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House Committee on Revenue 900 Court Street NE Salem, OR 97301

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Dear House Committee on Revenue,

I'm writing to urge you to **vote YES on HB 3244** to expand the Oregon Production Incentive Fund (OPIF) from \$14 million to \$20 million. This program is critical to keeping our state competitive for film, TV, commercials, and other digital media.

I've work as a construction coordinator on film and television productions around the Portland area for the past two and half years. I've seen and heard the impact the film industry has on local business community first hand. One of my vendors (52nd ave. Lumber) has told me we have kept them in business during hard/slow times.

Let's increase this amount and bring more opportunities for all.

Please **vote YES on HB 3244** to expand OPIF and increase media production jobs and spending in our state.

Regards,

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