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Oregon State Legislature

Salem, OR

Dear Legislators,

I own and operate simon max hill casting, a small business in Oregon with 3 full time employees that employs and helps to employ dozens of actors, models and assistants each year.

We are 100% home-grown in Oregon, starting here in 2001 after graduation from college and thanks to the growth of the incentive program, *we have never needed to leave the state to thrive*. In the last 20 years, we've grown from a single part time employee with a folding table to a full time operation capable of casting multiple movies and TV shows at once.

Our castings are diverse, employing people from all walks of life - we're working on a sports apparel commercial that will shoot all over Oregon and employ every day Oregonians who enjoy fly fishing, off-roading and other outdoor activities. We touch all corners, nooks and crannies of the state in our searches for authentic performances.

One thing we see with each casting is that there are folks all over the state who never even considered participating in the film business - but who'd jump at the chance if given the opportunity. I think the Creative Opportunity Fund would be a fine tool for broadening our film industry's horizons.

thanks,

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