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STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 60th Legislature (2025)

SENATE BILL 119 By: Green

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to economic development; creating investment rebate program until certain date; providing qualifying criteria; requiring submission of application; requiring the Oklahoma Department of Commerce to approve or disapprove certain claims and issue payment; limiting source of payments; making payments contingent upon deposits to certain fund; providing amount of rebate; authorizing conditional pre-qualification; creating the Commerce Energy Manufacturing Activity Development Fund; establishing fund procedures; providing sources of funds; providing for expenditures from fund; directing transfer of unencumbered fund upon certain date; making appropriation; directing deposit in certain fund; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

A new section of law to be codified SECTION 1. NEW LAW in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3648.1 of Title 68, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

There is hereby created until July 1, 2031, an investment Α. rebate program for the cost of qualified capital expenditures, as defined by Section 3645.3 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes, by

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establishments defined by Section 3645.3 of Title 68 of the Oklahoma Statutes, that:

- 1. Refine, manufacture, or process compounds or elements into hydrogen-based products, including the production of blue hydrogen through the process of autothermal reforming (ATR) and green hydrogen through the process of electrolysis, and the refining of domestically produced crude oil into cleaner transportation fuels in industries defined or classified in the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Manual under Subsector 324 or 325;
- 2. Generate and store emission free power and energy in industries defined or classified in the NAICS Manual under Subsector 221, and water production from waste heat and ambient air; and
- 3. Have acquired at least a six hundred (600) acre parcel of real property located within this state, where the qualified capital will be located.
- B. To be eligible for consideration for an investment rebate payment awarded under the provisions of this act, the establishment shall:
- 1. Submit an application and documentation to the Oklahoma

 Department of Commerce, as required by the Department, outlining a

 capital expenditure plan in this state associated with qualified

 capital expenditures totaling no less than Seven Hundred Fifty

 Million Dollars (\$750,000,000.00);

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- 2. Have made qualified capital expenditures no less than twenty percent (20%) of the capital expenditure plan outlined in the application submitted by the primary establishment and approved by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce, pursuant to the provisions of this act; and
- Have filed all Oklahoma tax returns and tax documents required by law.
- C. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no investment expenditure shall be utilized for calculation purposes that results in the qualification of more than one establishment under the provisions of this act, for investment rebate payments based on the same expenditure.
- The Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall approve or disapprove claims for rebates and shall issue payment for all approved claims from funds held in the Commerce Energy Manufacturing Activity Development Fund created in Section 2 of this act.
- 2. The Department shall disapprove all applications and claims or any portion of applications and claims for rebates that would exceed the balance of available funds in the Commerce Energy Manufacturing Activity Development Fund.
- The total amount of applications approved and investment rebate payments awarded under the provisions of this act shall not exceed the total amount of monies designated by law for deposit to the Commerce Energy Manufacturing Activity Development Fund.

Req. No. 682 Page 3 E. 1. Subject to the approval and ongoing review of the eligibility application by the Oklahoma Department of Commerce, the investment rebate payment authorized by this act shall be equal to six and sixty-seven one-hundredths percent (6.67%) of the cost of the qualified capital expenditure in the year of expenditure.

2. The Department is authorized to conditionally pre-qualify and account for anticipated future investment rebate payments. The Oklahoma Department of Commerce shall not pre-qualify investment rebate payments, encumber funds, pre-encumber funds, or otherwise allocate resources that would result in the allocation of investment rebate payments in excess of the balance of available funds in the Commerce Energy Manufacturing Activity Development Fund.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 3648.2 of Title 68, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a fund for the Oklahoma Department of Commerce to be designated the "Commerce Energy Manufacturing Activity Development Fund". The fund shall be a continuing fund, not subject to fiscal year limitations, and shall consist of all monies designated for deposit to the fund by law. All monies accruing to the credit of the fund are hereby appropriated and may be budgeted and expended by the Department for the purpose of paying rebates as provided in this act. Expenditures from the fund shall be made upon warrants issued by the State

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Treasurer against claims filed as prescribed by law with the Director of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services for approval and payment. B. All unencumbered funds remaining in the Commerce Energy Manufacturing Activity Development Fund upon July 1, 2031, shall be transferred to the State Treasurer for deposit in the General Revenue Fund. SECTION 3. There is hereby appropriated to the Oklahoma Department of Commerce for deposit in the Commerce Energy Manufacturing Activity Development Fund, from any monies not otherwise appropriated from the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, the sum of Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000.00). SECTION 4. This act shall become effective July 1, 2025. SECTION 5. 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. 60-1-682 QD 12/26/2024 6:17:07 PM

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