

A-Engrossed
House Bill 3376

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Including House Amendments dated April 10

Sponsored by Representative NOSSE; Representatives CAMPOS, GRAYBER, MEEK, NOBLE, REYNOLDS, SMITH
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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Directs Oregon Business Development Department to develop and implement program to award grants to operators of movie theaters closed to public due to public health restrictions related to COVID-19.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to department for purposes of grant program.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2021.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to movie theaters; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

5 (a) **"Movie theater" means a commercial indoor theater whose primary business use is**
6 **the regular exhibition of motion pictures to the general public for a fee.**

7 (b) **"Operator of a movie theater" means a person that operates one or more movie the-**
8 **aters as part, or the entirety, of the person's business operations.**

9 (2) **The Oregon Business Development Department shall develop and implement a pro-**
10 **gram to award grants to operators of movie theaters in Oregon.**

11 (3) **To be eligible for a grant under the program, a person must be an operator of a movie**
12 **theater in Oregon:**

13 (a) **Whose business use as a movie theater by the operator had been established as of**
14 **March 13, 2020; and**

15 (b) **That was closed to the general public for any period of time on or after March 13,**
16 **2020, as a result of public health restrictions related to COVID-19.**

17 (4)(a) **The amount of a grant under the program is \$50,000 for each movie theater, plus**
18 **up to an additional \$10,000 for each screen of the movie theater in excess of two screens.**

19 (b) **The department may adjust additional per-screen grant amounts under this sub-**
20 **section to ensure that all eligible operators of movie theaters receive additional per-screen**
21 **grants.**

22 (5) **The department may award a maximum of one grant per movie theater and a maxi-**
23 **imum of 80 additional per-screen grants per operator of a movie theater.**

24 (6) **An operator of a movie theater is not eligible for a grant under this section if the**
25 **operator was awarded, with respect to the business of operating movie theaters, Coronavirus**
26 **Relief Fund Cultural Support grant funds approved by the Emergency Board in July 2020.**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **(7) The department may adopt rules as necessary or convenient for the development and**
2 **implementation of the program pursuant to this section.**

3 **SECTION 2.** **There is appropriated to the Oregon Business Development Department, for**
4 **the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$9,100,000 to**
5 **carry out the provisions of section 1 of this 2021 Act.**

6 **SECTION 3.** **This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
7 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect**
8 **July 1, 2021.**

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