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**REVISED - SUPPORT THE EXTENSION OF THE CALIFORNIA FILM AND TV TAX CREDIT**

Fearing that the state might lose motion picture production to other states, California legislators created the Film Tax Credit in 2009 to encourage motion picture productions to locate in California. The legislature has since extended and expanded the credit multiple times. It is currently scheduled to expire on June 30, 2025.

Governor Newsom’s January budget proposes to extend the authority for the California Film Commission to allocate the California Motion Picture and Television Credit (California Film Tax Credit) for an additional five years, starting in FY 25-26. The proposal would maintain current authorization levels of \$330 million per year and make the film tax credit refundable.

The County’s film, television, and digital media industries help make Los Angeles the entertainment capital of the world. Extending the California Film Tax Credit will continue to provide much-needed incentives to keep production and related jobs in the County, bring back existing productions that have left, and help protect the County’s employment base. As on-location filming has decreased by 24 percent over the last quarter, adding the refundable option could make the County more attractive for productions to stay in Los Angeles.

The extension of the California Film Tax Credit is supported by the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation, Motion Picture Association, Directors Guild of America, Art Directors Guild, Netflix, Sony Pictures, IATSE Local 600/80, NBCUniversal, Walt Disney, Discovery, and Teamsters 399.

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**IWE, THEREFORE, MOVE** that the Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Executive Office, through the Legislative Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations Branch, to send a five-signature letter to Governor Gavin Newsom in support of extending the California Film Tax Credit.

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