Honorable Co-Chairs Burdick, Bailey and Berger, and Members of the Committee,

RE: Hearing on HB 2167

Three years ago I moved my family from Los Angeles to Bend in order to raise our daughter in a safer environment and better schools. I had no idea how to earn a living as a professional actor in Central Oregon. But due to the increase of film, television, and commercial projects shooting in Oregon, I have managed to continue working professionally right here close to home. In fact, the money earned from these projects have allowed me to keep my home and provide for my family. Residual payments alone have helped me afford costly home and auto repairs and allow my daughter to attend pre-school for the first time. We are very fortunate to have these opportunities right here in the state we call home. 2167 will keep professionals like myself working, provide employment opportunities for industry professionals, as well as boosting the state's economy. My 4 year-old Lily thanks you for your consideration of HB 2167.

Sincerely,

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