into such a contract with a debt collection agency, the Tax Commission shall require that the debt collection agency file a bond in the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00). The bond shall be a bond from a surety company chartered or authorized to do business in this state, cash bond, certificates of deposits, certificates of savings or U.S.

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Treasury bonds, as the Tax Commission may deem necessary to
 guarantee compliance with the terms of the contract.

3 Ε. Each contract entered into by the Tax Commission with a debt 4 collection agency, pursuant to the provisions of this section, shall 5 specify that fees for services rendered, reimbursements or other remuneration shall be based on the total amount of delinquent taxes, 6 7 including accrued penalties and interest, which is actually 8 collected. No costs shall be reimbursed unless authorized in the 9 contract. Each contract entered into between the Tax Commission and 10 a debt collection agency shall provide for the payment of fees for 11 such services, reimbursements or other remuneration not in excess of 12 thirty-five percent (35%) of the total amount of delinquent taxes, 13 penalty and interest actually collected. The debt collection agency 14 contract fee shall be added to the amount of the delinquent taxes, 15 accrued penalties and interest collected from the taxpayer. The 16 total amount of the delinquent tax, accrued penalties and interest, 17 and the debt collection agency contract fee shall be owed and 18 collected from the taxpayer.

F. Each contract entered into by the Tax Commission with a person for the purpose of identifying and locating assets of delinquent taxpayers shall specify the amount of money to be paid for the performance of such services. No costs shall be reimbursed unless authorized in the contract.

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1 G. All such funds collected by a debt collection agency, 2 including the fees for collection services as provided for in such contract, shall be remitted to the Tax Commission within five (5) 3 4 fifteen (15) days from the date of collection from a taxpayer. The 5 Tax Commission shall pay from such remitted fees the amount of fees to which such debt collecting agency is entitled for services 6 7 performed pursuant to the provisions of such contract. All assets of such delinquent taxpayers which are identified and located shall 8 9 be reported to the Tax Commission within five (5) fifteen (15) days 10 from the date of identification and location. Forms to be used for 11 such remittances and reports shall be prescribed by the Tax 12 Commission.

13 A debt collection agency entering into a contract with the Η. 14 Tax Commission or a person entering into a contract with the Tax 15 Commission for asset location purposes pursuant to this section 16 shall agree that it is receiving income from sources within this 17 state or doing business in this state for purposes of the Oklahoma 18 Debt collection agency employees and/or their agents tax laws. 19 shall not disclose confidential tax information except as authorized 20 by Section 205 of this title, subject to the penalties contained 21 therein.

22 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 1361.2, is 23 amended to read as follows:

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1 Section 1361.2 A. In order to claim the exemption authorized 2 by paragraph 34 of Section 1357 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes 3 this title, the person to whom the sale is made shall be required to 4 furnish the vendor proof of eligibility for the exemption as issued 5 by the Oklahoma Tax Commission. All vendors shall honor the proof of eligibility for sales tax exemption and sales for the benefit of 6 7 the disabled veteran to a person providing such proof shall be exempt from the tax levied pursuant to the Oklahoma Sales Tax Code. 8 9 B. A claim for refund of sales taxes erroneously paid may only 10 be made if a vendor refuses to honor the proof of eligibility issued 11 by the Tax Commission for the exemption authorized pursuant to 12 paragraph 34 of Section 1357 of this title and the person eligible 13 for the exemption submits to the Tax Commission a signed 14 notification of the vendor's denial of exemption on a form 15 prescribed by the Commission. 16 SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 1501, is 17 amended to read as follows: 18 Section 1501. As used in Sections 1501 through 1512 of this 19 title: 20 "Person" means any individual, partnership, association, 1. 21 limited liability company or corporation; 22 "Music device" means any and all mechanical devices which 2. 23 render, cause to sound, or release music where the same may be heard 24 by one or more public patrons, and each separate loudspeaker,

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phonograph, juke box, or outlet from which such music emits shall
each be construed to be a separate "music device" as herein defined;
except in the case where the music emits from more than one speaker
transmitting from the same music-producing mechanism, in which case
the several outlets or speakers in each place of business shall be
collectively considered one such music device;

7 "Coin-operated music device" means any such music device 3. which is operated, motivated, released, or played by or upon the 8 9 payment or insertion of a coin, token or similar object, whether 10 there is one or more boxes or devices in the premises for the 11 reception of such coin, tokens $\tau$  or similar objects; coin-operated 12 radio or television receiving sets in hotels, motels,  $\tau$  or tourist 13 cabins for the use and benefit of the quests and visitors of such 14 hotels, motels, or tourist rooms or cabins shall be included in such 15 definition:

16 4. "Coin-operated amusement device" means any and all 17 nongambling mechanical or electronic machines which, upon the 18 payment or insertion of a coin, token $_{\tau}$  or similar object, provide 19 music, amusement or entertainment, including, but not limited to, 20 such games as pool, phonographs, video television, shooting 21 galleries, pinball, foosball, bowling, shuffle board, or any other 22 amusement device with or without a replay feature which can be 23 legally shipped interstate according to federal law;

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1 5. "Coin-operated vending device" means any and all machines or 2 devices which, upon the payment or insertion of a coin, token or 3 similar object, dispenses tangible personal property, including but 4 not limited to cigarettes, candies, gum, cold drinks, hot drinks, 5 sandwiches<sub> $\tau$ </sub> or chips. It shall not mean vending machines or devices used exclusively for the purpose of selling services, such as pay 6 7 telephone booths, parking meters, gas and electric meters or other 8 distribution of needful service;

9 6. "Coin-operated bulk vending device" means a machine or 10 device which, upon the payment or insertion of a coin, token or 11 similar object dispenses to the purchaser ballpoint pens, combs, 12 cigarette lighters, prophylactics, filled capsules, peanuts, gum 13 balls, mints, perfume or novelties; and

14 7. "Coin-operated devices" means coin-operated music devices, 15 coin-operated amusement devices, coin-operated vending devices and 16 coin-operated bulk vending devices. Coin-operated devices shall not 17 include any device dispensing tangible personal property or 18 providing amusement where payment is made solely through the use of 19 a credit or debit card or other electronic or digital payment 20 process. 21 Section 5, Chapter 260, O.S.L. SECTION 8. AMENDATORY 22 2018 (68 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 2947.1), is amended to read as

23 follows:

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1	Section 2947.1 There is hereby created in the State Treasury <del>a</del>
2	revolving fund an agency special account for the Oklahoma Tax
3	Commission to be designated the "County Government Education-
4	Technical Revolving Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not
5	subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all monies
6	received by the Oklahoma Tax Commission from the apportionment for
7	the collection and distribution of documentary stamp revenues as
8	provided by <del>Section 3204 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes. All</del>
9	monies accruing to the credit of said fund are hereby appropriated
10	and may be budgeted and expended by the Oklahoma State University
11	Center for Local Government Technology and the Oklahoma Cooperative
12	Extension Service County Training Program for the purpose of
13	education, training, research, software and computer modernization.
14	The fund shall be subject to the oversight of the Commission on
15	County Government Personnel Education and Training. Amounts
16	deposited in any fiscal year shall be distributed by the Oklahoma
17	Tax Commission as provided in Section 6 of this act. Expenditures
18	from said fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State
19	Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law Sections 2947.2
20	and 2947.3 of this title.
21	SECTION 9. AMENDATORY Section 6, Chapter 260, O.S.L.
22	2018 (68 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 2947.2), is amended to read as
23	follows:

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Section 2947.2 A. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 1 2 June 30, 2022, and for each fiscal year thereafter, ten percent 3 (10%) deposited to the County Government Education-Technical 4 Revolving Fund in any fiscal year shall be distributed of the 5 revenue collected pursuant to Section 3204 of this title shall be apportioned by the Oklahoma Tax Commission monthly to the Oklahoma 6 7 Cooperative Extension Service for duties imposed on the Extension Service pursuant to Sections 130.1 through 130.7 and Section 1500 of 8 9 Title 19 of the Oklahoma Statutes and Section 3006 of Title 68 of 10 the Oklahoma Statutes this title. 11 B. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 June 30, 2022, and 12 for each fiscal year thereafter, eighty-eight and five-tenths

13 percent (88.5%) deposited to the County Government Education-14 Technical Revolving Fund in any fiscal year shall be distributed of 15 the revenue collected pursuant to Section 3204 of this title shall 16 be apportioned by the Oklahoma Tax Commission monthly to the 17 Oklahoma State University Center for Local Government Technology for 18 duties imposed pursuant to Sections 2816 and 2862 of Title 68 of the 19 Oklahoma Statutes this title related to any training, support, 20 professional development, and additional software necessary for 21 county assessors, treasurers and boards of equalization, and the 22 acquisition and administration of a computer-assisted mass appraisal 23 software system for county governments; provided, the Oklahoma State 24 University Center for Local Government Technology may delay the

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1 acquisition of such software until such time as sufficient funds are
2 available.

3 C. After the computer-assisted mass appraisal software 4 acquisition is complete and associated costs are paid, any county 5 which elects not to participate in the Oklahoma State University Center for Local Government Technology's computer-assisted mass 6 7 appraisal software system may apply to the Center for Local 8 Government Technology for a refund up to ten percent (10%) of such 9 county's deposit to the revolving fund annually annual documentary 10 stamp tax revenue apportionment received by the Center for Local 11 Government Technology; provided, if available funds are insufficient 12 for a ten-percent rebate, the percentage shall be adjusted so that 13 rebates may be paid.

14 SECTION 10. AMENDATORY Section 7, Chapter 260, O.S.L.
15 2018 (68 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 2947.3), is amended to read as
16 follows:

17 Section 2947.3 A. Within the County Government Education-18 Technical Revolving Fund there shall be established a reserve 19 account. The reserve account shall consist of any Any revenue not 20 otherwise apportioned pursuant to the provisions of subsection A or 21 subsection B of Section 6 of this act Section 2947.2 of this title 22 shall be deposited and maintained in the special agency account 23 created in Section 8 of this act subject to the procedures provided 24 in this section.

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B. The maximum balance for the reserve agency special account shall never exceed Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) at the end of each fiscal year.

The Oklahoma State University Center for Local Government 4 С. 5 Technology and the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service County Training Program may request permission to expend funds in the 6 7 reserve account from the Commission on County Government Personnel Education and Training. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall, upon 8 9 written notification of expenditure approval from the Commission on 10 County Government Personnel Education and Training, distribute from 11 the agency special account the approved amount, if available, to the 12 Oklahoma State University Center for Local Government Technology or 13 the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service County Training Program, 14 as applicable.

D. The balance in the reserve account of the County Government Education-Technical Revolving Fund special agency account shall serve as a contingency for adverse conditions if the distributions provided for in subsections A and B of Section 6 of this act Section <u>2947.2 of this title</u> are insufficient to support the purposes of education training, research, software and computer modernization of county governments.

E. For any fiscal year ending June 30, the Oklahoma Tax
 Commission shall transfer any amount of revenue in excess of Two
 Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) remaining in the reserve account of

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the County Government Education-Technical Revolving Fund special agency account to the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury. SECTION 11. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 3204, as amended by Section 4, Chapter 260, O.S.L. 2018 (68 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 3204), is amended to read as follows:

6 Section 3204. A. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall design such 7 stamps in such denominations as in its judgment it deems necessary for the administration of this tax. The Oklahoma Tax Commission 8 9 shall distribute the stamps to the county clerks of the counties of 10 this state, and the county clerks shall have the responsibility of 11 selling these stamps and shall have the further duty of accounting 12 for the stamps to the Oklahoma Tax Commission on the last day of 13 each month. Stamp metering machines or rubber stamps as prescribed 14 by the Oklahoma Tax Commission may be used by the county clerk, and 15 the expenses thereof shall be paid by the county concerned. The use 16 of meters or rubber stamps shall be governed by the Oklahoma Tax 17 Commission.

B. The county clerks shall account for all collections from the sales of such stamps to the Oklahoma Tax Commission, on the last day of each month. The first fifty-five cents (\$0.55) of each seventyfive cents (\$0.75) collected shall be apportioned as follows:

1. The county clerks shall retain five percent (5%) of all monies collected for such stamps as their cost of administration; and

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1 2. Of the remaining ninety-five percent (95%) the Oklahoma Tax 2 Commission shall transfer monthly to the County Government 3 Education-Technical Revolving Fund created by Section 5 of this act 4 apportion for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 June 30, 2022, 5 and for each fiscal year thereafter, Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) plus three percent (3%) of the remainder as provided 6 7 in Sections 2947.2 and 2947.3 of this title. The remainder of the collections shall be transferred by the Oklahoma Tax Commission to 8 9 the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury to be expended 10 pursuant to legislative appropriation.

11 C. The remaining twenty cents (\$0.20) of each seventy-five 12 cents (\$0.75) collected shall be paid into the county general fund. 13 SECTION 12. NEW LAW A new section of law not to be 14 codified in the Oklahoma Statutes reads as follows:

On the effective date of this act, all monies remaining in the County Government Education-Technical Revolving Fund shall be transferred to the agency special account created in Section 8 of this act.

SECTION 13. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 3624, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 313, O.S.L. 2019 (68 O.S. Supp. 2020, Section 3624), is amended to read as follows:

Section 3624. A. There is hereby created the Oklahoma Film
 Enhancement Rebate Program. A rebate in the amount of up to
 seventeen percent (17%) of documented expenditures made in Oklahoma

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directly attributable to the production of a film, television
production, or television commercial, as defined in Section 3623 of
this title, in this state, may be paid to the production company
responsible for the production. Provided, for documented
expenditures made after July 1, 2009, the rebate amount shall be
thirty-five percent (35%), except as provided in subsection B of
this section.

B. The amount of rebate paid to the production company as
provided for in subsection A of this section shall be increased by
an additional two percent (2%) of documented expenditures if a
production company spends at least Twenty Thousand Dollars
(\$20,000.00) for the use of music created by an Oklahoma resident
that is recorded in Oklahoma or for the cost of recording songs or
music in Oklahoma for use in the production.

C. The rebate program shall be administered by the Office of
the Oklahoma Film and Music Commission and the Oklahoma Tax
Commission, as provided in the Compete with Canada Film Act.

18 D. To be eligible for a rebate payment:

19 1. The production company responsible for a film, television 20 production, or television commercial, as defined in Section 3623 of 21 this title, made in this state shall submit documentation to the 22 Office of the Oklahoma Film and Music Commission of the amount of 23 wages paid for employment in this state to residents of this state 24 directly relating to the production and the amount of other

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1 production costs incurred in this state directly relating to the 2 production;

3 2. The production company has filed or will file any Oklahoma4 tax return or tax document which may be required by law;

5 3. Except major studio productions, the production company 6 shall provide the name of the completion guarantor and a copy of the 7 bond guaranteeing the completion of the project or if a film has not 8 secured a completion bond, the production company shall provide 9 evidence that all Oklahoma crew and local vendors have been paid and 10 there are no liens against the production company pending in the 11 state;

4. The minimum budget for the film shall be Fifty Thousand
Dollars (\$50,000.00) of which not less than Twenty-five Thousand
Dollars (\$25,000.00) shall be expended in this state;

15 5. The production company shall provide evidence of financing 16 for production prior to the commencement of principal photography; 17 and

18 6. The production company shall provide evidence of a 19 certificate of general liability insurance with a minimum coverage 20 of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) and a workers' compensation 21 policy pursuant to state law, which shall include coverage of 22 employer's liability.

E. A production company shall not be eligible to receive both a
rebate payment pursuant to the provisions of this act Section 3621

1 et seq. of this title and an exemption from sales taxes pursuant to 2 the provisions of paragraph 23 of Section 1357 of this title. If a 3 production company has received such an exemption from sales taxes 4 and submits a claim for rebate pursuant to the provisions of the 5 Compete with Canada Film Act, the company shall be required to fully repay the amount of the exemption to the Tax Commission. A claim 6 7 for a rebate shall include documentation from the Tax Commission that repayment has been made as required herein or shall include an 8 9 affidavit from the production company that the company has not 10 received an exemption from sales taxes pursuant to the provisions of 11 paragraph 21 of Section 1357 of this title.

12 F. The Office shall approve or disapprove all claims for rebate 13 and shall notify the Tax Commission. The Tax Commission shall, upon 14 notification of approval from the Office of the Film and Music 15 Commission, issue payment for all approved claims from funds in the 16 Oklahoma Film Enhancement Rebate Program Revolving Fund created in 17 Section 3625 of this title. Excluding any rebate payments to high 18 impact productions as provided for in subsection G of this section, 19 the amount of payments in claims prequalified and approved by the 20 Office for any single fiscal year shall not exceed Eight Million 21 Dollars (\$8,000,000.00). If the amount of approved claims exceeds 22 the amount specified in this subsection in a fiscal year, payments 23 shall be made in the order in which the claims are approved by the 24 Office. If an approved claim is not paid in whole or in part, the

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unpaid claim or unpaid portion may be paid in the following fiscal
 year subject to the limitations specified in this subsection. <u>The</u>
 <u>liability of the State of Oklahoma to make incentive payments</u>
 pursuant to this act shall be limited to the balance of the Oklahoma

5 Film Enhancement Rebate Program Revolving Fund.

G. 1. At the time the Office of the Film and Music Commission
rissues a conditional prequalification for a production, such
prequalification may include a proposed designation as a high impact
production, as defined in Section 3623 of this title.

The proposed designation must be approved by the Cabinet
 Secretary for Commerce and Tourism.

12 3. If the high impact production otherwise meets all of the 13 requirements of the Compete with Canada Act and the Office gives 14 final approval to rebate claims, such rebate claims shall not be 15 subject to the Eight Million Dollar (\$8,000,000.00) cap provided for 16 in subsection F of this section.

17 4. The payment of a rebate claim approved by the Office for a
18 production designated as a high impact production by the Cabinet
19 Secretary may be made as follows:

20a.by special appropriation to the Oklahoma Film21Enhancement Rebate Program Revolving Fund, if the22claim is approved during a regular or special session23of the Oklahoma Legislature, or

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1	b. by payment from the Oklahoma Quick Action Closing Fund
2	pursuant to Section 48.2 of Title 62 of the Oklahoma
3	Statues Statutes, if the claim is approved when the
4	Oklahoma Legislature is not in session.
5	SECTION 14. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.
6	Passed the House of Representatives the 8th day of March, 2021.
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8	Presiding Officer of the House
9	of Representatives
10	Passed the Senate the day of, 2021.
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