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H.B. No. 374

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to use of state buildings and grounds by a television or
3 film production company.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 2165, Government Code, is
6 amended by adding Section 2165.008 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 2165.008. TEMPORARY USE OF STATE BUILDING OR GROUNDS
8 BY TELEVISION OR FILM PRODUCTION COMPANY. (a) In this section,
9 "production company" means a film production company, television
10 production company, or film and television production company.

11 (b) The commission shall allow a production company to use
12 any state building or grounds under the commission's charge and
13 control to produce a film or television program if the commission
14 determines that the use will not significantly interfere with the
15 conduct of state business. Except as provided by Subsection (d),
16 the commission may not charge the production company for using the
17 building or grounds.

18 (c) In making the determination required under Subsection
19 (b), the commission shall consult with each state agency or other
20 state governmental entity that occupies the building or uses the
21 grounds.

22 (d) The production company shall reimburse:

23 (1) a state agency or other state governmental entity
24 for any cost incurred by the agency or other entity as a result of

1 the use of a state building or grounds by the company; and
2 (2) the commission for the cost of repairing damage to
3 a state building or grounds resulting from use by the company.
4 (e) A state agency or other state governmental entity shall
5 notify the production company in writing of any cost subject to
6 reimbursement under Subsection (d). The production company shall
7 reimburse the cost not later than the 21st day after the date on
8 which it receives notice from the agency or other entity.

9 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.