

HOUSE BILL 1812

By Hawk

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 49 and Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 50, relative to the Tennessee film, entertainment, and music commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-4902(8), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(8) "Production company" means any person or entity that produces a film, movie, pilot, or show in Tennessee, or develops computer-generated imagery, interactive digital media, or stand-alone post-production scoring and editing in Tennessee;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-4902(9), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(9) "State-certified production" means a film, movie, pilot, or show, or computer-generated imagery, interactive digital media, or stand-alone post-production scoring and editing that meets the criteria established by the commission to receive an incentive grant; and

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-4903(c)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(1) Moneys in the film/TV fund shall be appropriated and expended to provide incentive grants to production companies for use in producing state-certified productions and may be used by the department to defray the expenses of administering this section, including marketing expenses; provided, however, that the expenses shall not

exceed five percent (5%) of the total amount appropriated for the program in any fiscal year.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-5002(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(1) "Entertainment properties" means motion pictures, television programs, computer-generated imagery, interactive digital media, stand-alone post-production scoring and editing, sound recordings, and other audio, video, or audiovisual programs produced for distribution to the public;

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.