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Joint Ways & Means Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development
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Dear Joint Ways & Means Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development: I'm writing to ask that you approve the 2023-25 operating budget for the Oregon Film and Video Office.

Oregon Film is instrumental in driving jobs and economic spending to the state and maintaining the strong production ecosystem that we've built here over the last decade. Besides serving as a key recruitment entity for the state the Oregon film has been a key innovator and helped to improve the reputation of the state as a great place to work. these improvements include workforce development and advice and support to Oregon lead individuals and companies.

It's especially imperative now as the state transitions out of the pandemic that Oregon Film remains strong to help contract the narrative that Oregon's best days are behind us. The filming in the state that the office facilitates is a key driver for disproving that idea.

Please approve the 2023-25 operating budget for the Oregon Film and Video Office

Sincerely yours,

David Cress