

HOUSE BILL REPORT

SB 6146

As Passed House - Amended
March 3, 1994

Title: An act relating to economic diversification through film and video production.

Brief Description: Diversifying the economy by locating a film and video production facility within the state.

Sponsors: Senators Skratek, Bluechel, Sheldon, Erwin, M. Rasmussen, Drew, McAuliffe, Roach and Snyder.

Brief History:

Reported by House Committee on:
Trade, Economic Development & Housing, February 24, 1994, DP;
Appropriations, February 28, 1994, DPA.
Passed House - Amended, March 3, 1994, 96-2.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRADE, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING

Majority Report: Do pass. Signed by 13 members:
Representatives Wineberry, Chair; Shin, Vice Chair;
Schoesler, Ranking Minority Member; Chandler, Assistant
Ranking Minority Member; Backlund; Campbell; Casada; Conway;
Quall; Sheldon; Springer; Valle and Wood.

Staff: Kenny Pittman (786-7392).

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Majority Report: Do pass as amended. Signed by 25 members:
Representatives Sommers, Chair; Valle, Vice Chair; Silver,
Ranking Minority Member; Carlson, Assistant Ranking Minority
Member; Appelwick; Ballasiotes; Basich; Cooke; Dellwo; Dorn;
Dunshee; Foreman; Jacobsen; Lemmon; Leonard; Linville;
H. Myers; Peery; Rust; Sehlin; Sheahan; Stevens; Talcott;
Wang and Wolfe.

Minority Report: Do not pass. Signed by 1 member:
Representative G. Fisher.

Staff: Susan Nakagawa (786-7145).

Background: The Legislature created the Department of
Community, Trade, and Economic Development in 1993. One of

the responsibilities of the new department is to focus assistance on targeted sectors of the economy. The department was specifically directed to promote, market, and encourage growth in the production of films, videos, and television commercials in the state.

Summary of Bill: The Department of Community, Trade, and Economic Development, through the State Film Office, is directed to assist in the location of a film and video production facility in the state. The bill contains a null and void clause and must be referenced in the state operating budget to be implemented.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect July 1, 1994.

Testimony For: (Trade, Economic Development & Housing) The movie industry is growing. The development of a film and video production facility would allow the state to take advantage of available opportunities.

(Appropriations) None.

Testimony Against: (Trade, Economic Development & Housing) None.

(Appropriations) None.

Witnesses: (Trade, Economic Development & Housing) Senator Betti Sheldon, sponsor (pro).

(Appropriations) None.