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## AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to tax preference limitations; amending 68 O.S. 2011, Sections 2357.4, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 329, O.S.L. 2016, 2357.22, as last amended by Section 12, Chapter 328, O.S.L. 2014, 2357.32A, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 44, O.S.L. 2017, 2357.41, 2357.302, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 153, O.S.L. 2017, 2357.303, as last amended by Section 2, Chapter 153, O.S.L. 2017, 2357.304, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 153, O.S.L. 2017, Section 1, Chapter 421, O.S.L. 2014, 2370.1, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 110, O.S.L. 2016, 3624, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 121, O.S.L. 2017 (68 O.S. Supp. 2017, Sections 2357.4, 2357.22, 2357.32A, 2357.302, 2357.303, 2357.304, 2357.403, 2370.1 and 3624), which relate to the business credit for investment or increase in full-time employees, credit for investments in qualified clean-burning motor fuel vehicle property or qualified electric motor vehicle property, tax credits for electricity generated by zero-emission facilities, tax credit for qualified rehabilitation expenditures, tax credit for tuition reimbursement for qualified employer, tax credit for qualified employer in aerospace sector, tax credit for qualified employee, tax credit for affordable housing, tax credit for guaranty fee, the Oklahoma Film Enhancement Rebate Program; reducing credit amount for certain tax years; extending credit cap; reducing credit rate for certain tax years; modifying credit formula for certain tax years; reducing cap on credit amount for certain tax years; reducing rebate rate for certain fiscal years; reducing rebate cap for certain fiscal years; updating statutory references; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

2 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2357.4, as

3 | last amended by Section 1, Chapter 329, O.S.L. 2016 (68 O.S. Supp.

2017, Section 2357.4), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2357.4. A. Except as otherwise provided in subsection F of Section 3658 of this title and in subsections J and K of this section, for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1987, there shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by Section 2355 of this title for:

- 1. Investment in qualified depreciable property placed in service during those years for use in a manufacturing operation, as defined in Section 1352 of this title, which has received a manufacturer exemption permit pursuant to the provisions of Section 1359.2 of this title or a qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility as defined in Section 1357 of this title in this state or a qualified web search portal as defined in Section 1357 of this title; or
- 2. A net increase in the number of full-time-equivalent employees in a manufacturing operation, as defined in Section 1352 of this title, which has received a manufacturer exemption permit pursuant to the provisions of Section 1359.2 of this title or a qualified aircraft maintenance or manufacturing facility defined in Section 1357 of this title in this state or in a qualified web

search portal as defined in Section 1357 of this title including employees engaged in support services.

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- B. Except as otherwise provided in subsection F of Section 3658 of this title and in subsections J and K of this section, for taxable years beginning after December 31, 1998, there shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by Section 2355 of this title for:
- 1. Investment in qualified depreciable property with a total cost equal to or greater than Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000.00) within three (3) years from the date of initial qualifying expenditure and placed in service in this state during those years for use in the manufacture of products described by any Industry Number contained in Division D of Part I of the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual, latest revision; or
- 2. A net increase in the number of full-time-equivalent employees in this state engaged in the manufacture of any goods identified by any Industry Number contained in Division D of Part I of the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Manual, latest revision, if the total cost of qualified depreciable property placed in service by the business entity within the state equals or exceeds Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000.00) within three (3) years from the date of initial qualifying expenditure.
- C. The business entity may claim the credit authorized by subsection B of this section for expenditures incurred or for a net

increase in the number of full-time-equivalent employees after the business entity provides proof satisfactory to the Oklahoma Tax Commission that the conditions imposed pursuant to paragraph 1 or paragraph 2 of subsection B of this section have been satisfied.

- D. If a business entity fails to expend the amount required by paragraph 1 or paragraph 2 of subsection B of this section within the time required, the business entity may not claim the credit authorized by subsection B of this section but shall be allowed to claim a credit pursuant to subsection A of this section if the requirements of subsection A of this section are met with respect to the investment in qualified depreciable property or net increase in the number of full-time-equivalent employees.
- E. The credit provided for in subsection A of this section, if based upon investment in qualified depreciable property, shall not be allowed unless the investment in qualified depreciable property is at least Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00). The credit provided for in subsection A or B of this section shall not be allowed if the applicable investment is the direct cause of a decrease in the number of full-time-equivalent employees. Qualified property shall be limited to machinery, fixtures, equipment, buildings or substantial improvements thereto, placed in service in this state during the taxable year. The taxable years for which the credit may be allowed if based upon investment in qualified depreciable property shall be measured from the year in which the

qualified property is placed in service. If the credit provided for in subsection A or B of this section is calculated on the basis of the cost of the qualified property, the credit shall be allowed in each of the four (4) subsequent years. If the qualified property on which a credit has previously been allowed is acquired from a related party, the date such property is placed in service by the transferor shall be considered to be the date such property is placed in service by the aggregate number of years for which credit may be allowed.

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The credit provided for in subsection A or B of this F. section, if based upon an increase in the number of full-timeequivalent employees, shall be allowed in each of the four (4) subsequent years only if the level of new employees is maintained in the subsequent year. In calculating the credit by the number of new employees, only those employees whose paid wages or salary were at least Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) during each year the credit is claimed shall be included in the calculation. Provided, that the first year a credit is claimed for a new employee, such employee may be included in the calculation notwithstanding paid wages of less than Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) if the employee was hired in the last three quarters of the tax year, has wages or salary which will result in annual paid wages in excess of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) and the taxpayer submits an affidavit stating that the employee's position will be retained in the following tax year and

- will result in the payment of wages in excess of Seven Thousand

  Dollars (\$7,000.00). The number of new employees shall be

  determined by comparing the monthly average number of full-time

  employees subject to Oklahoma income tax withholding for the final

  quarter of the taxable year with the corresponding period of the

  prior taxable year, as substantiated by such reports as may be

  required by the Tax Commission.
  - G. The credit allowed by subsection A of this section shall be the greater amount of either:
  - 1. One percent (1%) of the cost of the qualified property in the year the property is placed in service; or

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- 2. Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each new employee. No credit shall be allowed in any taxable year for a net increase in the number of full-time-equivalent employees if such increase is a result of an investment in qualified depreciable property for which an income tax credit has been allowed as authorized by this section.
- H. The credit allowed by subsection B of this section shall be the greater amount of either:
- 1. Two percent (2%) of the cost of the qualified property in the year the property is placed in service; or

One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for each new employee.

No credit shall be allowed in any taxable year for a net increase in the number of full-time-equivalent employees if such

increase is a result of an investment in qualified depreciable

property for which an income tax credit has been allowed as authorized by this section.

- I. Except as provided by subsection G of Section 3658 of this title, any credits allowed but not used in any taxable year may be carried over in order as follows:
- 1. To each of the four (4) years following the year of qualification;
- 2. To the extent not used in those years in order to each of the fifteen (15) years following the initial five-year period;
- 3. If a C corporation that otherwise qualified for the credits under subsection A of this section subsequently changes its operating status to that of a pass-through entity which is being treated as the same entity for federal tax purposes, the credits will continue to be available as if the pass-through entity had originally qualified for the credits subject to the limitations of this section;
- 4. To the extent not used in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this subsection, such credits from qualified depreciable property placed in service on or after January 1, 2000, may be utilized in any subsequent tax years after the initial twenty-year period; and
- 5. Provided, for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, and ending on or before December 31, 2018, the amount of credits available as an offset in a taxable year shall be limited to

the percentage calculated by the Tax Commission pursuant to the provisions of subsection L of this section.

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- J. No credit otherwise authorized by the provisions of this section may be claimed for any event, transaction, investment, expenditure or other act occurring on or after July 1, 2010, for which the credit would otherwise be allowable until the provisions of this subsection shall cease to be operative on July 1, 2012. Beginning July 1, 2012, the credit authorized by this section may be claimed for any event, transaction, investment, expenditure or other act occurring on or after July 1, 2010, according to the provisions of this section; provided, credits accrued during the period from July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2012, shall be limited to a period of two (2) taxable years. The credit shall be limited in each taxable year to fifty percent (50%) of the total amount of the accrued credit. Any tax credits which accrue during the period of July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2012, may not be claimed for any period prior to the taxable year beginning January 1, 2012. No credits which accrue during the period of July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2012, may be used to file an amended tax return for any taxable year prior to the taxable year beginning January 1, 2012.
  - K. Beginning January 1, 2017, except with respect to tax credits allowed from investment or job creation occurring prior to January 1, 2017, the credits authorized by this section shall not be allowed for investment or job creation in electric power generation

by means of wind as described by the North American Industry
Classification System, No. 221119.

L. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2018, and ending on or before December 31, 2019, the total amount of credits authorized by this section used to offset tax shall be adjusted annually to limit the annual amount of credits to Eighteen Million

Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$18,750,000.00). The Tax

Commission shall annually calculate and publish a percentage by which the credits authorized by this section shall be reduced so the total amount of credits used to offset tax does not exceed Eighteen

Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$18,750,000.00) per year. The formula to be used for the percentage adjustment shall be Eighteen Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars

(\$18,750,000.00) divided by the credits used to offset tax in the second preceding year.

M. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, and ending on or before December 31, 2018 2020, the total amount of credits authorized by this section used to offset tax shall be adjusted annually to limit the annual amount of credits to Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000.00). The Tax Commission shall annually calculate and publish a percentage by which the credits authorized by this section shall be reduced so the total amount of credits used to offset tax does not exceed Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000.00) per year. The formula to be used for the

- percentage adjustment shall be Twenty-five Million Dollars

  (\$25,000,000.00) divided by the credits used to offset tax in the

  second preceding year.
- M. N. Pursuant to subsection subsections L and M of this section, in the event the total tax credits authorized by this section exceed Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000.00) the annual limit in any calendar year, the Tax Commission shall permit any excess over Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$25,000,000.00) the annual limit but shall factor such excess into the percentage adjustment formula for subsequent years.
- SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2357.22, as last amended by Section 12, Chapter 328, O.S.L. 2014 (68 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 2357.22), is amended to read as follows:

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- Section 2357.22. A. For tax years beginning before January 1, 2020, there shall be allowed a one-time credit against the income tax imposed by Section 2355 of this title for investments in qualified clean-burning motor vehicle fuel property placed in service after December 31, 1990.
- B. As used in this section, "qualified clean-burning motor vehicle fuel property" means:
- 1. Equipment installed to modify a motor vehicle which is
  propelled by gasoline or diesel fuel so that the vehicle may be
  propelled by a hydrogen fuel cell, compressed natural gas, liquefied
  natural gas or liquefied petroleum gas; provided, equipment

installed on a vehicle propelled by a hydrogen fuel cell shall only be eligible for tax year 2010. The equipment covered by this paragraph must:

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- a. be new, not previously used to modify or retrofit any vehicle propelled by gasoline or diesel fuel and be installed by an alternative fuels equipment technician who is certified in accordance with the Alternative Fuels Technician Certification Act,
- b. meet all Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards set forth in 49 CFR 571, or
- c. for any commercial motor vehicle (CMV), follow the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations or Oklahoma Intrastate Motor Carrier Regulations;
- 2. A motor vehicle originally equipped so that the vehicle may be propelled by a hydrogen fuel cell, compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas or liquefied petroleum gas but only to the extent of the portion of the basis of such motor vehicle which is attributable to the storage of such fuel, the delivery to the engine of such motor vehicle of such fuel, and the exhaust of gases from combustion of such fuel. A motor vehicle originally equipped so that the vehicle may be propelled by a hydrogen fuel cell shall only be eligible for tax year 2010;
- 3. Property, not including a building and its structural components, which is:

a. directly related to the delivery of compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas or liquefied petroleum gas, or hydrogen, for commercial purposes or for a fee or charge, into the fuel tank of a motor vehicle propelled by such fuel including compression equipment and storage tanks for such fuel at the point where such fuel is so delivered but only if such property is not used to deliver such fuel into any other type of storage tank or receptacle and such fuel is not used for any purpose other than to propel a motor vehicle, or

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b. a metered-for-fee, public access recharging system for motor vehicles propelled in whole or in part by electricity. The property covered by this paragraph must be new, and must not have been previously installed or used to refuel vehicles powered by compressed natural gas, liquefied natural gas or liquefied petroleum gas, hydrogen or electricity.

Any property covered by this paragraph which is related to the delivery of hydrogen into the fuel tank of a motor vehicle shall only be eligible for tax year 2010; or

4. Property which is directly related to the compression and delivery of natural gas from a private home or residence, for noncommercial purposes, into the fuel tank of a motor vehicle

propelled by compressed natural gas. The property covered by this paragraph must be new and must not have been previously installed or used to refuel vehicles powered by natural gas.

- C. As used in this section, "motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle originally designed by the manufacturer to operate lawfully and principally on streets and highways.
- D. The Except as provided for in subsection J of this section,
  the credit provided for in subsection A of this section shall be as
  follows:
- 1. After the effective date of this act August 22, 2014, for the qualified clean-burning motor vehicle fuel property defined in paragraph 1 or 2 of subsection B of this section, forty-five percent (45%) of the cost of the qualified clean-burning motor vehicle fuel property;
- 2. For qualified clean-burning motor vehicle fuel property defined in paragraph 3 of subsection B of this section, a perlocation credit of seventy-five percent (75%) of the cost of the qualified clean-burning motor vehicle fuel property; and
- 3. For qualified clean-burning motor vehicle fuel property defined in paragraph 4 of subsection B of this section, a perlocation credit of the lesser of fifty percent (50%) of the cost of the qualified clean-burning motor vehicle fuel property or Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00).

E. In cases where no credit has been claimed pursuant to paragraph 1 of subsection D of this section by any prior owner and in which a motor vehicle is purchased by a taxpayer with qualified clean-burning motor vehicle fuel property installed by the manufacturer of such motor vehicle and the taxpayer is unable or elects not to determine the exact basis which is attributable to such property, the taxpayer may claim a credit in an amount not exceeding the lesser of ten percent (10%) of the cost of the motor vehicle or One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00).

- F. If the tax credit allowed pursuant to subsection A of this section exceeds the amount of income taxes due or if there are no state income taxes due on the income of the taxpayer, the amount of the credit not used as an offset against the income taxes of a taxable year may be carried forward as a credit against subsequent income tax liability for a period not to exceed five (5) years.
- G. A husband and wife who file separate returns for a taxable year in which they could have filed a joint return may each claim only one-half (1/2) of the tax credit that would have been allowed for a joint return.
- H. The Oklahoma Tax Commission is herein empowered to promulgate rules by which the purpose of this section shall be administered, including the power to establish and enforce penalties for violations thereof.

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I. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 2352 of this title, for the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2014, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Tax Commission shall calculate an amount that equals five percent (5%) of the cost of qualified clean-burning motor vehicle fuel property as provided for in paragraph 1 of subsection D of this section for tax year 2012. For each subsequent fiscal year thereafter, the Tax Commission shall perform the same computation with respect to the second tax year preceding the beginning of each subsequent fiscal year. The Tax Commission shall then transfer an amount equal to the amount calculated in this subsection from the revenue derived pursuant to the provisions of subsections A, B and E of Section 2355 of this title to the Compressed Natural Gas Conversion Safety and Regulation Fund created in Section 13 of this act 130.25 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
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- J. The credit otherwise authorized by the provisions of this section shall be reduced by twenty-five percent (25%) for any taxable year which begins on or after January 1, 2018, and ends on or before December 31, 2019. The provisions of this subsection shall not be applicable to tax credits carried forward from any tax year which began prior to January 1, 2018.
- SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2357.32A, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 44, O.S.L. 2017 (68 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 2357.32A), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2357.32A. A. Except as otherwise provided in subsection H of this section, for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2003, there shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by Section 2355 of this title to a taxpayer for the taxpayer's production and sale to an unrelated person of electricity generated by zero-emission facilities located in this state. As used in this section:

- 1. "Electricity generated by zero-emission facilities" means electricity that is exclusively produced by any facility located in this state with a rated production capacity of one megawatt (1 mw) or greater, constructed for the generation of electricity and placed in operation after June 4, 2001, and with respect to electricity generated by wind for any facility placed in operation not later than July 1, 2017, which utilizes eligible renewable resources as its fuel source. The construction and operation of such facilities shall result in no pollution or emissions that are or may be harmful to the environment, pursuant to a determination by the Department of Environmental Quality; and
  - 2. "Eligible renewable resources" means resources derived from:
    - a. wind,

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- b. moving water,
- c. sun, or
- d. geothermal energy.

B. For facilities placed in operation on or after January 1, 2003, and before January 1, 2007, the amount of the credit for the electricity generated on or after January 1, 2003, but prior to January 1, 2004, shall be seventy-five one-hundredths of one cent (\$0.0075) for each kilowatt-hour of electricity generated by zeroemission facilities. For electricity generated on or after January 1, 2004, but prior to January 1, 2007, the amount of the credit shall be fifty one-hundredths of one cent (\$0.0050) per kilowatthour for electricity generated by zero-emission facilities. electricity generated on or after January 1, 2007, but prior to January 1, 2012, the amount of the credit shall be twenty-five onehundredths of one cent (\$0.0025) per kilowatt-hour of electricity generated by zero-emission facilities. For facilities placed in operation on or after January 1, 2007, and before January 1, 2021, or with respect to electricity generated by wind for any facility placed in operation not later than July 1, 2017, the amount of the credit for the electricity generated on or after January 1, 2007, but not including electricity generated on or after January 1, 2018, and before January 1, 2020, shall be fifty one-hundredths of one cent (\$0.0050) for each kilowatt-hour of electricity generated by zero-emission facilities. For facilities placed in operation on or after January 1, 2007, and before January 1, 2021, or with respect to electricity generated by wind for any facility placed in operation not later than July 1, 2017, the amount of the credit for

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the electricity generated on or after January 1, 2018, and before

January 1, 2020, shall be three hundred seventy-five one-thousandths

of one cent (\$0.00375) for each kilowatt-hour of electricity

generated by zero-emission facilities.

- C. Credits may be claimed with respect to electricity generated on or after January 1, 2003, during a ten-year period following the date that the facility is placed in operation on or after June 4, 2001.
- D. 1. For credits generated prior to January 1, 2014, if the credit allowed pursuant to this section exceeds the amount of income taxes due or if there are no state income taxes due on the income of the taxpayer, the amount of the credit allowed but not used in any tax year may be carried forward as a credit against subsequent income tax liability for a period not exceeding ten (10) years.
- 2. For credits generated, but not used, on or after January 1, 2014, the Oklahoma Tax Commission shall refund, at the taxpayer's election, directly to the taxpayer eighty-five percent (85%) of the face amount of such credits. The direct refund of the credits pursuant to this paragraph shall be available to all taxpayers, including, without limitation, pass-through entities and taxpayers subject to Section 2355 of this title, but shall not be available to any entities falling within the provisions of subsection E of this section. The amount of any direct refund of credits actually received at the eighty-five percent (85%) level by the taxpayer

pursuant to this paragraph shall not be subject to the tax imposed by Section 2355 of this title. If the pass-through entity does not file a claim for a direct refund, the pass-through entity shall allocate the credit to one or more of the shareholders, partners or members of the pass-through entity; provided, the total of all credits refunded or allocated shall not exceed the amount of the credit or refund to which the pass-through entity is entitled. For the purposes of this paragraph, "pass-through entity" means a corporation that for the applicable tax year is treated as an S corporation under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, general partnership, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, trust or limited liability company that for the applicable tax year is not taxed as a corporation for federal income tax purposes.

E. Any nontaxable entities, including agencies of the State of Oklahoma or political subdivisions thereof, shall be eligible to establish a transferable tax credit in the amount provided in subsection B of this section. Such tax credit shall be a property right available to a state agency or political subdivision of this state to transfer or sell to a taxable entity, whether individual or corporate, who shall have an actual or anticipated income tax liability under Section 2355 of this title. These tax credit provisions are authorized as an incentive to the State of Oklahoma, its agencies and political subdivisions to encourage the expenditure

- of funds in the development, construction and utilization of
  electricity from zero-emission facilities as defined in subsection A
  of this section.
- For credits generated prior to January 1, 2014, the amount 4 5 of the credit allowed, but not used, shall be freely transferable at any time during the ten (10) years following the year of 6 qualification. Any person to whom or to which a tax credit is 7 transferred shall have only such rights to claim and use the credit 9 under the terms that would have applied to the entity by whom or by 10 which the tax credit was transferred. The provisions of this 11 subsection shall not limit the ability of a tax credit transferee to 12 reduce the tax liability of the transferee, regardless of the actual tax liability of the tax credit transferor, for the relevant taxable 13 period. The transferor initially allowed the credit and any 14 15 subsequent transferees shall jointly file a copy of any written transfer agreement with the Oklahoma Tax Commission within thirty 16 (30) days of the transfer. The written agreement shall contain the 17 name, address and taxpayer identification number or social security 18 number of the parties to the transfer, the amount of the credit 19 being transferred, the year the credit was originally allowed to the 20 transferor, and the tax year or years for which the credit may be 21 claimed. The Tax Commission may promulgate rules to permit 22 verification of the validity and timeliness of the tax credit 23 claimed upon a tax return pursuant to this subsection but shall not 24

promulgate any rules that unduly restrict or hinder the transfers of such tax credit. The tax credit allowed by this section, upon the election of the taxpayer, may be claimed as a payment of tax, a prepayment of tax or a payment of estimated tax for purposes of Section 1803 or Section 2355 of this title.

- G. For electricity generation produced and sold in a calendar year, the tax credit allowed by the provisions of this section, upon election of the taxpayer, shall be treated and may be claimed as a payment of tax, a prepayment of tax or a payment of estimated tax for purposes of Section 2355 of this title on or after July 1 of the following calendar year.
- H. No credit otherwise authorized by the provisions of this section may be claimed for any event, transaction, investment, expenditure or other act occurring on or after July 1, 2010, for which the credit would otherwise be allowable until the provisions of this subsection shall cease to be operative on July 1, 2011.

  Beginning July 1, 2011, the credit authorized by this section may be claimed for any event, transaction, investment, expenditure or other act occurring on or after July 1, 2010, according to the provisions of this section. Any tax credits which accrue during the period of July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011, may not be claimed for any period prior to the taxable year beginning January 1, 2012. No credits which accrue during the period of July 1, 2010, through June

30, 2011, may be used to file an amended tax return for any taxable year prior to the taxable year beginning January 1, 2012.

SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2357.41, is amended to read as follows:

Section 2357.41. A. Except as otherwise provided by subsection I of this section, for tax years beginning after December 31, 2000, there shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by Sections 2355 and 2370 of this title or that portion of the tax imposed by Section 624 or 628 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes that would otherwise have been apportioned to the General Revenue Fund for qualified rehabilitation expenditures incurred in connection with any certified historic hotel or historic newspaper plant building located in an increment or incentive district created pursuant to the Local Development Act or for qualified rehabilitation expenditures incurred after January 1, 2006, in connection with any certified historic structure.

B. The Except as otherwise provided for in subsection J, the amount of the credit shall be one hundred percent (100%) of the federal rehabilitation credit provided for in Section 47 of Title 26 of the United States Code. The credit authorized by this section may be claimed at any time after the relevant local governmental body responsible for doing so issues a certificate of occupancy or other document that is a precondition for the applicable use of the

building or structure that is the basis upon which the credit authorized by this section is claimed.

- C. All requirements with respect to qualification for the credit authorized by Section 47 of Title 26 of the United States

  Code shall be applicable to the credit authorized by this section.
- D. If the credit allowed pursuant to this section exceeds the amount of income taxes due or if there are no state income taxes due on the income of the taxpayer, the amount of the credit allowed but not used in any taxable year may be carried forward as a credit against subsequent income tax liability for a period not exceeding ten (10) years following the qualified expenditures.
- E. All rehabilitation work to which the credit may be applied shall be reviewed by the State Historic Preservation Office which will in turn forward the information to the National Park Service for certification in accordance with 36 C.F.R., Part 67. A certified historic structure may be rehabilitated for any lawful use or uses, including without limitation mixed uses and still retain eligibility for the credit provided for in this section.
- F. The amount of the credit allowed for any credit claimed for a certified historic hotel or historic newspaper plant building or any certified historic structure, but not used, shall be freely transferable, in whole or in part, to subsequent transferees at any time during the five (5) years following the year of qualification. Any person to whom or to which a tax credit is transferred shall

have only such rights to claim and use the credit under the terms that would have applied to the entity by whom or by which the tax credit was transferred. The provisions of this subsection shall not limit the ability of a tax credit transferee to reduce the tax liability of the transferee regardless of the actual tax liability of the tax credit transferor for the relevant taxable period. transferor of the credit and the transferee shall jointly file a copy of the written credit transfer agreement with the Oklahoma Tax Commission within thirty (30) days of the transfer. Such filing of the written credit transfer agreement with the Oklahoma Tax Commission shall perfect such transfer. The written agreement shall contain the name, address and taxpayer identification number of the parties to the transfer, the amount of credit being transferred, the year the credit was originally allowed to the transferor, the tax year or years for which the credit may be claimed, and a representation by the transferor that the transferor has neither claimed for its own behalf nor conveyed such credits to any other transferee. The Tax Commission shall develop a standard form for use by subsequent transferees of the credit demonstrating eligibility for the transferee to reduce its applicable tax liabilities resulting from ownership of the credit. Commission shall develop a system to record and track the transfers of the credit and certify the ownership of the credit and may promulgate rules to permit verification of the validity and

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- timeliness of a tax credit claimed upon a tax return pursuant to this subsection but shall not promulgate any rules which unduly restrict or hinder the transfers of such tax credit.
- G. Notwithstanding any other provisions in this section, on or after January 1, 2009, if a credit allowed pursuant to this section which has been transferred is subsequently reduced as the result of an adjustment by the Internal Revenue Service, Tax Commission, or any other applicable government agency, only the transferor originally allowed the credit and not any subsequent transferee of the credit, shall be held liable to repay any amount of disallowed credit.
  - H. As used in this section:

- 1. "Certified historic hotel or historic newspaper plant building" means a hotel or newspaper plant building that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places within thirty (30) months of taking the credit pursuant to this section.
- 2. "Certified historic structure" means a building that is listed on the National Register of Historic Places within thirty (30) months of taking the credit pursuant to this section or a building located in Oklahoma which is certified by the State Historic Preservation Office as contributing to the historic significance of a certified historic district listed on the National Register of Historic Places, or a local district that has been

certified by the State Historic Preservation Office as eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places; and

- 3. "Qualified rehabilitation expenditures" means capital expenditures that qualify for the federal rehabilitation credit provided in Section 47 of Title 26 of the United States Code and that were paid after December 31, 2000. Qualified rehabilitation expenditures do not include capital expenditures for nonhistoric additions except an addition that is required by state or federal regulations that relate to safety or accessibility. In addition, qualified rehabilitation expenditures do not include expenditures related to the cost of acquisition of the property.
- I. No credit otherwise authorized by the provisions of this section may be claimed for any event, transaction, investment, expenditure or other act occurring on or after July 1, 2010, for which the credit would otherwise be allowable until the provisions of this subsection shall cease to be operative on July 1, 2012.

  Beginning July 1, 2012, the credit authorized by this section may be claimed for any event, transaction, investment, expenditure or other act occurring on or after July 1, 2010, according to the provisions of this section. Any tax credits which accrue during the period of July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2012, may not be claimed for any period prior to the taxable year beginning January 1, 2012. No credits which accrue during the period of July 1, 2010, through June

- 1 | 30, 2012, may be used to file an amended tax return for any taxable 2 | year prior to the taxable year beginning January 1, 2012.
- 3 J. The credit otherwise authorized by the provisions of this 4 section shall be reduced by twenty-five percent (25%) for any
- 5 taxable year which begins on or after January 1, 2018, and ends
- 6 before January 1, 2020. The provisions of this subsection shall not
- 7 be applicable to tax credits carried forward from any tax year which
- 8 began prior to January 1, 2018.
- 9 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2357.302, as
- 10 last amended by Section 1, Chapter 153, O.S.L. 2017 (68 O.S. Supp.
- 11 2017, Section 2357.302), is amended to read as follows:
- 12 Section 2357.302. A. Except as provided in subsection
- 13 | subsections F and G of this section, for taxable years beginning
- 14 after December 31, 2008, and ending before January 1, 2026, a
- 15 | qualified employer shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed
- 16 pursuant to Section 2355 of this title for tuition reimbursed to a
- 17 | qualified employee.
- B. The credit authorized by subsection A of this section may be
- 19 claimed only if the qualified employee has been awarded an
- 20 undergraduate or graduate degree within one (1) year of commencing
- 21 employment with the qualified employer.
- 22 C. The credit authorized by subsection A of this section shall
- 23 be in the amount of fifty percent (50%) of the tuition reimbursed to
- 24 a qualified employee for the first through fourth years of

employment. In no event shall this credit exceed fifty percent

(50%) of the average annual amount paid by a qualified employee for

enrollment and instruction in a qualified program at a public

institution in Oklahoma.

- D. The credit authorized by subsection A of this section shall not be used to reduce the tax liability of the qualified employer to less than zero (0).
- E. No credit authorized by this section shall be claimed after the fourth year of employment.
- F. No credit otherwise authorized by the provisions of this section may be claimed for any event, transaction, investment, expenditure or other act occurring on or after July 1, 2010, for which the credit would otherwise be allowable. The provisions of this subsection shall cease to be operative on July 1, 2011.

  Beginning July 1, 2011, the credit authorized by this section may be claimed for any event, transaction, investment, expenditure or other act occurring on or after July 1, 2011, according to the provisions of this section.
  - G. The credit authorized by subsection A of this section shall, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2018, and ending before January 1, 2020, be in the amount of thirty-seven and five tenths percent (37.5%) of the tuition reimbursed to a qualified employee for the first through fourth years of employment. In no event shall this credit exceed thirty-seven and five tenths percent

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- 2 | for enrollment and instruction in a qualified program at a public
- 3 | institution in Oklahoma.
- 4 SECTION 6. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2357.303, as
- 5 | last amended by Section 2, Chapter 153, O.S.L. 2017 (68 O.S. Supp.
- 6 2017, Section 2357.303), is amended to read as follows:
- 7 Section 2357.303. A. Except as provided in subsection
- 8 | subsections F and G of this section, for taxable years beginning
- 9 after December 31, 2008, and ending before January 1, 2026, a
- 10 | qualified employer shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed
- 11 pursuant to Section 2355 of this title for compensation paid to a
- 12 | qualified employee.
- B. The credit authorized by subsection A of this section shall
- 14 be in the amount of:
- 1. Ten percent (10%) of the compensation paid for the first
- 16 through fifth years of employment in the aerospace sector if the
- 17 | qualified employee graduated from an institution located in this
- 18 | state; or
- 2. Five percent (5%) of the compensation paid for the first
- 20 through fifth years of employment in the aerospace sector if the
- 21 | qualified employee graduated from an institution located outside
- 22 | this state.

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C. The credit authorized by this section shall not exceed

Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500.00) for each qualified employee annually.

- D. The credit authorized by this section shall not be used to reduce the tax liability of the qualified employer to less than zero (0).
- E. No credit authorized pursuant to this section shall be claimed after the fifth year of employment.
- F. No credit otherwise authorized by the provisions of this section may be claimed for any event, transaction, investment, expenditure or other act occurring on or after July 1, 2010, for which the credit would otherwise be allowable. The provisions of this subsection shall cease to be operative on July 1, 2011.

  Beginning July 1, 2011, the credit authorized by this section may be claimed for any event, transaction, investment, expenditure or other act occurring on or after July 1, 2011, according to the provisions of this section.
- G. For the taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2018, and ending before January 1, 2020, the credit authorized by subsection A of this section shall be in the amount of:
- 1. Seven and five tenths percent (7.5%) of the compensation paid for the first through fifth years of employment in the aerospace sector if the qualified employee graduated from an institution located in this state; or

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2. Three and seventy-five hundredths percent (3.75%) of the compensation paid for the first through fifth years of employment in the aerospace sector if the qualified employee graduated from an institution located outside this state.
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SECTION 7. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2357.304, as last amended by Section 3, Chapter 153, O.S.L. 2017 (68 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 2357.304), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2357.304. A. Except as provided in subsection

subsections D and E of this section, for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2008, and ending before January 1, 2026, a

qualified employee shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed pursuant to Section 2355 of this title of up to Five Thousand

Dollars (\$5,000.00) per year for a period of time not to exceed five (5) years.

- B. The credit authorized by this section shall not be used to reduce the tax liability of the taxpayer to less than zero (0).
- C. Any credit claimed, but not used, may be carried over, in order, to each of the five (5) subsequent taxable years.
- D. No credit otherwise authorized by the provisions of this section may be claimed for any event, transaction, investment, expenditure or other act occurring on or after July 1, 2010, for which the credit would otherwise be allowable. The provisions of this subsection shall cease to be operative on July 1, 2011.

  Beginning July 1, 2011, the credit authorized by this section may be

- claimed for any event, transaction, investment, expenditure or other act occurring on or after July 1, 2011, according to the provisions of this section.
- E. The credit otherwise authorized by the provisions of this

  section shall be reduced by twenty-five percent (25%) for any

  taxable year which begins on or after January 1, 2018, and ends

  before January 1, 2020. The provisions of this subsection shall not

  be applicable to tax credits carried forward from any tax year which

  began prior to January 1, 2018.
- 10 SECTION 8. AMENDATORY Section 1, Chapter 421, O.S.L.
- 11 2014 (68 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 2357.403), is amended to read as follows:
- Section 2357.403. A. This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Oklahoma Affordable Housing Act".
- 15 B. As used in this section:

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- 1. "Allocation year" means the year for which the Oklahoma
  Housing Finance Agency allocates credits pursuant to this section;
- 2. "Eligibility statement" means a statement authorized and issued by the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency certifying that a given project qualifies for the Oklahoma Affordable Housing Tax Credit authorized by this section. The Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency, under Title 330, Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency, Chapter 36, Affordable Housing Tax Credit Program Rules, shall promulgate rules establishing criteria upon which the eligibility statements

- will be issued. The eligibility statement shall specify the amount of Oklahoma Affordable Housing Tax Credits allocated to a qualified project. The Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency shall only authorize the tax credits created by this section to qualified projects which are placed in service after July 1, 2015, but which shall not be used to reduce tax liability accruing prior to January 1, 2016;
  - 3. "Federal low-income housing tax credit" means the federal tax credit as provided in Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended;

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- 4. "Oklahoma Affordable Housing Tax Credit" means the tax credit created by this section;
- 5. "Qualified project" means a qualified low-income building as that term is defined in Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, which is located in this state in a county with a population of less than one hundred fifty thousand (150,000) according to the latest Federal Decennial Census; and
- 6. "Taxpayer" means a person, firm or corporation subject to the tax imposed by Section 2355 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes or an insurance company subject to the tax imposed by Section 624 or 628 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes or other financial institution subject to the tax imposed by Section 2370 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- C. For Except as otherwise provided for in subsection L qualified projects placed in service after July 1, 2015, the amount

of state tax credits created by this section which are allocated to a project shall be equal to that of the federal low-income housing tax credits for a qualified project. The total Oklahoma Affordable Housing Tax Credits allocated to all qualified projects for an allocation year shall not exceed Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00). For purposes of this section, the "credit period" shall mean the period of ten (10) taxable years and "placed in service" shall have the same meaning as is applicable under the federal credit program.

- D. A taxpayer owning an interest in an investment in a qualified project shall be allowed Oklahoma Affordable Housing Tax Credits under this section for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, if the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency issues an eligibility statement for such project, which tax credit shall be allocated among some or all of the partners, members or shareholders of the taxpayer owning such interest in any manner agreed to by such partners, members or shareholders. Such taxpayer may assign its interest in the investment.
- E. An insurance company claiming a credit against state premium tax or retaliatory tax or any other tax imposed by Section 624 or 628 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall not be required to pay any additional retaliatory tax under Section 628 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes as a result of claiming the credit. The credit

- may fully offset any retaliatory tax imposed by Section 628 of Title 36 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- F. The credit authorized by this section shall not be used to reduce the tax liability of the taxpayer to less than zero (\$0.00).
- G. Any credit claimed but not used in a taxable year may be carried forward to each of the five (5) subsequent taxable years.
- H. The owner of a qualified project eligible for the credit authorized by this section shall submit, at the time of filing the tax return with the Oklahoma Tax Commission, an eligibility statement from the Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency. In the case of failure to attach the eligibility statement, no credit under this section shall be allowed with respect to such project for that year until required documents are provided to the Tax Commission.
- I. If under Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, a portion of any federal low-income housing credits taken on a qualified project is required to be recaptured during the first ten (10) years after a project is placed in service, the taxpayer claiming Oklahoma Affordable Housing Tax Credits with respect to such project shall also be required to recapture a portion of such credits. The amount of Oklahoma Affordable Housing Tax Credits subject to recapture shall be proportionally equal to the amount of federal low-income housing credits subject to recapture.

J. The Oklahoma Housing Finance Agency or the Oklahoma Tax
Commission may require the filing of additional documentation
necessary to determine the accuracy of a tax credit claimed.

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- K. The Oklahoma Affordable Housing Act shall undergo a review every five (5) years by a committee of nine (9) persons, to be appointed three persons each by the Governor, President Pro Tempore of the Oklahoma State Senate and the Speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives.
- L. The credit otherwise authorized by the provisions of this section shall be reduced by twenty-five percent (25%) for any taxable year which begins on or after January 1, 2018, and ends before January 2020. The provisions of this subsection shall not be applicable to tax credits carried forward from any tax year which began prior to January 1, 2018.
- SECTION 9. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2370.1, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 110, O.S.L. 2016 (68 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 2370.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 2370.1. A. There Except as provided for in subsection G, there shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by Section 2370 of this title for any state banking association, national banking association and credit union organized under the laws of this state for the amount of the guaranty fee paid by the banking association or credit union to the United States Small

Business Administration pursuant to the "7(a)" loan guaranty program.

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- B. The credit authorized by this section may be claimed for guaranty fees paid on or after January 1, 2000, and before January 1, 2019.
- C. No credit may be claimed pursuant to this section if, pursuant to the agreement between the banking association or credit union and the entity to which proceeds are made available, the banking association or credit union adds the amount of the SBA 7(a) loan guaranty fee to the amount financed by the borrower or in any other way recovers the guaranty fee amount from the borrower.
- D. The credit authorized by this section may be claimed and if not fully used in the initial year for which the credit is claimed may be carried over, in order, to each of the five (5) succeeding taxable years. The credit authorized by this section may not be used to reduce the tax liability of the credit claimant below zero (0).
- E. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall prepare a report regarding the amount of tax credits claimed as authorized by this section.

  The report shall be submitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate not later than March 31 of each year.
- F. Pursuant to Section 46A of Title 62 of the Oklahoma Statutes, there shall be a measurable goal of retaining and/or

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1 creating two thousand jobs per year in Oklahoma for the credit
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G. The credit otherwise authorized by the provisions of this

section shall be reduced by twenty-five percent (25%) for any

taxable year which begins on or after January 1, 2018, and ends

before January 1, 2020. The provisions of this subsection shall not

be applicable to tax credits carried forward from any tax year which

SECTION 10. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 3624, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 121, O.S.L. 2017 (68 O.S. Supp. 2017, Section 3624), is amended to read as follows:

Enhancement Rebate Program. A rebate in the amount of up to seventeen percent (17%) of documented expenditures made in Oklahoma 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, but not including expenditures made after June 30, 2018, and before July 1, 2020, the rebate amount shall be thirty-five percent (35%), except as provided in subsection B of this section. For documented expenditures made after December 31, 2017, and before January 1, 2020, the rebate amount shall be

twenty-six and twenty-five hundredths percent (26.25%), 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.
  - D. To be eligible for a rebate payment:

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- 1. The production company responsible for a film, television production, or television commercial, as defined in Section 3623 of this title, made in this state shall submit documentation to the Office of the Oklahoma Film and Music Commission of the amount of wages paid for employment in this state to residents of this state directly relating to the production and the amount of other production costs incurred in this state directly relating to the production;
- 2. The production company has filed or will file any Oklahoma tax return or tax document which may be required by law;

3. Except major studio productions, the production company shall provide the name of the completion guarantor and a copy of the bond guaranteeing the completion of the project or if a film has not secured a completion bond, the production company shall provide evidence that all Oklahoma crew and local vendors have been paid and there are no liens against the production company pending in the 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;
- 5. The production company shall provide evidence of financing for production prior to the commencement of principal photography; and
- 6. The production company shall provide evidence of a certificate of general liability insurance with a minimum coverage of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) and a workers' compensation policy pursuant to state law, which shall include coverage of employer's liability.
- E. A production company shall not be eligible to receive both a rebate payment pursuant to the provisions of this act the Compete with Canada Film Act and an exemption from sales taxes pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 21 of Section 1357 of this title. If a production company has received such an exemption from sales taxes and submits a claim for rebate pursuant to the provisions of the

Compete with Canada Film Act, the company shall be required to fully repay the amount of the exemption to the Tax Commission. A claim for a rebate shall include documentation from the Tax Commission that repayment has been made as required herein or shall include an affidavit from the production company that the company has not received an exemption from sales taxes pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 21 of Section 1357 of this title.

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F. The Office shall approve or disapprove all claims for rebate and shall notify the Tax Commission. The Tax Commission shall, upon notification of approval from the Office of the Film and Music Commission, issue payment for all approved claims from funds in the Oklahoma Film Enhancement Rebate Program Revolving Fund created in Section 3625 of this title. Provided, no claims for rebate for expenditures made on or after July 1, 2009, shall be paid prior to July 1, 2010. The amount of payments in any single fiscal year shall, not including fiscal year 2019 and fiscal year 2020, not exceed Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00). The amount of payments in fiscal year 2019 and fiscal year 2020 shall not exceed Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000.00) for each fiscal year. If the amount of approved claims exceeds the amount specified in this subsection in a fiscal year, payments shall be made in the order in which the claims are approved by the Office. If an approved claim is not paid in whole or in part, the unpaid claim or unpaid portion may be paid

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