1	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION
2	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
3	1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)
4	ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 473 By: Rader of the Senate
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10	An Act relating to public finance; amending 62 O.S. 2011, Sections 842 and 843, which relate to the
11	Oklahoma Local Development and Enterprise Zone Incentive Leverage Act; deleting obsolete language
12	due to previously repealed statute; modifying data used to calculate certain maximum investment amount;
13 14	modifying qualifying dates for an incentive or increment district; modifying qualifying dates for investment and development for certain certification
15	by Oklahoma Department of Commerce; and declaring an emergency.
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18	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
19	SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2011, Section 842, is
20	amended to read as follows:
21	Section 842. A. An enterprise which locates its facility
22	within an enterprise zone or which expands its existing facility
23	after the designation of an enterprise zone as authorized by law and
24	which is located in an incentive district as authorized pursuant to

1 the provisions of the Local Development Act shall be eligible for 2 the state local enterprise matching payment authorized pursuant to 3 subsection A of Section 844 of this title.

A local governmental entity which approves a project 4 в. 1. 5 plan pursuant to the provisions of the Local Development Act within an enterprise zone or in support of a major tourism destination 6 7 project which the local governmental entity determines is likely to significantly benefit contiguous or nearby enterprise zone census 8 9 tracts shall be eligible for the state local government matching 10 payment authorized pursuant to subsection D of Section 844 of this title; provided, no state local government matching payment shall be 11 12 made for project costs in relation to:

13 a. any gambling establishment, or

b. any development within a project plan that provides
for more than ten percent (10%) of the net leasable
space of such development to be used for retail

17 purposes.

18 State local government matching payments shall not be used to 19 supplant local revenue currently being expended within the increment 20 district boundaries.

In order to be eligible for state local government matching
 payments for approving a project within an enterprise zone, a local
 governmental entity shall provide to the Oklahoma Department of

Commerce as part of the application provided for in subsection J of
 this section:

3	a.	an estimate of incremental revenues likely to be
4		derived from the project, and
5	b.	certification that all projects described within the
6		related project plan will generate, in the aggregate,
7		a minimum of either One Million Dollars
8		(\$1,000,000.00) in payroll, exclusive of payroll for
9		construction, or Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00)
10		in investment.

In order to be eligible for state local government matching payments in support of a major tourism destination project, a local governmental entity shall provide to the Oklahoma Department of Commerce as part of the application provided for in subsection J of this section:

16	a.	an estimate of incremental revenues new to the state
17		likely to be derived from the project,
18	b.	certification that the major tourism destination meets
19		the applicable criteria described in paragraph 12 of
20		Section 841 of this title, and
21	с.	an agreement to provide payment to the Oklahoma
22		Department of Commerce to defray the costs of the
23		study required by paragraph 4 of this subsection.

1 4. To determine if a project qualifies as a major tourism 2 destination project pursuant to subparagraph b of paragraph 12 of Section 841 of this title and to assist in other required 3 determinations, the Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall cause a 4 5 market and feasibility study to be conducted by an independent consultant with experience in the conduct of such studies. Upon 6 7 review of the feasibility report, the Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall make its finding as to the reasonable probability 8 9 that the proposed project is a major tourism destination project as 10 provided in subparagraph b of paragraph 12 of Section 841 of this 11 title.

12 C. For purposes of the Oklahoma Local Development and Enterprise Zone Incentive Leverage Act, an enterprise engaged in a 13 retail activity, where otherwise prohibited by the Oklahoma 14 15 Enterprise Zone Act for purposes of the benefits and incentives 16 extended pursuant to the Oklahoma Enterprise Zone Act, shall be considered an eligible enterprise for purposes of the state local 17 enterprise matching payment and the income tax credit authorized by 18 the Oklahoma Local Development and Enterprise Zone Incentive 19 Leverage Act. 20

D. The combined maximum amount of state local enterprise
matching payments and the amount of income tax credit authorized
pursuant to Section 2357.81 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes for

an enterprise per fiscal year shall not exceed Two Hundred Thousand
 Dollars (\$200,000.00).

3 Except as provided in subsection H of this section, for Ε. purposes of the Oklahoma Local Development and Enterprise Zone 4 5 Incentive Leverage Act, the maximum amount of aggregate investment in all qualifying facilities located in any single county which can 6 7 qualify for a state local enterprise matching payment pursuant to subsection A of Section 844 of this title or for an income tax 8 9 credit as authorized by Section 2357.81 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma 10 Statutes shall be computed for each county of the state by 11 multiplying Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) times the population of 12 the county according to the 1999 most recent estimate provided by 13 the United States Bureau of the Census prior to the date an application is made. 14

F. The computation required by subsection E of this section
shall be the maximum amount of aggregated investment qualifying for
the purposes of all enterprises for the duration of the Oklahoma
Local Development and Enterprise Zone Incentive Leverage Act.

19 G. The aggregate investment limit for all facilities located 20 within a county which may qualify for the state local enterprise 21 matching payments pursuant to subsection A of Section 844 of this 22 title or for an income tax credit as authorized by Section 2357.81 23 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall:

Not be less than Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00) for
 counties with a population of less than one hundred thousand
 (100,000) persons; and

4 2. Not be greater than Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000.00)5 for all other counties of the state.

The aggregate limit for all state local government matching 6 Η. 7 payments made to any public entity on behalf of any local governmental entity within a single county pursuant to subsection D 8 9 of Section 844 of this title for the duration of the Oklahoma Local 10 Development and Enterprise Zone Incentive Leverage Act shall be an 11 amount equal to the net benefit rate multiplied by the taxable gross 12 sales derived from the project over the period of apportionment of local sales taxes, as certified by the Secretary of Commerce. 13

The payments authorized by Section 844 of this title and the 14 I. 15 income tax credit authorized by Section 2357.81 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes shall be available for business and governmental 16 entities qualifying pursuant to the Local Development Act for 17 investments made within an incentive district or for improvements 18 made within an increment district prior to December 31, 2007, or for 19 which an incentive district or an increment district has been 20 created prior to December 31, 2018 December 31, 2028, if the 21 investments or improvements are begun not later than  $\frac{1}{2}$ 22 2019 December 31, 2029. 23

1 The Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall promulgate rules J. 2 to establish a procedure for an enterprise or local governmental 3 entity to make application for state local enterprise and state local government matching payments pursuant to this section. 4 Such 5 rules shall reflect the intent that the Oklahoma Local Development and Enterprise Zone Incentive Leverage Act be fiscally neutral to 6 the state. 7

8 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2011, Section 843, is 9 amended to read as follows:

10 Section 843. A. In order to receive the state local enterprise 11 matching payment pursuant to the provisions of subsection A of 12 Section 844 of this title, the enterprise shall obtain a 13 certification, provided by the governing body of the local governmental entity creating the incentive district, acknowledged by 14 15 the chief elected official of the local governing body that the enterprise has qualified pursuant to the Local Development Act for 16 sales tax exemption. The certification document shall include: 17

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1. The beginning date of the exemption;

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2. The ending date of the exemption;

3. The total amount of projected investment to construct or
 expand the facility during the period for which the incentives
 available pursuant to the Local Development Act will be in force and
 effect together with a certification by the Oklahoma Department of
 Commerce that the facility is located in an enterprise zone; and

4. The legal name and business entity classification of the
 entity to which exemption is afforded or to which sales tax payment
 is made by the local governmental entity or entities pursuant to the
 provisions of the Local Development Act.

5 B. The local governing body shall provide a copy of the6 certification document to the Oklahoma Tax Commission.

C. After the enterprise provides a certification from the local governing body, the Tax Commission shall make payment to the enterprise identified in the certification document equal to the amount of the sales tax from which the enterprise is certified as exempt as identified in the certification in the manner prescribed by subsection A of Section 844 of this title.

D. The state local enterprise matching payment shall be made only for sales tax foregone by local governmental entities or rebated to the business enterprise by local entities for purchases made by the business enterprise and not on the basis of any sales tax collected by the business enterprise from consumers or users on taxable sales made by the enterprise.

E. In order to receive the state local governmental matching payment pursuant to the provisions of subsection D of Section 844 of this title, the local governmental entity shall provide to the Tax Commission a certification, acknowledged by its mayor or chairperson, that such local governmental entity has created an increment district pursuant to the Local Development Act which

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1 qualifies for a state local government matching payment. The 2 certification document shall include:

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1. The beginning date of the increment district;

2. The ending date of the increment district;

3. A description of the project costs authorized by the project
plan for which the state local government matching payments will be
used and the estimated date for substantial completion of the
project being assisted as described in the application;

9 4. A certification by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce that
10 the project plan is located in an enterprise zone or supports a
11 qualifying major tourism destination project, and that the
12 qualifying investment and development has been or will be
13 substantially completed no later than December 31, 2024 December 31,
14 2034;

5. The amount of the local sales taxes which have been
apportioned during the previous six-month period by the local
governmental entity for the payment of project costs pursuant to the
provisions of the Local Development Act; and

The name of the public entity identified in the project plan
 pursuant to Section 858 of this title as the entity authorized to
 carry out activities pursuant to the project plan.

After the local governmental entity provides such certification, the Tax Commission shall make payment to the designated public entity in an amount equal to the lesser of the certified amount of

1	the local sales taxes apportioned during the previous six (6) months	
2	or the estimated net direct state benefits as prescribed by	
3	subsection D of Section 844 of this title.	
4	SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation	
5	of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby	
6	declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and	
7	be in full force from and after its passage and approval.	
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9	COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND BUDGET, dated 04/11/2019 - DO PASS.	
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