



Ohio Municipal League

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TO: Ohio House Finance Committee
Chairman Ryan Smith

FROM: Ohio Municipal League
Director of Communication, Josh Brown, Esq.

RE: Support for HB 475

Dear Chairman Smith and House Finance Committee Members,

The Ohio Municipal League would like to express our members' **support** for HB 475.

Ohio and its cities have made great strides in attracting the motion picture business to Ohio for filming. As you understand, film companies look at the local environment when deciding where to do their work, but they also analyze what to expect from the state they may be working in as well.

Many of Ohio's cities have a great track record in attracting business. General Assembly members should understand that Ohio's cities and villages are always actively engaged with businesses across the world to bring them here. They need all the support they can get from the state in today's competitive environment. House Bill 475 is another tool that Ohio's cities and villages can use when working to attract film businesses to Ohio.

This tax credit, coupled with the multitude of incentives that our cities provide, will go a long way to attracting more film business to Ohio.