1	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION
2	STATE OF OKLAHOMA
3	1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021)
4	ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 71 By: Bergstrom of the Senate
5	and
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7	McDugle of the House
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9	An Act relating to the Oklahoma Local Development and Enterprise Zone Incentive Leverage Act; amending 62
10	0.S. 2011, Sections 842, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 69, O.S.L. 2020 and 847 (62 O.S. Supp.
11	2020, Section 842), which relate to program administration; modifying required content of
12	specified rules promulgated by Oklahoma Department of Commerce; deleting obsolete reference; requiring
13	certain information be included in specified Oklahoma Tax Commission report; and providing an effective
14	date.
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17	BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:
18	SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2011, Section 842, as last
19	amended by Section 1, Chapter 69, O.S.L. 2020 (62 O.S. Supp. 2020,
20	Section 842), is 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 Β. 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 any gambling establishment, or a. any development within a project plan that provides 14 b. for more than fifty percent (50%) of the net leasable 15 space of such development to be used for retail 16 purposes except for such portions of a development 17 which includes grocery or specialty food store 18 enterprises defined under NAICS Manual Industry Group 19 No. 4451 or 4452 that provide healthy nutrition 20 options including fresh fruits, vegetables, whole 21 grains, seeds, nuts and healthy protein and that 22 improve access within one-half (1/2) mile of any low 23

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1 2 income and low access geographies identified by the United States Department of Agriculture.

3 State local government matching payments shall not be used to
4 supplant local revenue currently being expended within the increment
5 district boundaries.

6 2. In order to be eligible for state local government matching
7 payments for approving a project within an enterprise zone, a local
8 governmental entity shall provide to the Oklahoma Department of
9 Commerce as part of the application provided for in subsection J of
10 this section:

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

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:

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

9 4. To determine if a project qualifies as a major tourism 10 destination project pursuant to subparagraph b of paragraph 12 of Section 841 of this title and to assist in other required 11 12 determinations, the Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall cause a market and feasibility study to be conducted by an independent 13 consultant with experience in the conduct of such studies. Upon 14 review of the feasibility report, the Oklahoma Department of 15 Commerce shall make its finding as to the reasonable probability 16 that the proposed project is a major tourism destination project as 17 provided in subparagraph b of paragraph 12 of Section 841 of this 18 title. 19

C. For purposes of the Oklahoma Local Development and
Enterprise Zone Incentive Leverage Act, an enterprise engaged in a
retail activity, where otherwise prohibited by the Oklahoma
Enterprise Zone Act for purposes of the benefits and incentives
extended pursuant to the Oklahoma Enterprise Zone Act, shall be

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considered an eligible enterprise for purposes of the state local
 enterprise matching payment authorized by the Oklahoma Local
 Development and Enterprise Zone Incentive Leverage Act.

D. The maximum amount of state local enterprise matching
payments for an enterprise per fiscal year shall not exceed Two
Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00).

7 Ε. Except as provided in subsection H of this section, for purposes of the Oklahoma Local Development and Enterprise Zone 8 9 Incentive Leverage Act, the maximum amount of aggregate investment 10 in all qualifying facilities located in any single county which can 11 qualify for a state local enterprise matching payment pursuant to subsection A of Section 844 of this title shall be computed for each 12 county of the state by multiplying Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) 13 times the population of the county according to the most recent 14 15 estimate provided by the United States Bureau of the Census prior to the date an application is made. 16

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.

G. The aggregate investment limit for all facilities located within a county which may qualify for the state local enterprise matching payments pursuant to subsection A of Section 844 of this title 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.

6 Η. The aggregate limit for all state local government matching 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 13 local sales taxes, as certified by the Secretary of Commerce.

The payments authorized by Section 844 of this title shall 14 I. 15 be available for business and governmental entities qualifying pursuant to the Local Development Act for investments made within an 16 17 incentive district or for improvements made within an increment district prior to December 31, 2007, or for which an incentive 18 district or an increment district has been created prior to December 19 31, 2028, if the investments or improvements are begun not later 20 than December 31, 2029. 21

J. The Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall promulgate rules to establish for administration of the Oklahoma Local Development and Enterprise Zone Incentive Leverage Act. Such rules shall: <u>1. Include</u> a procedure for an enterprise or local governmental
 entity to make application for state local enterprise and state
 local government matching payments pursuant to this section. Such
 <del>rules shall reflect;</del>

5 <u>2. Reflect</u> the intent that the Oklahoma Local Development and 6 Enterprise Zone Incentive Leverage Act be fiscally neutral to the 7 state; and

<u>3. Establish reporting requirements for successful applicants</u>
which allow data collection and analysis by the Department on
employment, capital investment, changes in assessed value of a
project and other impacts resulting from payments and reporting of
<u>such data by the Department to the Oklahoma Tax Commission for the</u>
<u>purposes of subsection B of Section 847 of this title</u>.

14 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2011, Section 847, is 15 amended to read as follows:

Section 847. A. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall maintain a 16 record of state local enterprise matching payments and state local 17 government matching payments made pursuant to Section 844 of this 18 19 title and a record of income tax credits claimed pursuant to Section 2357.81 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes. Local sales taxes 20 apportioned under the applicable project plan shall be reported, 21 collected, remitted, and disbursed in the same manner as other local 22 sales taxes under Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes. 23

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1	B. The Tax Commission shall prepare a report separately
2	identifying the amounts described in subsection A of this section
3	and data collection and analysis prepared by the Oklahoma Department
4	of Commerce pursuant to subsection J of Section 842 of this title.
5	The Commission shall submit the report prior to April 1 each year to
6	the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the
7	President Pro Tempore of the Senate.
8	SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021.
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10	COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS AND COMMERCE, dated 04/07/2021 - DO PASS.
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