

MAR 11 2022

---

# SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE STATE SUSTAINABILITY COORDINATOR TO WORK WITH THE STATE AND COUNTY FILM OFFICES TO DEVELOP PROTOCOLS TO ENSURE THAT FILM AND TELEVISION PRODUCTIONS IN HAWAII ARE UTILIZING SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES.

1 WHEREAS, the production of films and television programs  
2 continues to be a lucrative industry in Hawaii; and  
3

4 WHEREAS, in the 2019 calendar year, the film and television  
5 industry in Hawaii:  
6

7 (1) Spent an estimated \$405 million in production  
8 expenditures;  
9

10 (2) Significantly impacted local employment, by creating a  
11 total of 3,303 jobs; and  
12

13 (3) Generated an estimated:  
14

15 (A) \$707 million in economic impact; and  
16

17 (B) \$43.7 million in tax revenues; and  
18

19 WHEREAS, single use plastics are often used for food,  
20 beverages, and other essentials in accommodating large groups of  
21 performers and crew members working on film and television  
22 productions; and  
23

24 WHEREAS, there is a growing number of advocates from the  
25 global entertainment industry calling for a reduction and  
26 eventual ban on single-use plastics on the sets and offices of  
27 film and television productions; and  
28

29 WHEREAS, plastic is one Earth's most persistent pollutants  
30 and has a substantial global effect on climate change; and  
31

32 WHEREAS, according to a 2014 report by PGA Green, a  
33 nonprofit formed by the Producers Guild of America, the average  
34 cost to provide water on the set of a film or television



1 production for sixty days could fall from \$11,175 to about  
2 \$5,489 if reusable supplies, such as water coolers and reusable  
3 bottles, were used instead of single-use plastic water bottles;  
4 and  
5

6 WHEREAS, encouraging the film and television industry in  
7 Hawaii to shift to alternatives to single-use plastics is  
8 consistent with the goals of the State's 2050 Sustainability  
9 Plan; and  
10

11 WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of state and county film  
12 offices to issue permits and provide information to filmmakers  
13 and television producers working on film and television  
14 productions in Hawaii; and  
15

16 WHEREAS, providing information related to using single-use  
17 plastic alternatives and other sustainable practices to  
18 filmmakers and producers during the permitting process will  
19 promote sustainability across the growing film and television  
20 industry in Hawaii; now, therefore,  
21

22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first  
23 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2022,  
24 that the State Sustainability Coordinator is urged to work with  
25 state and county film offices to develop protocols to ensure  
26 that film and television productions in Hawaii are utilizing  
27 sustainable practices; and  
28

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
30 Resolution be transmitted to the State Sustainability  
31 Coordinator, Hawaii State Film Commissioner, and film  
32 commissioners at the Honolulu Film Office, Maui County Film  
33 Office, Hawaii Island Film Office, and Kauai Film Commission.  
34  
35  
36

OFFERED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

