

**MOTION PICTURE TASK FORCE**

2004 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Sponsor: Ron Allen**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill creates the Utah Motion Picture Task Force.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ provides for the appointment of members and cochairs of the task force;
- ▶ provides procedures and requirements for the operation of the task force;
- ▶ provides for the payment of salaries and expenses of members of the task force who are legislators;
- ▶ provides for the payment of per diem and expenses for members of the task force who are not legislators;
- ▶ provides that the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall provide staff support to the task force;
- ▶ provides duties for the task force;
- ▶ prescribes the number of times the task force may meet; and
- ▶ requires the task force to present a final report to the Revenue and Taxation and Workforce Services and Community and Economic Development Interim Committees.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates:

- ▶ \$7,000 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2003-04 only, to fund the task force.

**Other Special Clauses:**

This bill is repealed on November 30, 2004.

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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

**Section 1. Utah Motion Picture Task Force -- Creation -- Membership -- Quorum -- Compensation -- Staff.**

(1) There is created the Utah Motion Picture Task Force consisting of 16 members:

(a) three members of the Senate appointed by the president of the Senate, no more than two of whom may be from the same political party;

(b) three members of the House of Representatives appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives, no more than two of whom may be from the same political party; and

(c) the following members appointed jointly by the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives:

(i) five members representing the motion picture and television industry;

(ii) one member from municipal government;

(iii) one member from county government;

(iv) one member representing retail merchants; and

(v) two members of the public that have an interest or expertise in the motion picture or television industry.

(2) (a) The president of the Senate shall designate a member of the Senate appointed under Subsection (1)(a) as a cochair of the task force.

(b) The speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate a member of the House of Representatives appointed under Subsection (1)(b) as a cochair of the task force.

(3) (a) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum.

(b) The action of a majority of a quorum constitutes the action of the task force.

(4) (a) Salaries and expenses of the members of the task force who are legislators shall be paid in accordance with Section 36-2-2 and Legislative Joint Rule 15.03.

(b) A member of the task force who is not a legislator may not receive compensation for the member's work associated with the task force, but may receive per diem and reimbursement for travel expenses incurred as a member of the task force at the rates established by the Division of Finance under Sections 63A-3-106 and 63A-3-107.

(5) The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall provide staff support to the task force.

**Section 2. Duties -- Meetings -- Interim report.**

(1) (a) The task force shall review and make recommendations on the necessary and appropriate financial incentives the state should adopt to enhance the state's ability to retain and expand the existing motion picture, television, and commercial industries, and to attract additional production to the state.

(b) In conducting the review and making the recommendations required by Subsection (1)(a) the task force shall:

(i) consider issues including:

(A) economic development;

(B) sales and use tax exemptions;

(C) investment tax credits;

(D) payroll tax credits;

(E) enterprise zones;

(F) production expense funds;

(G) county and municipality revenue sources; and

(H) Tax Commission audit experience; and

(ii) review and make recommendations on any other issue relating to Subsection (1)(a).

(2) The task force may meet up to eight times during the 2004 interim.

(3) A final report, including any proposed legislation shall be presented to the Revenue and Taxation and Workforce Services and Community and Economic Development Interim Committees before November 30, 2004.

**Section 3. Appropriation.**

There is appropriated from the General Fund for fiscal year 2003-04 only:

(1) \$3,500 to the Senate to pay for the compensation of senators on the task force; and

(2) \$3,500 to the House of Representatives to pay for the compensation and expenses of representatives on the task force.

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Section 4. **Repeal date.**

This bill is repealed on November 30, 2004.