

I love Salem Cinema, as they offer films you can't generally see at a standard theater, so anything that can be done to save this theater, I fully support. Several important things to know:

Unlike most other businesses, theaters experienced a total shutdown for nearly a year

Theaters were not included in the \$25 million that went to live performance venues last year

Theaters face a long road to recovery without new film product and capacity restrictions. Even with greater capacity allowances (50% and above), theaters will still be limited to roughly 25% capacity due to 6' social distancing requirements

Funds are needed to help address fixed costs incurred while theaters were required to be closed and capital expenses related to re-opening

Thanks for listening and, hopefully, supporting this bill.