

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 3979

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to public finance; amending 62 O.S. 2021, Sections 891.7 and 891.8, which relate to the Oklahoma Economic Development Pooled Finance Act; increasing Infrastructure Pool cap amount; increasing Economic Development Pool cap amount; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2021, Section 891.7, is amended to read as follows:

Section 891.7. A. The Authority shall be authorized to act as a conduit issuer for the benefit of two or more eligible local government entities for an authorized infrastructure project using the Infrastructure Pool.

B. The Authority shall be authorized to issue its obligations in order to provide net proceeds on a pooled basis not to exceed ~~One Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00)~~ One Hundred Twenty-five Million Dollars (\$125,000,000.00) for the Infrastructure Pool. The Authority shall be authorized to issue obligations within the limit

1 prescribed by this subsection based upon the defeasance of  
2 previously issued obligations.

3 C. Except as otherwise provided by subsection F of this  
4 section, proceeds from the Infrastructure Pool shall be for the  
5 purpose of providing financing for two or more eligible local  
6 government entities for an authorized infrastructure project located  
7 in this state involving a pooled financing.

8 D. Sixty-five percent (65%) of the net proceeds from the  
9 Infrastructure Pool shall be used by the Authority for the benefit  
10 of eligible local government entities the population of which,  
11 according to the most recent Federal Decennial Census, does not  
12 exceed three hundred thousand (300,000) persons for any  
13 participating municipality.

14 E. Thirty-five percent (35%) of the net proceeds from the  
15 Infrastructure Pool may be used by the Authority for the benefit of  
16 any and all eligible local government entities regardless of  
17 population.

18 F. The proceeds from the Infrastructure Pool may also be used  
19 for the purposes authorized by Section 891.8 of this title.

20 SECTION 2. AMENDATORY 62 O.S. 2021, Section 891.8, is  
21 amended to read as follows:

22 Section 891.8. A. The Authority shall be authorized to act as  
23 a conduit issuer for the benefit of one or more eligible local  
24 government entities or for the benefit of one or more local

1 government entities in conjunction with a for-profit business entity  
2 for an authorized economic development project using the Economic  
3 Development Pool.

4 B. The Authority shall be authorized to issue its obligations  
5 in order to provide net proceeds on a pooled basis not to exceed ~~One~~  
6 ~~Hundred Million Dollars (\$100,000,000.00)~~ One Hundred Twenty-five  
7 Million Dollars (\$125,000,000.00) for the Economic Development Pool.

8 The Authority shall be authorized to issue obligations within the  
9 limit prescribed by this subsection based upon the defeasance of  
10 previously issued obligations.

11 C. Except as otherwise provided by subsection G of this  
12 section, proceeds from the Economic Development Pool shall be for  
13 the purpose of providing financing for an eligible local government  
14 entity or entities or for the benefit of a business entity for an  
15 authorized economic development project located in this state.

16 D. Sixty-five percent (65%) of the net proceeds from the  
17 Economic Development Pool shall be used by the Authority for the  
18 benefit of eligible local government entities the population of  
19 which, according to the most recent Federal Decennial Census, does  
20 not exceed three hundred thousand (300,000) persons for any  
21 participating municipality.

22 E. Thirty-five percent (35%) of the net proceeds from the  
23 Economic Development Pool may be used by the Authority for the  
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1 benefit of any and all eligible local government entities regardless  
2 of population.

3 F. Obligations issued pursuant to the provisions of this  
4 section may be issued on a tax-exempt basis if the applicable  
5 provisions of federal law governing private activity bonds allow  
6 such issuance. Otherwise, the obligations issued pursuant to the  
7 provisions of this section shall be issued on a taxable basis.

8 G. The proceeds from the Economic Development Pool may also be  
9 used for the purposes authorized by Section 891.7 of this title.

10 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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