ACT NO. 2012- 212



2 <u>ENROLLED</u>, An Act,

Relating to the entertainment Industry Incentives Act of 2009; to amend Sections 41-7A-43 and 41-7A-45, as amended by Act 2011-695 of the 2011 Regular Session, and Section 41-7A-48 of the Code of Alabama 1975, to increase the maximum expended amounts beyond which rebates would not be allowed and increase the annual cap for incentives allowed during any fiscal year.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Sections 41-7A-43, as amended by Act 2011-695 of the 2011 Regular Session, and 41-7A-48 of the Code of Alabama 1975, are amended to read as follows:

"§41-7A-43.

"(a) Beginning January 1, 2009, a qualified production company shall be entitled to a rebate for production expenditures, as defined in subdivision (7) of Section 41-7A-41 41-7A-42, related to a state-certified production. The rebate shall be equal to 25 percent of the state-certified production's production expenditures excluding payroll paid to residents of Alabama plus 35 percent of all payroll paid to residents of Alabama for the state-certified production, provided the total production expenditures for a project must equal or exceed at least five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), but no rebate shall be available for

production expenditures incurred after the first ten twenty million dollars (\$10,000,000) (\$20,000,000) of production expenditures expended in Alabama on a state-certified production.

"(b) A single episode in a television series or miniseries may be considered a single production project for purposes of this section. However, in determining the total production expenditures incurred by a qualified production company on a qualified production, the total production expenditures of a television series or miniseries, whether a single season or multiple seasons thereof, to be filmed within a period of 12 consecutive months, each individual episode of which separately and independently meets the definition of a qualified production, may be aggregated to meet the monetary requirements set forth in subsection (a) as long as each individual episode within the series pertains to the same subject as the other episodes in the series.

"(c) A single commercial may be considered a single production project for purposes of this section. However, in determining the total production expenditures incurred by a qualified production company on a qualified production, the total production expenditures of a series of commercials to be filmed within a period of 12 consecutive months, each of which separately and independently meets the definition of a qualified production, may be aggregated to meet the monetary

requirements set forth in subsection (a) as long as each individual commercial within the series pertains to the same subject as the other commercials in the series and was planned as part of a series of commercials to be filmed within a period of 12 consecutive months at the time the qualified production company applied for the incentives.

"(d) A qualified production company shall be entitled to the rebate for production expenditures as provided in subsection (a) for a qualified project that is limited only to the production of a soundtrack used in a motion picture or documentary, provided that the production expenditures for the soundtrack project must equal or exceed at least fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), but no rebate shall be available for production expenditures incurred after the first three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) of production expenditures expended in Alabama.

"(e) A qualified production company shall be entitled to the rebate for production expenditures as provided in subsection (a) for a qualified project that is limited only to the production of a music video, provided that the production expenditures for the music video equal or exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), but no rebate shall be available for production expenditures incurred after the first two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) of production expenditures expended in Alabama.

"(f) The rebate described in this section may be applied to offset any income tax liability applicable to a qualified production company for the tax year in which production activity in Alabama on the state-certified production concludes.

"(g) The Commissioner of the Department of Revenue and the office shall promulgate rules necessary to administer this section.

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"A qualified production company that intends to expend in the aggregate one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) or more in connection with a qualified production in the State of Alabama within a consecutive 12-month period, upon making application for, meeting the requirements of, and receiving written certification of that designation from the office, shall be exempted from the payment of the state portion, but not the local portion of sales, use, and lodging taxes levied pursuant to Sections 40-23-2, 40-23-61, and 40-26-1, respectively, on production expenditures expended in Alabama in connection with the state-certified productions. The exemption provided by this section shall not be available for production expenditures incurred by a qualified production company after the first ten twenty million dollars (\$10,000,000) (\$20,000,000) of production expenditures expended in Alabama on a state-certified project.

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2009, the aggregate cap of incentives granted under this	
article shall not exceed five million dollars (\$5,000,000) f	for
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Section 2. This act shall become effective	
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Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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RESOLUTION AS REQUIRED IN SECTION C OF ACT NO. 81-889 WAS ADOPTED AND IS ATTACHED TO THE BILL, H.B. 343

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HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE NOTICE & PROOF IS ATTACHED AS REQUIRED IN THE GENERAL ACTS OF ALABAMA, 1975 ACT NO. TO THE BILL, H.B.

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DENAIR ACTION

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required in Section C of Act No. 81-889 hereby certify that the Resolution as was adopted and is attached to the Bill, HB \overrightarrow{A}

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PATRICK HARRIS,

Secretary

SENATE ACTION (Continued)

Committee:	Date:Rereferred	This, 20	This bill having been referred to the Commi Rules pursuant to Senate Rule 23 is reported Senate for assignment to the Committee on:	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE Senate Conferees	DATE: RECONSIDERED YEAS NA	DATE: INDEFINITELY POSTPONED YEAS NA	PASSED PASSED AS AMENDED YEAS NAYS And was ordered returned forthwith to the H PATRICK HA Sec