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An Encouraging Update On Bill 383 For The Mi. Film Incentive From Ken Droz!!!

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by Save the Michigan Film Tax Credit on Wednesday, June 8, 2011 at 11:40am

Political Update: Back from the Mackinac Policy Conf. last week. Had some great exchanges, with key principals (Kowall, R Richardville, others). As you know, Kowall's SB 383 passed, and is going to the House. (I guess starting in Tax Policy Committee, chaired by Judd Gilbert, plus friends Vicki Barnett, Rudy Hobbs & others). If passed, it's expected to supersede the Gov's guidelines now in place, and is a tax credit against the MI Bus. Tax, expiring on 12/31/11.

As public as it is, Kowall wishes to keep this process quiet and very stealth! As mentioned a new bill should be introduced, SOON, supplementing 383, to continue after Jan. 1, 2012 - with a film fund of approx. \$100 million. I'm not sure how, exactly, but it may also be a tax credit, which would be great. But bottom line - Kowall, and Sen. Maj. Leader Richardville are definite supporters of a viable film program, and working many political gears to get it thru the House, and a Snyder signature. A complicated process, encompassing some other issues too. So, plz stay positive, calm, but continually active...especially now with the House. (Supplemental talking points to follow.)

The above said, I must make a big plea. Our legal/lobbying counsel has been HUGELY helpful in all of this; and I've seen first hand, are more in the loop than other firms. Unfortunately, revenue has not yet matched costs. So, consider this a polite, but urgent request for any contributions possible, to the AMEND DON'T END COALITION. Appealing to vendors especially, who've benefited. I know this is exhausting...on all fronts. But it's the only means available to survive this bizarre storm. Thank you all. KD

You can make a check out for what ever amount you can spare to: Amend Don't End Coalition Let's put the Petal To The Metal and save along with letting our industry prosper!!! P.O. Box 51094, Livonia, MI 48151. If anyone forgets, you can always go to Amend-Dont-End.org.

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