

HB 2093 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Revenue

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Aligns applicability period for statutory provisions of tax credit for certified film production development contributions with sunset of tax credit. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Background on Oregon auctioned tax credits
- Fiscal year credit limits and effect of limit on potential revenue impacts of such auctioned tax credits
- Background on how funds from tax credit auction are utilized to incentivize qualifying filmmakers and local media production services companies
- Comparison of Oregon film and media incentives to similar incentives available in other states.

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In 2019, the Oregon Legislature enacted SB 459 which decreased the reserve bid amount for tax credit auctions related to the film production development contributions tax credit and Opportunity Grant contributions credit. Additionally, SB 459 modified when tax credit auctions for the respective credits could be held. These changes were applicable to tax years 2019 through 2023. In 2021, the Oregon Legislature enacted HB 2456 which modified the timing of when a taxpayer could potentially claim a tax credit purchased at auction. HB 2456 modifications were made applicable to tax years 2021 through 2023. Also in 2021, the Oregon Legislature enacted HB 2433 which extended the tax credit sunset for the film production development contributions tax credit from 2024 to 2030 and increased the fiscal year credit auction limit from \$14 million to \$20 million. While the film production development contributions credit sunset was extended to 2030, the statutory provisions of the credit enacted by SB 459 (2019) and HB 2456 (2021) are only applicable through tax year 2023. This measure modifies Oregon law to align the aforementioned changes with the film production development contributions credit's existing law sunset of 2030.