## 1 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - FLOOR VERSION 2 STATE OF OKLAHOMA 3 2nd Session of the 56th Legislature (2018) ENGROSSED SENATE 4 BILL NO. 977 By: Sharp of the Senate 5 and 6 Echols and Wallace of the 7 House 8 9 An Act relating to public finance; amending 62 O.S. 10 2011, Section 891.12, which relates to the Oklahoma Community Economic Development Pooled Finance Act; 11 updating references; modifying prohibition against 12 simultaneous participation in specified incentive programs; authorizing participation in specified incentive programs if certain conditions are met; 13 requiring certain agreement and specifying contents thereof; and declaring an emergency. 14 15 16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 17 SECTION 1. 62 O.S. 2011, Section 891.12, is 18 AMENDATORY amended to read as follows: 19 20 Section 891.12. A. As used in this section: "Estimated direct state benefits" means the tax revenues 21 projected by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce to accrue to the 22 23 state as a result of new direct jobs;

- 2. "Estimated indirect state benefits" means the indirect new tax revenues projected by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce to accrue to the state, including, but not limited to, revenue generated from ancillary support jobs directly related to the primary business;
- 3. "Estimated direct state costs" means the costs projected by the Department to accrue to the state as a result of new direct jobs. Such costs shall include, but not be limited to:
  - a. the costs of education of new state resident children,
  - b. the costs of public health, public safety and transportation services to be provided to new state residents,
  - c. the costs of other state services to be provided to new state residents, and
  - d. the costs of other state services; and
- 4. "Estimated indirect state costs" means the costs projected by the Department to accrue to the state as a result of new indirect jobs. Such costs shall include, but not be limited to, costs enumerated in subparagraphs a, b, c and d of paragraph 3 of this subsection.
- B. A for-profit business entity that would otherwise qualify to receive or benefit from proceeds from the issuance of obligations by the Authority from the Economic Development Pool shall be required to obtain a determination letter from the Oklahoma Department of

1 Commerce that the business activity of the entity will result in a 2 positive net benefit rate, to be computed by the Department of 3 Commerce using a methodology which provides for the analysis of estimated direct state benefits, estimated indirect state benefits, 4 5 estimated direct state costs and estimated indirect state costs. The Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall use such information as it 6 7 determines to be relevant for the analysis required by this subsection including, but not limited to, the type of business 8 9 activity in which the entity is engaged or will be engaged, amount 10 of capital investment, type of assets acquired or utilized by the 11 business entity, economic effect of the business activity within the 12 relevant geographic region and such other factors as the Department 13 determines to be relevant. The Oklahoma Department of Commerce may use information regarding the business entity alone or in 14 15 conjunction with relevant information regarding other business 16 activity in a geographically relevant area surrounding the principal business location of the primary business entity in order to perform 17 the computation of the net benefit rate. If the result of the 18 analysis is a positive net benefit rate, the business entity shall 19 be allowed to capture withholding taxes associated with new jobs or 20 with existing jobs as otherwise provided by this act the Oklahoma 21 Community Economic Development Pooled Finance Act. The Oklahoma 22 Department of Commerce shall transmit a determination letter to the 23 authorized representative of the business entity and shall also 24

- transmit a copy of the determination letter to the Oklahoma Tax Commission and to the Oklahoma Development Finance Authority, regardless of whether the result is a positive or negative net benefit rate. The Oklahoma Development Finance Authority shall not allow a business entity to use captured withholding tax revenues for purposes of any pooled financing otherwise authorized by this act the Oklahoma Community Economic Development Pooled Finance Act unless the Oklahoma Department of Commerce has previously transmitted a determination letter that reveals a positive net
  - C. Any for-profit business entity that receives proceeds from the issuance of any obligations by the Authority from the Economic Development Pool may be required by the applicable local government entity to enter into such agreements as may be required between the entity, the local government entity, the Authority and the Oklahoma Tax Commission to provide for the segregation of withholding taxes attributable to new direct jobs created or existing payroll retained by the for-profit business entity in connection with the asset or assets acquired, constructed or improved with such proceeds.
  - D. The amount of withholding taxes subject to the provisions of this section shall, together with other revenue sources or commitments and undertakings by the for-profit business entity or third parties, be sufficient to make payment of any required

benefit rate for the business entity.

- principal, interest, adequate reserves or other authorized costs for the borrowing by the Authority.
- E. The Authority shall have such power of approval regarding the amount and duration of withholding tax segregation pursuant to the provisions of this section in order to ensure payment of its obligations and to promote the marketability of such obligations.
- F. The Authority shall obtain information from the for-profit business entity as may be required in order to determine the necessary amount of segregated withholding taxes attributable to new direct jobs or existing payroll.
- G. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall determine with respect to the withholding taxes attributable to the income of employees engaged in new direct jobs or existing jobs for a for-profit business entity participating in a pooled financing pursuant to the Oklahoma Community Economic Development Pooled Finance Act the amount of such withholding taxes required to be deposited to the credit of the Community Economic Development Pooled Finance Revolving Fund.
- H. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall make a deposit in the Community Economic Development Pooled Finance Revolving Fund in accordance with any applicable agreement entered into by a forprofit business entity participating in a pooled financing pursuant to the Oklahoma Community Economic Development Pooled Finance Act.

1	I. No for-profit business entity that benefits from proceeds of
2	obligations issued by the Authority from the Economic Development
3	Pool may receive or continue to receive incentive payments pursuant
4	to the Oklahoma Quality Jobs Program Act <del>or claim any investment tax</del>
5	credits otherwise authorized pursuant to Section 2357.4 of Title 68
6	of the Oklahoma Statutes during the period of time that any
7	withholding taxes attributable to the payroll of such entity are
8	being paid to the Community Economic Development Pooled Finance
9	Revolving Fund or in any manner used for the payment of principal,
0	interest or other costs associated with any obligations issued by
1	the Authority pursuant to the provisions of this act the Oklahoma
2	Community Economic Development Pooled Finance Act.

- J. A for-profit business entity that benefits from proceeds of obligations issued by the Oklahoma Development Finance Authority from the Economic Development Pool may claim investment tax credits otherwise authorized pursuant to Section 2357.4 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes during the period of time that any withholding taxes attributable to the payroll of such entity are being paid to the Community Economic Development Pooled Finance Revolving Fund if the business entity meets the following requirements on or after the effective date of this act:
- 1. Makes a capital investment of no less than Five Hundred Million Dollars (\$500,000,000.00); and
  - 2. Creates two thousand five hundred (2,500) new direct jobs.

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- K. Upon approval by the Authority pursuant to subsection J of
- this section, the Oklahoma Development Finance Authority and the
- Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall enter into an agreement with
  - the company that sets forth the conditions for payment of monies
  - from the Community Economic Development Pooled Finance Revolving
  - Fund. The agreement must include:
    - 1. The total amount of funds and tax credits awarded;
    - 2. The performance conditions that must be met to obtain the
  - award including, but not limited to, net new employment in the
  - state, average salary, and total capital investment;
    - 3. If appropriate, a baseline of current service and measure of
  - enhanced capability;
    - 4. The methodology of validating performance;
    - The schedule of payments from the fund, and claw-back
  - provisions for failure to meet performance conditions; and
    - 6. A requirement that no monies paid from the Community
  - Economic Development Pooled Finance Revolving Fund shall be used by
    - a recipient or any other person or entity for purposes of any
  - political contribution to or on behalf of any candidate or for the
  - support of or opposition to any measure including, but not limited
- to, an initiative petition or referendum. 21
  - SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation
- of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby

declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval. COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND BUDGET, dated 03/26/2018 - DO PASS, As Coauthored.