

Senate Finance and Revenue
900 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

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Dear Senate Finance and Revenue Committee,

I'm writing to urge you to **vote YES on SB43** pertaining to labor rebates and tax credits for media production.

I'm a conservatory trained actor from the east coast, who moved up to Portland from Los Angeles after having my first child. When I first moved here, there were multiple projects filming at any given time. I was fortunate to have roles in Dean Devlin's feature film, Bad Samaritan, and multiple large scale commercials for Amazon, Buick and BMW. Prior to the Covid shutdown, I was making my living as a working actor here in Oregon.

I realize that it's unlikely Oregon will become like Los Angeles, or even Atlanta. However, there's no reason we can't have a thriving TV and Film industry. I moved my family here for greater opportunities overall, but most specifically because I could still have a career in the field that I continue to pay thousands of dollars into each year. If the bulk of the industry does not return to the state, I will have to consider moving my family elsewhere.

Please **vote YES on SB43** to extend these critical programs for our local production industry. It supports my livelihood.

Regards,

Sam Bangs Seagraves

Actor

Portland, OR