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**REPRESENTATIVE BERGER LEADS EFFORT TO ENCOURAGE
HOLLYWOOD TO PRODUCE FILMS IN OREGON**

SALEM – Representative Vicki Berger (R-Salem) led an effort today to pass a bill that offers more incentives for the film industry to produce films in Oregon.

The bill, House Bill 2191, creates a rebate for those people who invest \$1 million or more in actual expenses on film, television show or commercial productions done in Oregon. “Oregon is losing millions of dollars worth of productions to other states and countries because we are not cost-competitive,” said Rep. Berger. “This bill will make Oregon a more cost-competitive state in the eyes of the film industry.”

Out-of-state films have spent \$249 million in Oregon in the past ten years, generating an economic impact of \$547 million. Oregon, however, has gone from an average of \$30 million per year in out-of-state spending, to about \$10 million per year because of incentives that other states offer.

“Oregon is a beautiful state that can offer so much to the film industry,” said Rep. Berger. “The more productions that are done in Oregon, the more Oregon will be advertised to the world. That advertisement will result in bringing people and businesses to our state. It is a win-win situation.”

This press release and an archive of previous press releases issued by Rep. Berger’s office are available on the web at: www.leg.state.or.us/berger.

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