

HB 2244 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Economic Development and Trade

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Extends sunset of Greenlight Oregon Labor Rebate Fund from 2018 to 2024. Allows Oregon Film and Video Office to deduct from labor rebate amounts spent on workforce development and educational efforts for qualifying film production. Adds large scale sporting events from definition of qualifying film production.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Removes sporting events from definition of qualifying film production.

BACKGROUND:

House Bill 2191 (2005) created the Greenlight Oregon Labor Rebate Fund (Fund). The Fund is administered by the Oregon Film and Video Office (Oregon Film) and offers qualifying film and video productions a cash rebate of up to 6.2% of Oregon-based payroll (ORS 316.220). To qualify, a film and video production must spend more than \$1 million in Oregon. Under current Oregon law, the Oregon Film must stop issuing rebates from this account on or after January 1, 2018.

House Bill 2244 extends the authority of the Oregon Film to issue a rebate from this fund until January 1, 2024. The measure also allows Oregon Film to deduct from a rebate up to 1 percent for workforce development and educational efforts undertaken by Oregon Film in connection with the qualifying film production.