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On Behalf Of:

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Business, and Trade

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3329

I'm an independent filmmaker who moved to Portland 14 years ago because I love this area. It's gorgeous. It's photogenic. It's delightful. While my budgets and films have been too small to take advantage of tax incentives, I know how vital they are to a film regardless of genre. So many of the films that could have been made in America leave because the incentives are too good in other places. Vancouver, B.C., a lovely city, often stands in for New York City with movie magic, thus taking those dollars into Canada (which is a great country, don't get me wrong). But NOTHING can truly stand in for Portland. Increasing the tax credits for filming here has the potential to bring in that much more money and economic stimulation, something any city could desperately use. Please consider the words of support from myself and your constituents and pass HB3329.

Thank you so much.