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The Oregon Film Industry has supported me both professionally and personally over the past two years. While a smaller market, Portland's proximity to LA brings top-tier projects that provide opportunities for myself and fellow actors in Portland. As a woman of color, these projects provide a space for my voice to be heard, my image to be seen, and a broader representation of BIPOC woman on film. The Oregon directors, filmmakers, and crew that I have had the honor or working with have been nothing by inspirational and welcoming. I have consistently felt save and inspired while working on sets in Oregon, and hope to not lose such invaluable talent to LA (which is what would happen if this bill does not pass). Please keep our talent here.