

HOUSE BILL REPORT

SB 6146

As Reported By House Committee On:
Trade, Economic Development & Housing

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:

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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).

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.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Appropriation: \$30,000 from the general fund to the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development.

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

Testimony For: The movie industry is growing. The development of a film and video production facility would allow the state to take advantage of available opportunities.

Testimony Against: None.

Witnesses: Senator Betti Sheldon, sponsor (pro).