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No. 950

S.P. 302

In Senate, March 9, 2021

An Act To Improve Maine's Economic Development Incentives

Reference to the Committee on Taxation suggested and ordered printed.

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BENNETT of Oxford.

Cosponsored by Senator: CYRWAY of Kennebec, Representative: BAILEY of Gorham.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

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- **Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §1100-T, sub-§4,** as amended by PL 2019, c. 616, Pt. LL, §9, is further amended to read:
- 4. Total of credits authorized. The authority may issue tax credit certificates to investors eligible pursuant to subsections 2, 2-A and 2-C in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 up to and including calendar year 1996, \$3,000,000 up to and including calendar year 1997, \$5,500,000 up to and including calendar year 1998, \$8,000,000 up to and including calendar year 2001, \$11,000,000 up to and including calendar year 2002, \$14,000,000 up to and including calendar year 2003, \$17,000,000 up to and including calendar year 2004, \$20,000,000 up to and including calendar year 2005, \$23,000,000 up to and including calendar year 2006, \$26,000,000 up to and including calendar year 2007 and \$30,000,000 up to and including calendar year 2013, in addition to which, the authority may issue tax credit certificates to investors eligible pursuant to subsections 2, 2-A and 2-C in an annual amount not to exceed \$675,000 for investments made between January 1, 2014 and December 31, 2014, \$4,000,000 for investments made in calendar year 2015, \$5,000,000 for investments made in calendar years 2016 to 2019, \$15,000,000 for investments made in calendar years 2020 to 2026 and \$5,000,000 each year for investments made in calendar years beginning with 2027. For investments made in calendar years beginning with 2021, the authority may not issue a tax credit certificate to investors eligible pursuant to subsection 2-C until after certificates have been issued for investors eligible pursuant to subsections 2 and 2-A and may issue a certificate pursuant to subsection 2-C only if the limit established in this subsection will not be exceeded. The authority may provide that investors eligible for a tax credit under this section in a year when there is insufficient credit available are entitled to take the credit when it becomes available subject to limitations established by the authority by rule. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.
- **Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and allocations are made.

LABOR, DEPARTMENT OF

Governor's Jobs Initiative Program N350

Initiative: Provides ongoing funds to be used as matching funds for worker training or retraining in manufacturing businesses in the State.

GENERAL FUND All Other	2021-22 \$500,000	2022-23 \$500,000

37 SUMMARY

This bill provides that the Finance Authority of Maine may not issue a certificate of eligibility for a refundable seed capital tax credit to a private venture capital fund until after certificates have been issued for nonrefundable credits and only if the annual limit on certificates will not be exceeded. The bill also provides ongoing appropriations of \$500,000 annually to the Governor's Jobs Initiative Program to be used as matching funds for worker training or retraining in manufacturing industries.