



House Committee on Economic Recovery and Prosperity
900 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

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Dear House Committee on Economic Recovery and Prosperity,

I'm writing to urge you to **vote YES on HB 3010** pertaining to diversity, equity, and inclusion in incentivized Oregon media productions. It's important that the commitment to Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion be reflected in Oregon's policymaking.

I am a producer/director AD and work across many different platforms such as scripted, reality, commercial, docu, and live events.

Nik Hassinger is a polyethnic, non-binary, gender-queer Filmmaker/Producer/Director who has had a passion for film and all things creative since they were very young and living in a small town in Pennsylvania. Nik's Filipina grandmother introduced Nik to film, igniting a lifelong desire to make visual art.

Nik has 20 years of experience within the TV/film/radio universe where they have completed 11 short films, garnered festival submissions and awards, and prioritized community activism.

They began as a Production Assistant on Shameless, Chicago PD, Chicago Fire, Widows, Death Wish, The Exorcist, and Philip K. Dick's Electric Dreams. Nik also works in reality TV, independent films, web-based content, and live sports including work on The Voice, The Amazing Race, the NFL Draft, Burgers Brews & 'Que, and Married at First Sight as a Production Coordinator and Assistant Director on shows like "We're Here" on HBO. Nik serves as a Producer, Assistant Director, and Production Manager on many progressive political ads, and commercials with clients such as Nike, Sprint, Comcast, Pizza Hut, and Boeing.

Recently, Nik officially launched their own production company, 945 Productions LLC, based in Portland, Oregon. Nik is excited about leading upcoming projects with diverse and inclusive teams to tell the stories of people who have been silenced for too long.

It would help tremendously, we are fighting so hard at local and state levels for change and we have to keep vigilant about telling our own stories and making sure that equity is a high priority.

Please **vote YES on HB 3010** to encourage diversity, equity, and inclusion in our local production industry. I look forward to witnessing the change that comes about when this bill passes!

Regards,

Nik Hassinger

Producer

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