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Support for this bill is critical for the livelihoods of so many who work in the film and television industry. Our household is led by two adults who work in this industry, and since the pandemic, our income has dropped significantly due to lack of work opportunities. I am a writer/director and my husband is a professional cinematographer, both with years of experience. Yet jobs have dwindled to few and far between, and our household, including an autistic child, has suffered greatly as a result. Raising the cap and bringing in an extra 100 million in production budgets to the state would immediately impact a family like ours. And we have many friends who have suffered similarly. Work opportunities have been abysmal. We need more and this would help immensely to keep talented creative folks able to remain in the state to make a living, and raise Oregon's profile as a reasonable place to live and work for creatives in this field.