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Dear Chair Representative Nguyen and Members of the House Committee on Economic Development, Small Business and Trade,

Support for HB 3329

As an actor with a diverse background in film and television, I have had the privilege of contributing to the vibrant Oregon film industry. Since moving to Portland in 2015, I have been fortunate enough to be part of several notable productions, including recurring roles in the Emmy-winning series [Shrill](#), appearances in independent films like [Pig](#) and [Sometimes I Think About Dying](#) and even a [local gin distillery commercial with Ryan Reynolds](#). My experience in Oregon has not only deepened my connection to the local creative community but also underscored the potential for growth and innovation in our state's media production sector. As a working actor in Oregon for nearly a decade, I've seen firsthand the power of a thriving film community.

Oregon's film industry provided me, and many other local actors and crew, with opportunities that simply wouldn't exist otherwise. Supporting HB 3329 is crucial to ensuring that Oregon remains a place where artists can build careers and contribute to our state's economy. Increasing the film incentive will bring more productions, more jobs, and more opportunities for Oregonians.

I urge you to support HB 3329 and invest in the future of Oregon's film industry. It's an investment in our communities and our creative talent.

Sincerely,

Sean Tarjyoto

P.S. For more information on the impact of Oregon film productions, please see these related articles:

- 1) *To Create the Portland of 'Shrill' the CDs Looked Across the U.S. + Beyond*, <https://www.backstage.com/magazine/article/collin-daniel-brett-greenstein-shrill-hulu-casting-directors-adv-71144/>
- 2) *'Sometimes I Think About Dying': Q&A with the Director Rachel Lambert and actor Dave Merheje of the Oregon-shot film starring Daisy Ridley*, <https://www.ortswatch.org/sometimes-i-think-about-dying-qa-with-the-director-rachel-lambert-and-actor-dave-merheje-of-the-oregon-shot-film-starring-daisy-ridley/>
- 3) *I Opened a Distillery in Portland* <https://www.google.com/search?q=I+opened++a+gin+distillery+in+portland+commercial+with+Ryan+Reynolds>