

Please fund HB 3376, which would direct Business Oregon to develop and implement a program for grants to movie theaters that were adversely affected by the COVID pandemic. Movie theaters are cultural facilities that serve a large percentage of Oregonians. Among them, small independent theaters like the Salem Cinema, which make available to the viewing public films that otherwise would not be available, were hardest hit by pandemic restrictions. To date, these facilities have been largely overlooked by pandemic relief programs. Please help them stay in business. In the past I have made more use of Salem Cinema than any other cultural facility in Salem. It would be a severe blow to me and my family if the Salem Cinema could not stay in business.