

House Committee on Economic Recovery and Prosperity
900 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

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Dear House Committee on Economic Recovery and Prosperity,

I'm writing to urge you to **vote YES on HB 3010** pertaining to diversity, equity, and inclusion in incentivized Oregon media productions. It's important that the commitment to Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion be reflected in Oregon's policymaking.

I've been animating for five years on independent films, student films, and a major feature production, including directing and animating the Annie-nominated student film *Con Fuerza* (2019).

In my independent work, I strive to give a platform to underrepresented demographics, and I try to find professional work that does the same. I adhere to this because as both a Venezuelan-American and an adult on the autism spectrum I know how precious and how scarce good representation can be to find in modern media. While I wish we could reason media companies into doing the most good for the most people, history would indicate that what we need is policy to set that 'good' in motion as quickly as possible.

Please **vote YES on HB 3010** to encourage diversity, equity, and inclusion in our local production industry. I look forward to witnessing the change that comes about when this bill passes!

Regards,

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