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Senate Finance and Revenue
900 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

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Dear Senate Finance and Revenue Committee,

I'm writing to urge you to **vote YES on SB43** pertaining to labor rebates and tax credits for media production.

As Executive Producer of Refuge, a visual effects company based in Portland, OR, I'm on the front lines of competition to produce best-in-class media content for not just the United States, but for the world. Whether we're animating alien creatures on a Netflix film for director Robert Rodriguez or creating CG superhero powers on the next series for Marvel Television, we rely on these film incentive programs to attract the clients that will bring jobs to our state.

In turn, our clients seek stability in companies such as ours, who provide the creative services they need to make their products. These film incentive programs are a major component of that stability, especially as they apply to longer term, multi-year projects, like the streaming and television projects that our business relies on.

Please **vote YES on SB43** to extend these critical programs for our local production industry. It supports my livelihood.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alex Thiesen'.

Alex Thiesen
Executive Producer
Refuge
Portland, OR