

1 _____ BILL NO. _____

2 INTRODUCED BY _____
3 (Primary Sponsor)

4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE LIMIT ON MONTANA ECONOMIC
5 DEVELOPMENT INDUSTRY ADVANCEMENT ACT FILM TAX CREDITS; AMENDING SECTION 15-31-1010,
6 MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND AN APPLICABILITY DATE."

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8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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10 **Section 1.** Section 15-31-1010, MCA, is amended to read:

11 ~~"15-31-1010. (Temporary) Limitation of tax credits. (1) (a) The department of commerce may~~
12 ~~grant to applicants pursuant to 15-31-1004 the authority to apply for the tax credits provided for in 15-~~
13 ~~31-1007 and 15-31-1009.~~

14 (b) ~~— The authorization by the department of commerce to apply for a credit does not guarantee the~~
15 ~~credit. A taxpayer authorized to apply for a credit pursuant to 15-31-1004 and this section must meet the~~
16 ~~requirements of 15-31-1005 through 15-31-1009 and subsection (2) of this section.~~

17 (c) ~~— The department of commerce shall make reasonable efforts to post on its website the amount~~
18 ~~of tax credits available and not yet allocated.~~

19 (2) ~~— (a) Total claims for the tax credits provided for in 15-31-1007 and 15-31-1009 may not exceed~~
20 ~~[\$12 million] per calendar year.~~

21 (b) ~~— Claims must be allowed on a first-come, first-served basis. A taxpayer whose claim for a credit~~
22 ~~is disallowed because the calendar year limit has been reached may use the credit in the next calendar year~~
23 ~~but the transfer of the credit to the next calendar year does not extend the carry forward periods provided for in~~
24 ~~15-31-1007(5) or 15-31-1009(4).~~

25 (c) ~~— If a claim is disallowed because the calendar year limit has been reached, the department of~~
26 ~~revenue may waive penalties and interest pursuant to 15-1-216.~~

27 (d) ~~— The department of revenue shall make reasonable efforts to post on its website the amount of~~
28 ~~credits available and not yet claimed. (Bracketed language is temporarily amended to "\$10 million" on~~

1 occurrence of contingency for income tax years 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025 until July 1, 2025—secs. 7(6), 9,
2 Ch. 509, L. 2021—see compiler's comment.)

3 **15-31-1010. (Effective July 1, 2025) Limitation of tax credits.** (1) (a) The department of commerce
4 may grant to applicants pursuant to 15-31-1004 the authority to apply for the tax credits provided for in 15-31-
5 1007 and 15-31-1009.

6 (b) The authorization by the department of commerce to apply for a credit does not guarantee the
7 credit. A taxpayer authorized to apply for a credit pursuant to 15-31-1004 and this section must meet the
8 requirements of 15-31-1005 through 15-31-1009 and subsection (2) of this section.

9 (c) The department of commerce shall make reasonable efforts to post on its website the amount
10 of tax credits available and not yet allocated.

11 (2) (a) Total claims for the tax credits provided for in 15-31-1007 and 15-31-1009 may not exceed
12 \$12 \$350 million per in a calendar year.

13 (b) Claims must be allowed on a first-come, first-served basis. A taxpayer whose claim for a credit
14 is disallowed because the calendar year limit has been reached may use the credit in the next calendar year
15 but the transfer of the credit to the next calendar year does not extend the carry forward periods provided for in
16 15-31-1007(5) or 15-31-1009(4).

17 (c) If a claim is disallowed because the calendar year limit has been reached, the department of
18 revenue may waive penalties and interest pursuant to 15-1-216.

19 (d) The department of revenue shall make reasonable efforts to post on its website the amount of
20 credits available and not yet claimed."

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22 NEW SECTION. **Section 2. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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24 NEW SECTION. **Section 3. Applicability.** [This act] applies to income tax years beginning after
25 December 31, 2024.

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