1 ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 2753 By: Caldwell (Trey) and Hill of 2 the House 3 and Howard of the Senate 4 5 6 7 [Oklahoma Rural Jobs Act - capital investment tax credits - expansion of program - additional 8 9 offering - administration - effective date] 10 11 12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: 13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY Section 4, Chapter 354, O.S.L. 14 2022 (68 O.S. Supp. 2024, Section 3933), is amended to read as 15 follows: 16 Section 3933. A. The Department shall certify capital 17 investment authority under the provisions of this act in amounts 18 that would not authorize more than Fifteen Million Dollars 19 (\$15,000,000.00) in state tax credits to be claimed against state 20 tax liability in any calendar year, excluding any credit amounts 21 carried forward as provided under subsection A of Section $\frac{5}{3934}$ of 22 this act title. Within ninety (90) days of the applicant receiving 23 notice of certification, the rural fund shall issue the capital 24 investment to and receive cash in the amount of the certified amount

1 from a rural investor. At least ten percent (10%) of the rural investor's capital investment shall be composed of capital raised by 2 the rural investor directly or indirectly from sources including 3 directors, members, employees, officers, and affiliates of the rural 4 5 investor, other than the amount invested by the allocatee claiming the tax credits in exchange for such allocation of tax credits. 6 The 7 rural fund shall provide the Department with evidence of the receipt of the cash investment within ninety-five (95) days of the applicant 8 9 receiving notice of certification.

10 If the rural fund does not receive the cash investment and Β. issue the capital investment within such time period following 11 12 receipt of the certificate notice, the certification shall lapse and 13 the rural fund shall not issue the capital investment without 14 reapplying to the Department for certification. Lapsed 15 certifications shall revert to the Department and shall be reissued 16 pro rata to applicants whose capital investment allocations were 17 reduced in accordance with the application process provided under 18 subsection D of Section 3 3932 of this act title.

C. A rural fund, before making a qualified investment, may request from the Department a written opinion as to whether the business in which it proposes to invest is an eligible business.
The Department, no later than fifteen (15) business days after the date of receipt of such request, shall notify the rural fund of its determination. If the Department fails to notify the rural fund of

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its determination by the twentieth business day, the business in
which the rural fund proposes to invest shall be deemed an eligible
business.

4	D. In addition to the initial participation authorized by the
5	provisions of the Oklahoma Rural Jobs Act, beginning July 1, 2025,
6	rural funds otherwise eligible under the provisions of this act
7	shall be allowed to participate in an additional offering of state
8	tax credits, hereby authorized as an expansion of the Oklahoma Rural
9	Jobs Act, in an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Million Dollars
10	(\$200,000,000.00). Such additional offering shall be otherwise
11	administered consistently with the provisions of the Oklahoma Rural
12	Jobs Act.
13	SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.
14	Passed the House of Representatives the 12th day of March, 2025.
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16	Presiding Officer of the House
17	of Representatives
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19	Passed the Senate the day of, 2025.
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