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Production Tax Credit Component Office of Economic Development
 Sponsor ELLIS, Stevens
 Requester Senate Labor & Commerce Component Number 2743

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

	Appropriation Required	Information					
		FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014
OPERATING EXPENDITURES							
Personal Services	150.0	25.0	175.0	175.0	175.0	175.0	175.0
Travel	20.0	3.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0	23.0
Contractual	100.0	5.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0	105.0
Supplies	5.0		5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0
Equipment	15.0		15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims							
Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	290.0	33.0	323.0	323.0	323.0	323.0	323.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES							
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CHANGE IN REVENUES (1004)	**	**	**	**	**	**	**
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts							
1003 GF Match							
1004 GF	290.0	33.0	323.0	323.0	323.0	323.0	323.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other Interagency Receipts							
TOTAL	290.0	33.0	323.0	323.0	323.0	323.0	323.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2008) cost: 0.0

POSITIONS

Full-time	2.00	0.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This legislation would create a transferable tax credit to be applied to certain film production expenditures made in Alaska and establishes a film office in the Department. The base tax credit would be 30% of qualified expenditures with an additional 10% of qualified expenditures that are Alaska wages, an additional 2% for expenditures made in a rural area, and an additional 2% for expenditures made in the state between October 1 through March 30. The minimum spending amount would be set at \$100.0 within a 24 month period. There would be no maximum amount of credit that can be taken. The tax credit provisions sunset on July 1, 2013.

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ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

Duties of the office would include: Cooperating with the private sector to expand the film production industry; promoting Alaska as a film location; providing production assistance through connecting filmmakers with Alaska location scouts, services and contractors; certifying and promoting a production internship training program in ; administering the incentive program; and preparing an annual report to the legislature.

To fulfill the duties established in the bill, the Department would keep the one-quarter existing position in the Office of Economic Development to supervise staff, prepare annual marketing and business plans, and help promote the incentive and intern programs. The Department would hire a Development Specialist to fulfill the duties assigned by the legislation and an Administrative Assistant to handle the administrative work associated with implementing the incentive program. As specified in the legislation, the Commissioner of the Department will consider the recommendations of the Alaska Film Group in the selection process. Travel costs are estimated to cover in-state, out-of-state, and international travel for trade shows, visits to production companies, producer familiarization tours, training, meetings with in-state film industry and communities, and to provide production assistance (connecting filmmakers to Alaska contractors). Contractual expenditures would include web site development, marketing plan development, photo purchases, development of a production guide, promotional materials, limited advertising creative and placement, printing, workshops, training, memberships, subscriptions and other film related services.

Change in Revenue: The department is not able to determine the impact the transferable tax credit would have on the general fund. Unknown are the number of productions that would apply for the transferable tax credit and the amount that qualified producers would spend in the state.