

House Committee on Revenue
Salem, OR 97301

March 22, 2021

Dear Senate Finance and Revenue Committee,

I'm writing to urge you to vote YES on HB3244 pertaining to increasing the tax credits available for film in Oregon.

I'm a SAG-AFTRA actor and have been living in Portland for ten years. I've been very fortunate to be able to work on some incredible television projects that were produced here in Oregon, including Trinkets, Chad, and Shrii. As someone who is reasonably tuned in to the entertainment industry, I'm not the first person to say it, but it's worth repeating – Portland is becoming a major production city and the industry is taking notice. From my perspective, the most important effect from this development is that Oregon based talent, crew, production professionals, and contractors are able to **stay in Oregon** to engage fully in their careers. Without our incentive, I believe it would be impossible for me to work in Oregon in my chosen field. With these projects and the support of the incentive, I've been able to work with hundreds of incredibly talented and dedicated people who make these productions happen, whose jobs depend on this support from our legislature. Expanding the incentives to invite more long term series to shoot here would add greatly to our security and the local economy powered by film and television production. I'm proud to be a part of this community. We bring amazing projects to life. We contribute to the economy and are a vital part of what keeps Oregon so vibrant. We need your help to keep growing.

Please vote YES on HB3244 to extend these critical programs for our local production industry. It supports my livelihood.

Appreciatively,

Becky B
Oregon Resident
SAG-AFTRA