

FILM INCENTIVES

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-4903(c), is further amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (1), and by adding the following, to be designated as subdivision (2):

(2) The amount of each grant awarded pursuant to this section shall not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the total expenses incurred by a production company for a project; except, however, the department may award grants in excess of this amount if deemed appropriate by the department. It is the legislative intent that funding be appropriated each year in the general appropriations act for awarding grants. It is further the legislative intent that the department strive to award the maximum amount of incentive grants authorized by this section due to the amendments to § 67-4-2109(j) provided in this act.

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-3-4903(i), is amended by deleting the language " is authorized to" and by substituting instead the language "shall".

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-2109(j), is amended by adding the following language as new subdivision (6):

(6) The credit provided for in this subsection (j) shall not apply to tax years beginning on or after July 1, 2012; provided that this subdivision (j)(6) shall have no effect on the right of any taxpayer to realize the benefits of any credit provided under subsection (j) in the event that the commissioner of revenue and the commissioner of economic and community development determine that the taxpayer's production is in the "best interest of this state" pursuant to § 67-4-

2109(j)(1)(A) and the taxpayer incurs expenses related to such production prior to July 1, 2012.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF JULY 1, 2012

SECTION 11. This act shall take effect on July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.

AND FURTHER AMEND by requesting that the engrossing clerk:

- (1) delete the bold underlined explanatory headings in this amendment;
- (2) and exclude this paragraph from the engrossed bill.