

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've been working in the film and television industry for over 20 years, it is my livelihood, plain and simple. I have forged my career in the costume department's of many productions in Portland; NBC's "Grimm", Freeform's "Perfectionists", Netflix's "Trinkets" to name a few. Each project employs hundreds of people I have grown to know and it has been so wonderful to see all the camaraderie and growth we all go through together working long days and nights to bringing Portland to the fore front entertainment industry.

Future projects are essential to ALL of us! We are active in our communities, own homes, our children attend our schools, support our unions, and we want to continue to do this in Oregon. Long term projects allow us the opportunity to continue on and contribute to society all the while creating a lasting impact on Film and television. Creating art and jobs in Oregon is a win win.

I'm currently working on The Netflix movie "Metal Lords". I'm SO thankful to have had this opportunity to be working since September! I have not had to collect unemployment like so many of my friends during this epic pandemic. I am truly grateful.

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

Regards,

Dionne Barens

Assistant Costume Designer "Metla Lords"

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