STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 82 By: Mazzei

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to tax credits; amending 68 O.S. 2011, Section 2357.41, which relates to credits against various tax types for certain rehabilitation expenditures; modifying time period during which certain tax credits are allowed; providing condition under which credits are allowed after specified date; and providing contingent effective date.

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

SECTION 1. 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, and unless reauthorized pursuant to subsection J of this section, ending before January 1, 2019, 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 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. The 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. The Tax 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 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 30, 2012, may be used to file an amended tax return for any taxable year prior to the taxable year beginning January 1, 2012.

J. The credit provided pursuant to this section shall only be allowed for expenditures made on or after January 1, 2019, if the Oklahoma Legislature reauthorizes this section after review of the report required pursuant to paragraph 14 of Section 5017 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 2. This act shall not become effective as law unless Senate Bill No. 72 of the 1st Session of the 55th Oklahoma Legislature becomes effective as law.

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