

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Transportation and Economic Development

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: Revenue impact issued

Action Date: 04/08/15

Action: Do Pass With Amendments, Be Printed Engrossed And Be Referred To Revenue By Prior Reference.

Meeting Dates: 03/13, 04/08

Vote:

Yeas: 6 - Bentz, Davis, Hack, Lively, McKeown, McLain

Exc: 1 - Gorsek

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Increases from \$10 million to \$20 the amount of total tax credits for certified film production development contributions for each fiscal year. Provides appropriation to the Oregon Production Investment Fund for reimbursement of expenses for movie or media production services produced or performed outside of the Portland metropolitan area. Removes the limit on the amount of expense reimbursement to local filmmakers or local media production services companies. Expands eligibility for reimbursement to local media production services companies. Applies to fiscal years beginning on or after July 1, 2015. Creates a Task Force on Oregon Film and Media Production. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Benefits to Oregon and to local communities from film productions
- Competition with other states for film productions
- Examples of recent productions in Oregon
- Rise of the video game development industry

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

Expands eligibility for reimbursement to local media production services companies. Adds definition of “local media production project.”

BACKGROUND:

The Governor’s Office of Film and Television provides assistance to productions filming at locations throughout Oregon. The Office’s mission is to promote the development of the film, video and multimedia industry in Oregon and to enhance the industry’s revenues, profile and reputation within Oregon and among the industry internationally.