

Dear Senator Costello,

Thank you so much for taking the time to read this brief email. I am writing you to express my support of SB39, an act to repeal the film production tax credit.

I know that you have a difficult and busy session ahead of you. The state's budget challenges are very real and that weight is undoubtedly heavy on your shoulders. The tax credit program costs our state money both in personnel and in potential revenue. Nationwide the number of states offering film production tax credits is declining. In 2010 43 states offered tax credits (via the [Council of State Governments](#)) and by 2014 that number had declined to 38 (via the [National Conference of State Legislatures](#)).

Supporters of SB39 talk often about the job opportunities offered by film production as well as the growth and development of business opportunities. While this may be true during the short term during active production these jobs and opportunities also leave the state when filming concludes. These are not the long-term, year-round jobs that our communities need.

I hope that you will vote to protect Alaskan communities like mine and repeal the film production tax credit.

Sincerely,
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