

1 1. "Certified sponsor" means an entity or organization
2 authorized to promote and conduct a quality event, which is
3 incurring expenses for the promotion of such event to be conducted
4 within the corporate limits of an eligible municipality or an
5 unincorporated area within a county;

6 2. ~~"Economic impact study" means a study which includes:~~

7 a. ~~a description and, if applicable, history of the~~
8 ~~quality event,~~

9 b. ~~information regarding the site selection process for~~
10 ~~the quality event,~~

11 c. ~~an estimate of the expenses anticipated to be incurred~~
12 ~~in connection with hosting the quality event,~~

13 d. ~~an estimate of the total gross sales made by vendors~~
14 ~~during any period of time during which no quality~~
15 ~~event activity occurs,~~

16 e. ~~a detailed estimate of the anticipated increase in~~
17 ~~sales tax revenue directly attributable to the quality~~
18 ~~event,~~

19 f. ~~the general economic impact likely to occur as a~~
20 ~~result of the preparation for, occurrence of and~~
21 ~~activity occurring in connection with the dissolution~~
22 ~~of, a quality event, and~~

23 g. ~~any additional information the Oklahoma Tax Commission~~
24 ~~may require;~~

1 ~~3.~~ "Eligible local support amounts" means:

- 2 a. any payment made by a local government entity or
3 transfer of monies from the general fund or transfer
4 of tax revenues derived from a locally imposed tax to
5 a certified sponsor for the purpose of attracting,
6 promoting, advertising, organizing, conducting or
7 otherwise supporting a quality event, or
8 b. any direct payment made by a certified sponsor to a
9 for-profit or nonprofit entity, other than the host
10 community, for the purpose of attracting, promoting,
11 advertising, organizing, conducting or otherwise
12 supporting a quality event;

13 ~~4.~~ 3. "Event history" means:

- 14 a. historical information on the event including past
15 locations of the event,
16 b. a description of previous attempts by the host
17 community to secure the event,
18 c. information regarding attempts by other communities to
19 recruit the event, and
20 d. if applicable, the competitive bidding process for
21 securing the event by the host community;

22 ~~5.~~ 4. "Host community" means any county, incorporated city or
23 town, or any combination of counties, incorporated cities or towns
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1 of the state which are authorized by their respective governing
2 bodies to host or assist in the presentation of a quality event;

3 ~~6.~~ 5. "Incremental sales tax revenue" means the amount of
4 additional state sales tax revenue collected as a result of the
5 quality event, as determined by ~~an economic impact study verified by~~
6 the Oklahoma Tax Commission based on actual documentation;

7 ~~7.~~ 6. "New event" means a quality event which did not occur
8 within a period of twenty-four (24) months prior to the month during
9 which a quality event is held;

10 ~~8.~~ 7. "Quality event" means:

- 11 a. a new event or a meeting of a nationally recognized
12 organization or its members,
- 13 b. a new or existing event that is a national,
14 international or world championship, or
- 15 c. a new or existing event that is managed or produced by
16 an Oklahoma-based national or international
17 organization;

18 ~~9.~~ 8. "Recurring event" means a quality event which occurred at
19 least once within the twenty-four (24) months prior to the month
20 during which a quality event is held;

21 ~~10.~~ 9. "State sales tax revenue" means the proceeds from the
22 state sales tax levy imposed pursuant to Section 1354 of this title
23 upon taxable transactions occurring as a result of the quality
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1 event, as determined by ~~an economic impact study verified by the~~
2 Oklahoma Tax Commission based on actual documentation; and

3 ~~11.~~ 10. "Vendors" means those persons or business entities
4 making taxable sales of tangible personal property or services as a
5 result of the quality event, as determined by ~~an economic impact~~
6 ~~study verified by the~~ Oklahoma Tax Commission based on actual
7 documentation and, unless the context otherwise requires, shall have
8 the same meaning as defined by Section 1352 of this title.

9 SECTION 3. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 4304, as
10 last amended by Section 3, Chapter 3, O.S.L. 2014 (68 O.S. Supp.
11 2017, Section 4304), is amended to read as follows:

12 Section 4304. A. Not later than six (6) months prior to the
13 initial date of a quality event, a host community may designate:

- 14 1. The dates during which a quality event will be hosted; and
15 2. The type of expenses eligible for distribution of captured
16 revenues to the host community including, but not limited to,
17 advertising, facility rental, promotional materials and security.

18 B. Any designation made by a host community for purposes of
19 ~~this act~~ the Oklahoma Quality Events Incentive Act shall be made
20 pursuant to an ordinance or resolution duly adopted by the governing
21 body of the host community.

22 C. A host community may only designate one quality event during
23 the time frame in which a designated quality event will occur.
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1 D. Within thirty (30) days of the date on which the host
2 community adopts an ordinance or resolution pursuant to subsection A
3 of this section, such host community shall submit to the Oklahoma
4 Tax Commission, on such forms as the Tax Commission may prescribe, a
5 copy of such ordinance or resolution, ~~an economic impact study~~ and
6 the event history. The Oklahoma Tax Commission shall designate a
7 single employee or division responsible for processing information,
8 making determinations and any other duties related to the Oklahoma
9 Quality Events Incentive Act.

10 E. Within sixty (60) days from the date of receipt of the
11 information from the host community as required by subsection D of
12 this section, the Tax Commission shall approve or disapprove, in
13 whole or in part, the ~~economic impact study for the purposes of this~~
14 ~~act. In making its determination, the Tax Commission shall consider~~
15 ~~whether or not the economic impact study contains the elements~~
16 ~~required in paragraph 2 of Section 4303 of this title and whether or~~
17 ~~not the information provided is validly documented and based on~~
18 ~~generally accepted economic and statistical standards used for~~
19 ~~purposes of similar studies~~ submission and analysis of the required
20 information. The Oklahoma Department of Commerce and the Oklahoma
21 Tourism and Recreation Department shall provide such assistance and
22 information as requested by the Tax Commission ~~to approve or~~
23 ~~disapprove an economic impact study.~~

1 SECTION 4. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 4305, as
2 amended by Section 4, Chapter 3, O.S.L. 2014 (68 O.S. Supp. 2017,
3 Section 4305), is amended to read as follows:

4 Section 4305. A. The host community shall provide to the
5 Oklahoma Tax Commission detailed information disclosing the total
6 amount of eligible local support amounts for purposes of determining
7 the amount of incremental state sales tax revenue that may be paid
8 to a host community in which a quality event occurs.

9 B. The Tax Commission shall verify the amount of eligible local
10 support amounts prior to making any payment to a host community.

11 C. After the conclusion of an event, the host community shall
12 provide information related to the event, such as attendance
13 figures, financial information or other public information held by
14 the host community that the Tax Commission considers necessary to
15 evaluate the actual economic impact of the event.

16 D. The Tax Commission shall compare the total amount of
17 eligible local support amounts with the total amount of incremental
18 state sales tax revenues remitted by vendors, such revenues to be
19 established ~~through the economic impact study~~ based on actual
20 documentation.

21 E. If the Tax Commission determines through an analysis of the
22 ~~economic impact study~~ actual documentation that the total amount of
23 incremental state sales tax revenues is zero, no payment shall be
24 made to a host community.

1 F. If the Tax Commission determines through an analysis of the
2 ~~economic impact study~~ actual documentation that the total amount of
3 incremental state sales tax revenues is greater than zero, but less
4 than the total amount of eligible local support amounts, the Tax
5 Commission shall make payment, subject to the limitations of
6 subsection I of this section, to the host community of the quality
7 event in an amount equal to the incremental state sales tax
8 revenues.

9 G. If the Tax Commission determines through an analysis of the
10 ~~economic impact study~~ actual documentation that the total amount of
11 incremental state sales tax revenues is at least equal to the amount
12 of eligible local support amounts, the Tax Commission shall make
13 payment, subject to the limitations of subsection I of this section,
14 to the host community in which the quality event occurs in an amount
15 equal to, but not greater than, the eligible local support amounts.

16 H. No payment shall be made to any host community from a source
17 other than the incremental state sales tax revenues, if any, derived
18 from state sales tax remittances of vendors as a result of the
19 quality event, as determined by ~~an economic impact study verified by~~
20 the Oklahoma Tax Commission.

21 I. No payment shall be made to any host community in excess of
22 Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) for a single
23 quality event regardless of the amount of eligible local support
24 paid by the host community.

1 SECTION 5. AMENDATORY 68 O.S. 2011, Section 4309, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 Section 4309. The Oklahoma Tax Commission may promulgate such
4 rules as may be necessary to implement the provisions of ~~this act~~
5 ~~including, but not limited to, any rules governing the accuracy of~~
6 ~~the economic impact study~~ the Oklahoma Quality Events Incentive Act.

7 ~~SECTION 6. This act shall become effective July 1, 2018.~~

8 ~~SECTION 7. It being immediately necessary for the preservation~~
9 ~~of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby~~
10 ~~declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and~~
11 ~~be in full force from and after its passage and approval.~~

12 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
13 February 28, 2018 - DO PASS AS AMENDED
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